# Treponema pallidum (Spirochete)

Concentrated and Prediluted Polyclonal Antibody 901-135-052523



## **Available Product Formats**

Format	Catalog Number	Description	Dilution	Diluent
Concentrate	ACI 135 A, B, C	0.1, 0.5 mL, 1.0 mL	1:100-1:200	Da Vinci Green
Predilute	API 135 AA	6.0 mL	Ready-to-use	N/A
ONCORE Pro	OPAI 135 T60	60 tests	Ready-to-use	N/A

#### **Intended Use:**

For In Vitro Diagnostic Use

Treponema pallidum (Spirochete) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody that is intended for laboratory use in the qualitative identification of proteins of Treponema pallidum by immunohistochemistry (IHC) in formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded (FFPE) human tissues. The clinical interpretation of any staining or its absence should be complemented by morphological studies using proper controls and should be evaluated within the context of the patient's clinical history and other diagnostic tests by a qualified pathologist. **Summary and Explanation:** 

Treponema pallidum (Spirochete) is the causative agent of syphilis. In the past, localization of the spirochete agent was achieved with silver stains such as Steiner's and/or Warthin-Starry. Treponema pallidum can now be successfully localized with immunohistochemical techniques in formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded tissue. Studies have shown this offers a substantial advantage over silver-techniques in both sensitivity and specificity. The antibody consists of a rabbit purified IgG fraction and is highly specific for

spirochete (1).

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#### **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, an enzyme labeled polymer is added to bind to the primary antibody. The detection of the bound antibody is evidenced by a colorimetric reaction.

Source: Rabbit polyclonal

Species Reactivity: Human; others not tested

Clone: N/A Isotype: N/A

Protein Concentration: Lot specific Ig concentration is not available.

**Epitope/Antigen:** *Treponema pallidum* (Spirochete) **Cellular Localization:** Corkscrew bacteria **Positive Control:** Spirochete infected tissue

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.

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

**Peroxide Block:** Block for 5 minutes with Peroxidazed 1. **Pretreatment Solution (recommended):** Reveal

**Pretreatment Protocol:** 

Heat Retrieval Method:

Retrieve sections under pressure using Decloaking Chamber, followed by a wash in distilled water; alternatively, steam tissue sections for 45-60 minutes. Allow solution to cool for 10 minutes then wash in distilled water.

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

Primary Antibody: Incubate for 30 minutes at RT.

Probe: N/A

**Polymer:** Incubate for 30 minutes at RT with a secondary-conjugated polymer.

## <u>Protocol Recommendations (intelliPATH FLX and manual use)</u> <u>Cont'd:</u>

## 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.

# <u>Protocol Recommendations (ONCORE™ Pro Automated Slide</u> Staining System):

OPAI135 is intended for use with the ONCORE Pro. Refer to the User Manual for specific instructions for use. Protocol parameters in the Protocol Editor should be programmed as follows:

Protocol Name: T. pallidum Rb HRP & T. pallidum Rb AP

Protocol Template (Description): Rb HRP Template 1 & Rb AP

Template 1

**Dewaxing (DS Buffer Option):** DS2-50

Antigen Retrieval (AR Option): AR1, high pH; 101°C

**Block Option: Buffer** 

Reagent Name, Time, Temp.: T. pallidum Rb HRP & T. pallidum Rb AP, 30 min., 25°C

## Limitations:

The optimum antibody dilution and protocols for a specific application can vary. These include, but are not limited to fixation, heat-retrieval method, incubation times, tissue section thickness and detection kit used. Due to the superior sensitivity of these unique reagents, the recommended incubation times and titers listed are not applicable to other detection systems, as results may vary. The data sheet recommendations and protocols are based on exclusive use of Biocare products. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the investigator to determine optimal conditions.

#### Quality Control:

Refer to CLSI Quality Standards for Design and Implementation of Immunohistochemistry Assays; Approved Guideline-Second edition (I/LA28-A2) CLSI Wayne, PA USA (www.clsi.org). 2011

#### **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 (NaN $_3$ ) 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.

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

## Troubleshooting:

Follow the antibody specific protocol recommendations according to data sheet provided. If atypical results occur, contact Biocare's Technical Support

#### References:

- 1. Hoang MP, High WA, Molberg KH. Secondary syphilis: a histologic and immunohistochemical evaluation. J Cutan Pathol. 2004 Oct;31(9):595-9.
- 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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