

# Protease XXIV

Pretreatment Reagent Control Number: 901-PR960-082417

**Catalog Number:** PR960 KG15 **Description:** 15 ml, concentrate

## **Intended Use:**

For In Vitro Diagnostic Use

#### **Summary & Explanation:**

The staining pattern and intensity of signal for some IHC and ISH procedures can be improved by using an enzymatic pretreatment of the tissue sections. Digestive enzyme pretreatment is recommended prior to the addition of the primary antibody and/or probe. Always consult the protocol supplied with each primary antibody for optimal digestion conditions. It can also be used on an automated staining system.

# **Known Applications:**

Immunohistochemistry (formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded tissues)

#### Supplied As:

#### 15 ml Kit

- 1. Protease XXIV (lyophilized) (PR958G5) x 3 ea
- 2. Protease XXIV Reconstitution Buffer (PRB959G5) x 3 ea

# Materials and Reagents (Needed But Not Provided):

Microscope slides, positively charged

Desert Chamber\* (Drying oven)

Positive and negative tissue controls

Xylene (Could be replaced with a Xylene substitute\*)

Ethanol or reagent alcohol

Decloaking Chamber\* (Pressure cooker)

Deionized or distilled water

Wash buffer\*(TBS/PBS)

Pretreatment reagents\*

Avidin-Biotin Blocking Kit\*(Labeled streptavidin kits only)

Peroxidase block\*

Protein block\*

Primary antibody\*

Negative control reagents\*

Detection kits\*

Detection components\*

Chromogens\*

Hematoxylin\*

Bluing reagent\*

Mounting medium\*

\* Biocare Medical Products: Refer to a Biocare Medical catalog for further information regarding catalog numbers and ordering information. Certain reagents listed above are based on specific application and detection system used.

# Storage and Stability:

Store at 2°C to 8°C. Do not use after expiration date printed on vial. If reagents are stored under conditions other than those specified in the package insert, they must be verified by the user. Diluted reagents should be used promptly; any remaining reagent should be stored at 2°C to 8°C.

# **Protocol Recommendations**

# Manual or Automated Staining:

- 1. Deparaffinize tissues and hydrate to water. If necessary perform a hydrogen peroxide block, wash in water, and rinse in buffer. The tissue section is ready for protease digestion.
- 2. Reconstitute one bottle of Protease XXIV with one bottle of Protease XXIV Reconstitution Buffer.
- 3. Mix well by inversion. Product is stable for 5 days if stored at 2-8°C.
- 4. Apply reconstituted Protease to tissue section for 10 minutes at room temperature.
- 5. Rinse in two changes of buffer before applying primary antibody.

### **Performance Characteristics:**

The 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. These products are tools that can be used for interpretation of morphological findings in conjunction with other diagnostic tests and pertinent clinical data by a qualified pathologist.

## **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:**

This product is not classified as hazardous. The preservative used in this reagent is Proclin 950 and the concentration is less than 0.25%. Overexposure to Proclin 950 can cause skin and eye irritation and irritation to mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract. The concentration of Proclin 950 in this product does not meet the OSHA criteria for a hazardous substance. Wear disposable gloves when handling reagents.

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 in contact with sensitive areas, wash with copious amounts of water. Microbial contamination of reagents may result in an increase in nonspecific staining. Incubation times or temperatures other than those specified may give erroneous results. The user must validate any such change. The MSDS is available upon request and is located at http://biocare. net/support/msds/.

Consult OSHA, federal, state or local regulations for disposal of any toxic substances. Proclin<sup>TM</sup> is a trademark of Rohm and Haas Company, or of its subsidiaries or affiliates

# **Troubleshooting:**

Follow the antibody specific protocol recommendations according to data sheet provided. If atypical results occur, contact Biocare's Technical Support at 1-800-542-2002.

## Limitations & Warranty:

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