

#### VitroView<sup>TM</sup> Anti-Mouse Immunofluorescenc Staining Kit (Red, 50-100 slides)

## SKU#: VB-6101

### **Description:**

Immunofluorescence (IF) is a vital immunochemical technique enabling the detection and precise localization of numerous antigens across diverse tissue types and various cell preparations. The VitroView<sup>TM</sup> Anti-Mouse Immunofluorescence Staining Kit, a reliable and user-friendly solution designed for use with primary antibodies specifically raised in mice.

The advantages of this kit include:

1) High sensitivity; 2) Low background; 3) Reduction of steps and time; 4) Simplified multiple labeling.

#### Specifications

Unit Size	1 kit
Target Species	Mouse
Conjugates and Color of	FL594 Conjugated Goat anti Mouse IgG (Red)
Fluorescence	
Excitation/Emission for FL594 dye	590/617 nm
Host Species	Goat
Application	Immunofluorescence staining for detecting a primary antibody made in mouse.

#### **Kit Contents:**

- RTU Normal Goat Serum -----10ml
- FL594 Conjugated Goat anti Mouse IgG (1mg/ml)-----50µl
- Aqueous Anti-fade Mounting Medium with Dapi-----1.5 ml×2

#### Storage

Store at 2-8 °C.

### **Reagents and Material Required but Not Provided**

- Xylene and ethanol for FFPE samples
- Distilled or deionized water
- 10 mM phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), pH 7.4
- Triton X-100
- Mini PAP Pen
- Primary antibody
- Antibody Dilution Buffer (SKU#: VB-6002)
- BSA

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## Protocol

## 1. Preparation of Slides

## A. Cell Lines

- Grow cultured cells on chamber slides, sterile glass cover slips or slides overnight at 37°C.
- Briefly wash with PBS.
- Choose one of the following fixation methods (To achieve optimal results, it may be necessary to optimize the fixation methods).
  - a. Fix in 10% formalin in PBS for 20 minutes (keep wet).
  - b. Immerse in ice-cold methanol for 10 minutes and allow to air dry.
  - c. Immerse in ice-cold acetone for 10 minutes and allow to air dry.
- Wash slides in PBS.

## **B. Frozen Sections**

- Snap-freeze fresh tissues in liquid nitrogen or isopentane pre-cooled in liquid nitrogen, then embed them in OCT compound in cryomolds. Store the frozen tissue block at -80°C until ready for sectioning.
- Before sectioning, equilibrate the frozen tissue block to the temperature of the cryotome cryostat (e.g., -20°C).
- Section the frozen tissue block into the desired thickness (typically 5-10 μm) using the cryotome.
- Place the tissue sections onto glass slides suitable for immunohistochemistry (e.g., Superfrost).
- Store sections in a sealed slide box at -80°C for later use.
- Before staining, allow slides to warm to room temperature for 30 minutes and then fix in ice-cold acetone or ice-cold methanol for 10 minutes. Air dry for 30 minutes.
- Wash in PBS.

## C. Paraffin Sections

- Deparaffinize sections in xylene, 3×5 minutes.
- Hydrate with 100% ethanol, 2×2 minutes.
- Hydrate with 95% ethanol, 2×2 minutes.
- Rinse in distilled water.
- Follow the required pretreatment procedure.

### 2. Antigen Retrieval

Most formalin-fixed tissues require antigen retrieval before proceeding with immunohistochemical staining. Common methods include heat-mediated and enzymatic antigen retrievals. Choose the appropriate method:

- a. For Citrate: Bring slides to a boil in 10 mM sodium citrate buffer, pH 6.0, and maintain at a sub-boiling temperature for 10 minutes. Cool slides on the benchtop for 30 minutes.
- b. For EDTA: Bring slides to a boil in 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0, and follow with 15 minutes at a sub-boiling temperature. No cooling is necessary.
- c. For TE: Bring slides to a boil in 10 mM TE/1 mM EDTA, pH 9.0, and then maintain at a sub-boiling temperature for 18 minutes. Cool at room temperature for 30 minutes.
- d. For Pepsin: Digest for 10 minutes at 37°C.

Note: Do not use this pretreatment with frozen sections or cultured cells that are not paraffinembedded.

# 3. Staining Procedure

- a. Rinse sections in PBS-Triton X-100 (0.025%) for two 2-minute cycles.
- b. Serum Blocking: Incubate sections with 2-4 drops of ready-to-use (RTU) normal goat serum for 30 minutes to block non-specific immunoglobulin binding.
- c. Primary Antibody: Incubate sections with primary mouse antibody at the appropriate dilution in antibody dilution buffer (SKU# #: VB-6002) for 1-2 hours at room temperature or overnight at 2-8°C. Rinse in PBS.
- d. Detection: Incubate sections with FL594-conjugated Goat anti-Mouse IgG secondary antibody at suitable dilutions (ranging from 1/100 to 1/500) in 0.1% BSA in PBS for 1 hour at room temperature while keeping the samples in the dark.
- e. Rinse in PBS for three 2-minute cycles.
- f. Counterstaining and mount cover slip with 20-30µl of aqueous anti-fade mounting medium with DAPI. Seal cover slip with nail polish to prevent drying and movement.
- g. Visualize and capture the signal using a fluorescence microscope equipped with excitation wavelength filters of 594 nm.
- h. Store slides in the dark at 2-8°C.

Note: This product is intended for research purposes only. This product is <u>not</u> intended to be used for therapeutic or diagnostic purposes in humans or animals.

Precautions: Handle with care. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not ingest. Wear gloves.