Pan Melanoma + S100 (Tyrosinase + MART-1 + S100)
Prediluted Multiplex Cocktail (4-Step)
Control Number: 901-213DS-022210

Catalog Number: PPM 213 DS AA, H
Description: 6.0, 25 ml, prediluted
Dilution: Ready-to-use
Diluent: N/A

Intended Use:
For In Vitro Diagnostic Use

Summary and Explanation:
Tyrosinase is a key enzyme involved in the initial stages of melanin biosynthesis. Studies have shown Tyrosinase to be a more sensitive marker when compared to HMB45 and MART-1. It has also shown to label a higher percentage of desmoplastic melanomas than HMB45.

MART-1 Cocktail (M2-7C10 + M2-9E3) recognizes a protein of 18kDa, identified as MART-1 (Melanoma Antigen Recognized by T cells 1). MART-1 is a useful addition to melanoma panels as it is apparently specific for melanocytic lesions. Studies have also shown that MART-1 is more sensitive than HMB45 when labeling metastatic melanomas. This MART-1 cocktail does not stain steroid tumors unlike Melan A [103].

S100 stains Schwannomas, ependymomas, astrogiomas, almost all benign and malignant melanomas and their metastases. S100 protein is also expressed in the antigen presenting cells such as the Langerhans cells in skin and interdigitating reticulum cells in the paracortex of lymph nodes.

Principle of Multiplex Staining:
A Multiplex IHC stain can be accomplished in four major steps. The initial step consists of an antibody cocktail with at least one mouse and one rabbit antibody. This cocktail is applied to the tissue and will bind with two or more target antigens. A multiplex detection cocktail of horseradish peroxidase (HRP) and alkaline phosphatase (AP) conjugated secondary antibodies is applied. The third step consists of the addition of DAB-Substrate that binds to the HRP and produces a brown chromogenic reaction product. The fourth step consists of a Fast Red-Substrate that binds to the AP and produces a red chromogenic reaction product.

Source: Mouse monoclonal and Rabbit polyclonal
Species Reactivity: Human; others not tested.
Clone: T311 + M2-7C10 + M2-9E3+N/A
Isotype: IgG2α+ IgG2β/kappa + IgG2β/kappa + N/A
Epitope/Antigen: Tyrosinase, MART-1, S100 protein

Cellular Localization:
Tyrosinase: (cytoplasmic); brown, MART-1: (cytoplasmic); brown, S100: (nuclear/cytoplasmic); red

Positive Control: Melanoma
Normal Tissue: Skin, nevus
Abnormal Tissue: Melanoma

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. 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.

Peroxide Block:
Block for 5 minutes with BIOCARE's PEROXIDAZED 1.

Pretreatment Solution (recommended): Diva or Reveal

Pretreatment Protocol:
Heat Retrieval Method:
Retrieve sections under pressure using BIOCARE's 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.

Primary Antibody:
Incubate for 30-60 minutes at RT.

Double Stain Detection:
Incubate for 30 minutes at RT using BIOCARE's MACH 2 Double Stain 2.

Chromogen (1): Incubate for 5 minutes at RT when using BIOCARE's Betazoid DAB.

Chromogen (2):
Incubate for 10-20 minutes at RT with BIOCARE's Vulcan Fast Red.

Counterstain:
Rinse with deionized water. Incubate for 30-60 seconds with Hematoxylin. Rinse with deionized water. Apply Tacha's Bluing solution for 1 minute.

Technical Note:
This antibody has been standardized with BIOCARE's MACH 2 Double Stain 2. It can also be used on an automated staining system. Use TBS buffer for washing steps.

Performance Characteristics:
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 titer lists 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 NCCLS Quality Assurance for Immunocytochemistry approved guidelines, December 1999 MM4-A Vol.19 No.26 for more information about Tissue Controls.

Precautions:
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)

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.

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.
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**References:**

1. Shidham VB et al., Improved immunohistochemical evaluation of micrometastases in sentinel lymph nodes of cutaneous melanoma with 'MCW melanoma cocktail'--a mixture of monoclonal antibodies to MART-1, Melan-A, and tyrosinase. BMC Clin Pathol. 2007 Mar 7;7:2.

