

Novocastra™ Ready-to-Use Mouse Monoclonal Antibody Placental Alkaline Phosphatase

Product Code: RTU-PLAP-8A9

Intended Use	FOR RESEARCH USE ONLY.
Specificity	Human placental alkaline phosphatase (PLAP). Immunohistochemical evidence (in house and published) supports reactivity with PLAP and also with PLAP-like enzyme.
Clone	8A9
Ig Class	IgG1, kappa
Antigen Used for Immunizations	Purified human placental alkaline phosphatase.
Hybridoma Partner	Mouse myeloma (p3-NS1-Ag4-1).
Preparation	Tissue culture supernatant diluted in 5% horse serum in PBS containing 12 mM sodium azide. Volume as indicated on vial label.
Effective on Frozen Tissue	Yes
Effective on Paraffin Wax Embedded Tissue	Yes (using the high temperature antigen unmasking technique: see overleaf).
Recommendations on Use	Immunohistochemistry: Typical working dilution: neat. 15 minutes primary antibody incubation at 25 °C when used in conjunction with the Novostain Universal Detection Kit (Ready to Use), code NCL-RTU-D. Recommendations on use will differ if other detection systems are used eg Standard ABC technique. Western Blotting: Not recommended. Not recommended for use on Ventana automated staining systems (Ventana Medical Systems Inc., USA).
Positive Controls	Immunohistochemistry: Placenta.
Staining Pattern	Membrane.
Storage and Stability	Store ready-to-use prediluted liquid antibody at 4 °C. Return to 4 °C immediately after use. Under these conditions, there is no significant loss in product performance up to the expiry date indicated on the vial label.
General Overview	Placental alkaline phosphatase (PLAP) is a membrane-associated sialoglycoprotein enzyme normally present at high concentration in syncytiotrophoblasts within the placenta during the third trimester of gestation. The expression of PLAP was originally thought to be restricted to term placenta but a human PLAP-like variant has been described which shares more than 85 per cent homology with PLAP itself. This high degree of homology between PLAP and PLAP-like protein together with cross-reacting antibodies has led to some confusion of the distribution of PLAP and PLAP-like protein in various tissues. PLAP is expressed only in normal term placenta, endocervix and fallopian tube. PLAP-like enzyme is predominantly found in normal fetal and neonatal testis, and in thymus.
General References	Shigenari A, Ando A, Baba T, et al.. <i>Cancer Research</i> . 58: 5079–5082 (1998). Hamilton-Dutoit S J, Lou H and Pallesen G. <i>APMIS</i> . 98: 797–811 (1990). Burke A P and Mostofi F K. <i>Human Pathology</i> . 19: 663–670 (1988). Durbin H, Tucker D F, Milligan E M, et al.. <i>International Journal of Cancer: Supplement 2</i> : 50–58 (1988). Wick M R, Swanson P E and Manivel J C. <i>Human Pathology</i> . 18: 946–954 (1987). Uchida T, Shimoda T, Miyata H, et al.. <i>Cancer</i> . 48: 1455–1462 (1981).



Instructions for Use

High Temperature Antigen Unmasking Technique for Immunohistochemical Demonstration on Paraffin Sections

1. Cut and mount sections on slides coated with a suitable tissue adhesive.
2. Deparaffinize sections and rehydrate to distilled water.
3. Place sections in 0.5% hydrogen peroxide/methanol for 10 minutes (or use other appropriate endogenous peroxidase blocking procedure). Wash sections in tap water.
4. Heat 1500 mL of the recommended unmasking solution (0.01 M citrate buffer, pH 6.0 (or Epitope Retrieval Solution, RE7113) unless otherwise indicated overleaf) until boiling in a stainless steel pressure cooker. Cover but do not lock lid.
5. Position slides into metal staining racks (do not place slides close together as uneven staining may occur) and lower into pressure cooker ensuring slides are completely immersed in unmasking solution. Lock lid.
6. When the pressure cooker reaches operating temperature and pressure (after about 5 minutes) start a timer for 1 minute (unless otherwise indicated on the data sheet).
7. When the timer rings, remove pressure cooker from heat source and run under cold water with lid on. **DO NOT OPEN LID UNTIL THE INDICATORS SHOW THAT PRESSURE HAS BEEN RELEASED.** Open lid, remove slides and place immediately into a bath of tap water.
8. Wash sections in TBS* buffer (pH 7.6) for 1 x 5 minutes.
9. Place sections in diluted normal serum (or RTU Normal Horse Serum) for 10 minutes.
10. Incubate sections with primary antibody. Use Antibody Diluent RE7133 (where available).
11. Wash in TBS buffer for 2 x 5 minutes.
12. Incubate sections in an appropriate biotinylated secondary antibody.
13. Wash in TBS buffer for 2 x 5 minutes.
14. Incubate slides in ABC reagent (or RTU streptavidin/peroxidase complex).
15. Wash in TBS buffer for 2 x 5 minutes.
16. Incubate slides in DAB or other suitable peroxidase substrate.
17. Wash thoroughly in running tap water.
18. Counterstain with hematoxylin (if required), dehydrate and mount.

Solutions

0.01 M CITRATE BUFFER (pH 6.0) or RE7113 (where available).

Add 3.84 g of citric acid (anhydrous) to 1.8 L of distilled water. Adjust to pH 6.0 using concentrated NaOH. Make up to 2 L with distilled water.

1 mM EDTA (pH 8.0) or RE7116 (where available).

Add 0.37 g of EDTA (SIGMA product code E-5134) to 1 litre of distilled water. Adjust pH to 8.0 using 1.0 M NaOH.

20 mM TRIS/ 0.65 mM EDTA/ 0.005% TWEEN (pH 9.0) or RE7119 (where available).

Dissolve 14.4 g Tris (BDH product code 271197K) and 1.44 g EDTA (SIGMA product code E-5134) to 0.55 L of distilled water. Adjust pH to 9.0 with 1 M HCl and add 0.3 mL Tween 20 (SIGMA product code P-1379). Make up to 0.6 L with distilled water. This is a 10x concentrate which should be diluted with distilled water as required (eg 150 mL diluted with 1350 mL of distilled water).

** In most applications, 10 mM phosphate, 0.15 M NaCl, pH 7.6 (PBS) can be used instead of 50 mM Tris, 0.15 M NaCl, pH 7.6 (TBS).*

Safety Note

To ensure the correct and safe use of your pressure cooker, PLEASE READ MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS.