

Smooth Muscle Actin (SMA)

Concentrated and Prediluted Monoclonal Antibody
902-001-102522

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Available Product Formats				
Format	Catalog Number	Description	Dilution	Diluent
Concentrate	ACR 001 A, B, C	0.1, 0.5, 1.0 mL	1:100	Van Gogh Yellow
Predilute	APR 001 AA	6.0 mL	Ready-to-use	N/A
Q Series— For Leica BOND-III	ALR 001 G7	7.0 mL	Ready-to-use	N/A

Intended Use:

For Research Use Only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

Summary and Explanation:

This antibody recognizes the alpha-smooth muscle isoform of actin. It shows no cross-reaction with actin from fibroblasts (beta- and gamma-cytoplasmic), striated muscle (alpha-sarcomeric), and myocardium (alpha-myocardial). Its epitope is composed of the acetyl group and the first 4 amino acids on the N-terminal end of the peptidic chain of alpha-smooth actin. Biocare's 1A4 MAb stains smooth muscle cells in vessel walls, gut wall, and myometrium. Studies have shown that myoepithelial cells in breast and salivary glands are also stained as they also contain actin. This MAb is reportedly useful for identifying tumors arising from smooth muscle and myoepithelial cells (1).

Principle of Procedure:

Antigen detection in tissues and cells is a multi-step immunohistochemical process. The initial step binds the primary antibody to its specific epitope. After labeling the antigen with a primary antibody, a one-step or two-step detection procedure can be applied. A one-step procedure will feature an enzyme labeled polymer that binds the primary antibody. A two-step procedure will feature a linker antibody added to bind to the primary antibody. An enzyme-labeled polymer is then added to bind the linker antibody. These detections of the bound antibodies are evidenced by a colorimetric reaction.

Source: Mouse monoclonal

Species Reactivity: Human, mouse, rat, cat, dog, sheep and horse

Clone: 1A4 (also known as asm-1)

Isotype: IgG2a /kappa

Protein Concentration: Call for lot specific Ig concentration.

Epitope/Antigen: Smooth Muscle Actin

Cellular Localization: Cytoplasmic

Positive Tissue Control: Blood vessels, leiomyoma or leiomyosarcoma

Known Applications:

Immunohistochemistry (formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded tissues)

Supplied As: Buffer with protein carrier and preservative

Storage and Stability:

Store at 2°C to 8°C. The product is stable to the expiration date printed on the label, when stored under these conditions. Do not use after expiration date. Diluted reagents should be used promptly; any remaining reagent should be stored at 2°C to 8°C.

Staining Protocol Recommendations (intelliPATH FLX® and manual use):

Peroxide Block: Block for 5 minutes with Peroxidized 1.

Pretreatment: N/A

Protein Block (Optional): Incubate for 5-10 minutes at RT with Background Punisher.

Primary Antibody: Incubate for 30 minutes at RT.

Probe: Incubate for 10 minutes at RT with a secondary probe.

Polymer: Incubate for 10-20 minutes at RT with a tertiary polymer.

Chromogen: Incubate for 5 minutes at RT with Biocare's DAB -OR- Incubate for 5-7 minutes at RT with Warp Red.

Counterstain: Counterstain with hematoxylin. Rinse with deionized water. Apply Tacha's Bluing Solution for 1 minute. Rinse with deionized water.

Technical Note:

This antibody, for intelliPATH FLX and manual use, has been standardized with MACH 4 detection system. Use TBS for washing steps.

Staining Protocol Recommendations (Q Series – For Leica BOND-III):

ALR001 is intended for use with the Leica BOND-III. Refer to the User Manual for specific instructions for use. Recommended protocol parameters are as follows:

Protocol Name: IHC Protocol F + Blocker

Detection: Bond Polymer Refine

HIER: 20 min with ER2

Peroxide Block: 5 min

Marker (Primary Antibody): 15 min

Post Primary: 8 min

Polymer: 8 min

Mixed DAB Refine: 10 min

Hematoxylin: 5 min

Limitations:

This product is provided for Research Use Only (RUO) and is not for use in diagnostic procedures. Suitability for specific applications may vary and it is the responsibility of the end user to determine the appropriate application for its use.

Precautions:

1. This antibody contains less than 0.1% sodium azide. Concentrations less than 0.1% are not reportable hazardous materials according to U.S. 29 CFR 1910.1200, OSHA Hazard communication and EC Directive 91/155/EC. Sodium azide (NaN₃) used as a preservative is toxic if ingested. Sodium azide may react with lead and copper plumbing to form highly explosive metal azides. Upon disposal, flush with large volumes of water to prevent azide build-up in plumbing. (Center for Disease Control, 1976, National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, 1976) (2)

2. Specimens, before and after fixation, and all materials exposed to them should be handled as if capable of transmitting infection and disposed of with proper precautions. Never pipette reagents by mouth and avoid contacting the skin and mucous membranes with reagents and specimens. If reagents or specimens come into contact with sensitive areas, wash with copious amounts of water. (3)

3. Microbial contamination of reagents may result in an increase in nonspecific staining.

4. Incubation times or temperatures other than those specified may give erroneous results. The user must validate any such change.

5. Do not use reagent after the expiration date printed on the vial.

6. The SDS is available upon request and is located at <http://biocare.net>.

Technical Support:

Contact Biocare's Technical Support at 1-800-542-2002 for questions regarding this product.

References:

1. Sheehan M, O'Briain DS. False-positive immunoreactivity with muscle-specific actins in non-Hodgkin's lymphomas. Arch Pathol Lab Med. 1995 Mar;119(3):225-8.

2. Center for Disease Control Manual. Guide: Safety Management, NO. CDC-22, Atlanta, GA. April 30, 1976 "Decontamination of Laboratory Sink Drains to Remove Azide Salts."

3. Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI). Protection of Laboratory Workers from Occupationally Acquired Infections; Approved Guideline-Fourth Edition CLSI document M29-A4 Wayne, PA 2014.

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