



monoclonal antibody against human PAI-1

Description

Plasminogen Activator Inhibitor Type-1 (PAI-1), a primary regulator of fibrinolysis, has been found in a number of different tissues, and cell types including macrophages/monocytes, hepatocytes, vascular endothelia, adipose tissue of the heart and lungs, and in platelets. The clinical interest in measuring PAI-1 in plasma is based on case studies in which levels of this serine protease inhibitor are associated with various thrombotic and fibrinolytic complications. Deficiency of PAI-1 activity is associated with bleeding disorders wherein the routine haemostatic screening tests are normal. High levels of PAI-1 activity are found in patients suffering from myocardial infarction, haemolytic uremic syndrome, and stroke. Levels of PAI-1 in the plasma of pregnant women are also correlated with gestational diabetes, reduced placental blood flow and preeclampsia. Patients with cirrhosis may also have elevated levels of PAI-1.

REF 3785 is a murine IgG_{1k} monoclonal antibody monoclonal antibody recognizing human PAI-1. It reacts with both active and latent PAI-1, and tPA/PAI-1 complexes, while demonstrating no reactivity with human PAI-2 or human PAI-3. REF 3785 has not been epitope mapped.¹

Hazards and Precautions

For Reseach Use Only



Warning

Hazard Statement:
Precautionary Statements:
P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.
P280 Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.
P305 + P351 + P338 If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
P337 + P313. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

Preparation

REF 3785 is purified from mouse ascites fluid via ammonium sulphate precipitation followed by Protein G affinity chromatography. Active PAI-1 secreted by the human melanoma cell line MJZJ was used as the immunizing antigen.

Presentation

Screw-capped glass vial containing 0.5 mg of purified IgG_{1k} lyophilized from a 0.5 mL solution of 0.15M Phosphate Buffered Saline, with 0.02% sodium azide added.

Reconstitution

Add 0.5 mL of filtered deionized or sterile water to generate a 1.0 mg/mL stock solution.

Storage

Store lyophilized antibody at $2^{\circ}-8^{\circ}$ C. Aliquot and store reconstituted antibody at -20° C or colder.

Applications

Immunohistochemistry

At concentrations ranging from 10-50 µg/mL, REF 3785 has reliably stained PAI-1 in both frozen and formalin-fixed, paraffin embedded tissue sections of human breast cancer, cardiac vascular tissue, coronary artery, gastric epithelia, lung and epidermal (normal and scar) tissue.²⁻¹⁰

Western blot

REF 3785 is useful for Western blots of human PAI-1. An antibody concentration of 5 μ g/mL is recommended.¹¹

Inhibition of PAI-1 Activity

While in-house studies have demonstrated an ability for REF 3785 to inhibit the activity of a mutant human PAI-1 in a direct tPA activity assay, no inhibitory effect was found in a tPA/plasmin generation based-chromogenic assay.¹²

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Definition of Symbols



Immunohistochemical Staining of PAI-1 in Paraffin Embedded Tissue Sections Using Murine Monoclonal Antibody No. 3785

A) Dewaxing

1. Dewax tissue section in a glass staining dish with xylene for 10 minutes. Repeat in a second dish.

B) Rehydration and Blocking

- 2. Block endogenous peroxidase activity with 0.3% H₂O₂ in methanol for 10 minutes.
- 3. Rehydrate tissue section with successive dilutions of ethanol at room temperature for 10 minutes. Start with 100% ethanol and dilute to 95%, 75%, 50% and finally 25% with PBS.
- 4. Block tissue section with 10% normal goat serum at 37°C for 30 minutes. Wash tissue 3 times with PBS.

C) Staining

- 5. Incubate tissue section with MAb No. 3785, 40 µg/mL (1:25 dilution) in assay solution at 37°C for 60 minutes.
- 6. Wash with assay solution 3 times, 5 minutes each wash.
- 7. Incubate with HRP conjugated goat anti-mouse IgG at 37°C for 30 minutes.
- 8. Wash with assay solution 3 times, 5 minutes each wash.
- 9. Incubate tissue sections with substrate solution for 2-10 minutes. Check sections after 2 minutes. Do not overdevelop.
- 10. Wash with distilled water 1-3 times, 5 minutes each wash.
- 11. Counterstain if desired, clear and mount in appropriate medium.

Assay Solution:	0.15M PBS, 1% BSA, 0.3% Tween 20, pH 7.4
Blocking Solution:	10% Normal Goat Serum in Assay Solution
Substrate Solution:	3, 3' - Diaminobenzidine, dissolved in 50 mM Tris, pH 7.4 to 1 mg/mL.
	Add an equal amount of 0.03% H ₂ O ₂ immediately prior to use.

Procedural Notes

- <u>Optional</u> Increased sensitivity may be obtained by treating tissue section with 0.1% Trypsin in PBS at 37°C for 30 minutes, followed by PBS wash, 3 times, 5 minutes each. This treatment is performed between steps 3 and 4 (rehydration and preimmune serum block).
- 2. Do not include sodium azide as an anti-bacterial agent in the perparation of any solution used with peroxidase staining procedures. Azide inhibits peroxidase activity.
- 3. Diaminobenzidine is a suspected carcinogen. Handle with caution, wear disposable gloves.
- 4. All incubations are performed at 37°C. Do not let tissue sections dry at any time during paraffin removal or staining procedure.
- 5. Goat sera for blocking and goat secondary antibody are suggested. Any preimmune sera with corresponding species second antibody can be used.