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N-Histofine® Polymer Detection Systems

NICHIREI BIOSCIENCES INC.



About us

Nichirei Corporation had started bioscience business as a manufacture of Anti-Leukocytes Monoclonal antibodies (CD Antibodies) in 1983.

Nichirei Biosciences Inc. (hereinafter called "Nichirei Bio") was reorganized on April 1, 2005 succeeding Nichirei's bioscience business adopting the holding company system by its parent company, Nichirei Corporation. Nichirei Bio's mission is to contribute to the development of the global Bio-industries including medical, cosmetic and healthcare business as a specialized company by offering high-quality products and services based on its advanced technology.

Nichirei Bio's business field

1. IHC (Immunohistochemistory) products (*N*-Histofine[®])

Nichirei Bio has developed and improved patented state-of-the-art technology, UIP (Universal Immuo-enzyme Polymer) method. Nichirei Bio manufactures and supplies **M**-Histofine[®] products including CE marked products adopted the UIP technology. Also for domestic use, Nichirei Bio manufactures and supplies several IVD products for IHC.

2. Diagnostic products (EIA and Lateral Flow Assay kits)

Nichirei Bio develops, manufactures and distributes several IVD products immuno-reaction applied, especially POC (Point of Care) for rapid diagnostics.

3. Cell-biology products

Nichirei Bio provides animal sera and media related to cell culture to the customers both in the academic and industrial field.

4. Functional Materials

Nichirei Bio develops functional materials (powder and extract) from natural raw materials such as Acerola and Camu Camu fruits procured by consolidated subsidiaries and affiliates of the Nichirei group. Nichirei Bio supplies such materials to cosmetics and health food manufacturers.

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Two-Step Polymer Detection System

M-Histofine[®] High Stain[™] HRP (MULTI)

M-Histofine[®] High Stain[™] HRP (MULTI) is the Two-Step Polymer Detection System for IHC staining providing more amplified staining intensity compared with conventional One-step polymer detection system.

This system is applicable to *both of Mouse and Rabbit primary antibodies* and is for formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue sections.

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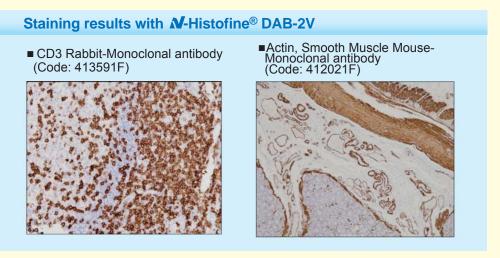
DAB Substrate Kit

№-Histofine[®] DAB-2V

№-Histofine[®] DAB-2V is used as chromogen-substrate reagents for peroxidase-based immunohistochemical staining as well. DAB produces brown precipitates at the site of the target antigen or nucleic acid reacting with peroxidase.

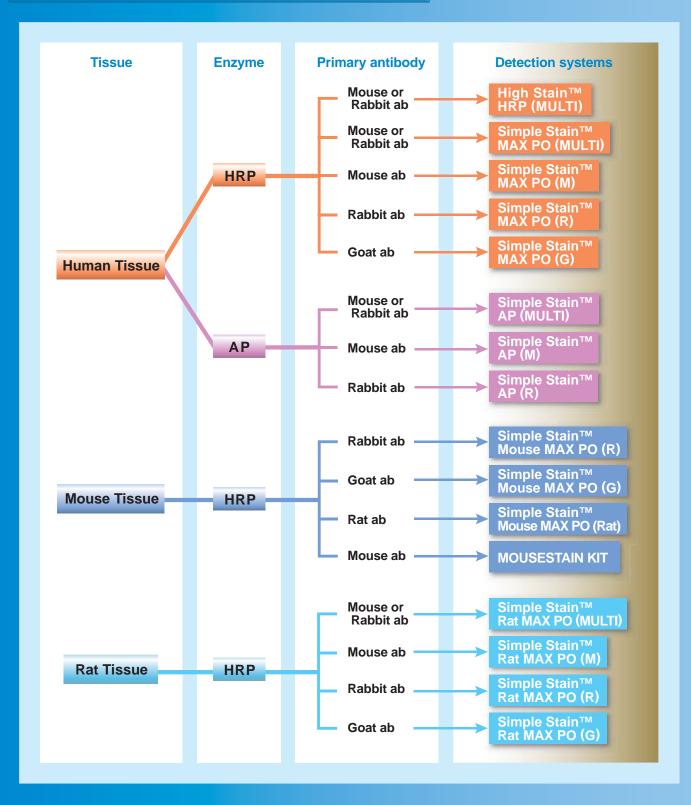
Higher sensitivity and simplified preparation are available in comparison with prior **N**-Histofine[®] DAB-3S kit.

For details, see Page 15



▲-Histofine [®] DAB-2V	425312F	425314F
Components:	500 tests	1,500 tests
Reagent A: DAB solution concentrate Reagent B: DAB buffer Tube Chip (For Reagent B) Dropping bottle	1.2 ml x2 30 ml x2 x1 x1 x1 x1	1.2 ml x6 30 ml x6 x1 x1 x1

M-Histofine[®] series application on IHC staining



Products

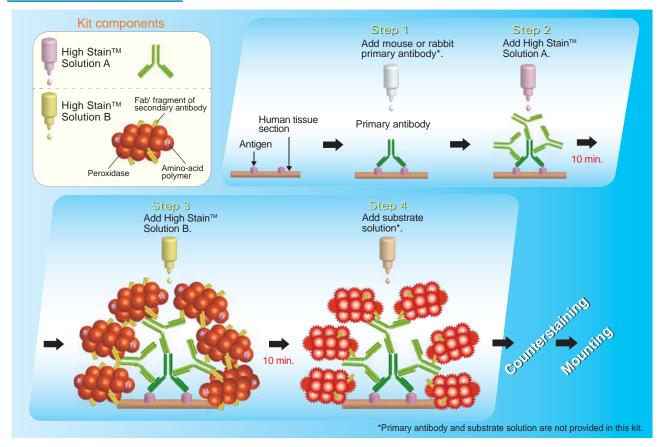
Detection system for Human tissue sections **N**-Histofine[®] High Stain[™] HRP (MULTI)

This product adopted the UIP (Universal Immuno-enzyme Polymer) method, Nichirei Bio's patented technology.

Feature

N-Histofine[®] High Stain[™] HRP (MULTI) is the *Two-Step Polymer Detection System* for IHC staining providing more amplified staining intensity compared with conventional One-step polymer detection system. This system is applicable to both of *Mouse and Rabbit* primary antibodies and is for formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue sections. It is the labeled polymer prepared by combining amino acid polymers with multiple molecules of peroxidase (PO) and secondary antibody which is reduced to Fab' fragment. To eliminate background staining, solid-phase adsorption of secondary antibody is conducted with human serum.

Principle & Procedure



Advantages

- 1. High intensity of staining.
- 2. Applicable to both of Mouse and Rabbit primary antibodies.
- 3. Low expression of antigen is detectable.
- 4. No background due to unaffected by endogenous biotin (Page 18).
- 5. Shortened reaction time.
- 6. Saving primary antibodies.

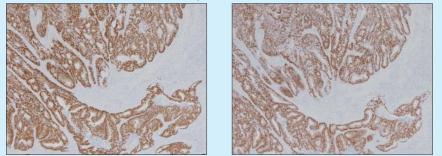


Comparison of Staining Results

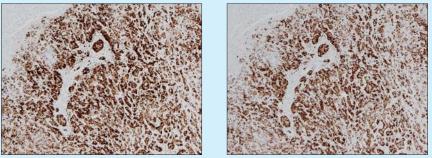
M-Histofine[®] High Stain[™] HRP (MULTI)

Competitive Product

CDX-2 Rabbit-Monoclonal antibody (Code: 418011F)



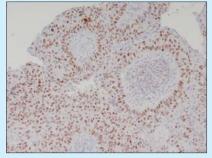
Human colon cancer stained with **№**-Histofine[®] High Stain[™] HRP (MULTI) and DAB chromogen. Positive reaction is observed in nuclei of sporadic tumor cells.

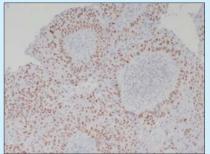


Cyclin D1 Rabbit-Monoclonal antibody (Clone: SP4) (Code: 413521F)

Human breast cancer (metastasis to liver) stained with **M**-Histofine[®] High Stain[™] HRP (MULTI) and DAB chromogen. Positive reaction is observed in nuclei of sporadic tumor cells.

■p40 Rabbit-Polyclonal antibody (Code: 418101F)





Human squamous cell cancer (lung) stained with *N*-Histofine[®] High Stain[™] HRP (MULTI) and DAB chromogen. Positive reaction is observed in nuclei of tumor cells.

Product Detection system.

Liquid. Ready to					
Product Name	Tests	Volume	Code	For use with	
<i>M</i> -Histofine [®] High Stain [™] HRP (MULTI)	170	17ml each	414481F	Mouse and Rabbit	
High Stain™ Solution A High Stain™ Solution B	1,000	17ml x 6 each	414483F	primary antibodies	

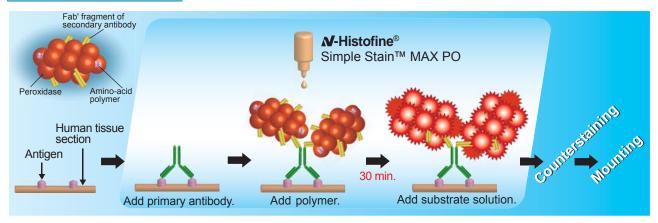
Detection system for Human tissue sections N-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO

This product adopted the UIP (Universal Immuno-enzyme Polymer) method, Nichirei Bio's patented technology.

Feature

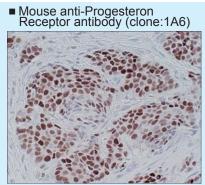
N-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO is a detection reagent designed specifically to allow immunohistochemical staining on formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded human tissue sections. It is the labeled polymer prepared by combining amino acid polymers with multiple molecules of peroxidase (PO) and secondary antibody which is reduced to Fab' fragment. To eliminate background staining, solid-phase adsorption of secondary antibody is conducted with human serum.

Principle & Procedure



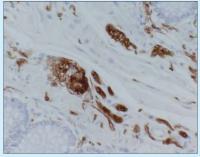
Advantages

- *Page 18 Simplified staining steps*.
- 2. High sensitivity*
- 3. No background due to unaffected by endogenous biotin*.
- 4. Ready to use.



breast cancer (treated with Human hiah temperature epitope unmasking method) stained with **N**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO(M) and DAB chromogen. Nuclear staining of breast cancer cells is observed.

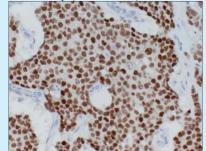
■Rabbit anti-S-100 protein antibody



Human colon stained with **M**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO(R) and DAB chromogen. Cytoplasmic staining of nerve cells is observed.

Staining Results

Mouse anti-Estrogen Receptor antibody (clone: 1D5)



Human breast cancer (treated with high temperature epitope unmasking method) stained with M-Histofine[®] Simple Stain™ MAX PO (MULTI) and DAB chromogen. Nuclear staining of breast cancer cells is observed.

Detection systems. Product

Detection systems. Liquid. Ready to us						
Product Name	For (slides)	Volume	Code	For use with	Mark in EU	
	170	17ml x 1	414151F	Mouse and rabbit		
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (MULTI)	500	17ml x 3	414152F	primary antibodies		
•	1500	17ml x 9	414154F	prindry antibodies		
	170	17ml x 1	414131F	Mouse		
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (M)	500	17ml x 3	414132F	primary antibody	(–	
•	1500	17ml x 9	414134F	primary antibody		
	170	17ml x 1	414141F	Rabbit		
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (R)	500	17ml x 3	414142F	primary antibody		
	1500	17ml x 9	414144F	prindry anabody		
N Llistofine® Simple StainTM MAX DO (C)	170	17ml x 1	414161F	Goat		
N -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (G)	500	17ml x 3	414162F	primary antibody]	

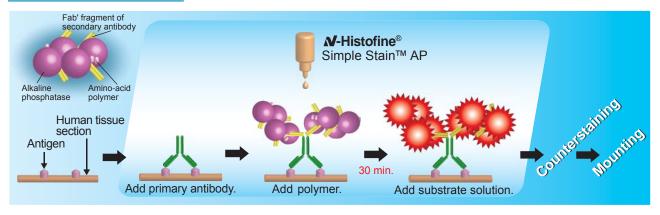
Detection system for Human tissue sections N-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP

This product adopted the UIP (Universal Immuno-enzyme Polymer) method, Nichirei Bio's patented technology.

Feature

M-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP is a detection reagent designed specifically to allow immunohistochemical staining on formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded human tissue sections. It is the labeled polymer prepared by combining amino acid polymer with alkaline phosphatase (AP) and secondary antibody which is reduced to Fab' fragment. To eliminate background staining, solid-phase adsorption of secondary antibody is conducted with human serum.

Principle & Procedure



Advantages

1. Simplified staining steps*.

- 2. High sensitivity*
- 3. No background due to unaffected by endogenous biotin*.

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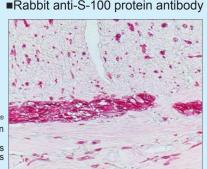
4. Ready to use.



Human stomach stained with $\pmb{M}\text{-Histofine}^{\circledast}$ Simple Stain $^{\texttt{M}}$ AP (M) and New fuchsin chromogen. Intense staining of smooth muscle in the walls of blood vessel and muscularis mucosae is observed.

plexus is observed.

Human colon stained with $\pmb{N}\text{-Histofine}^{\circledast}$ Simple Stain $^{\texttt{M}}$ AP (R) and New fuchsin chromogen. Cytoplasmic staining of nerve cells scattered in smooth muscle and Auerbach's



Product Detection systems.

Liquid. Ready to use						
Product Name	For (slides)	Volume	Code	For use with		
M Histofino® Simple StainTM AD (MUUTI)	170	17ml x 1	414261F	Mouse and rabbit		
N -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] AP (MULTI)	500	17ml x 3	414262F	primary antibodies		
N Histofine® Simple StainTM AD (M)	170	17ml x 1	414241F	Mouse		
N -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] AP (M)	500	17ml x 3	414242F	primary antibody		
M-Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] AP (R)	170	17ml x 1	414251F	Rabbit		
	500	17ml x 3	414252F	primary antibody		

Staining Results

Rabbit anti-S-100 protein antibody

Detection system for Human tissue sections N-Histofine[®] ALK Detection KIT

For research use only

Feature

N-Histofine[®] ALK Detection Kit detects anaplastic lymphoma kinase (ALK) proteins in tumor cells in paraffin-embedded tissue specimens by IHC staining and determines presence of such protein expression.

Advantage

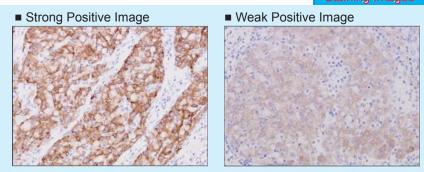
This kit is applicable to low expression of ALK fusion proteins as well.

Background

The *ALK* gene was identified in 1994 as a gene fused to the nucleophosmin (*NPM*) gene in anaplastic large-cell lymphoma (ALCL) with t(2;5)(p23;q35) translocation. This gene is located at 2p23 and encodes for a receptor-type tyrosine kinase, which belongs to the insulin receptor family. The ALK protein have a kinase domain in its intracellular domain, and its function is associated with the promotion of cell growth and inhibition of apoptosis.

Subsequently, the ALK gene has been reported to form ALK fusion genes fused with ATIC, CLTC, MSN, TPM3, TPM4, TFG, MYH9 and ALO17 genes in ALCL and also ATIC, CARS, CLTC, DCTN1, TPM3, TPM4, PPFIBP1, RANBP2 and SEC31L1 genes in inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor (IMT).

The proteins produced from these fusion genes are constantly activated by forming dimers and led to cancerous change. Recently, other *ALK* fusion genes with *EML4* gene, *KIF5B* gene or *KCL1* gene in non-small cell carcinoma of lung, *SEC31A* gene or *SQSTM1* gene in ALK-positive large B-cell lymphoma and *VCL* gene in renal cell cancer have been also reported.

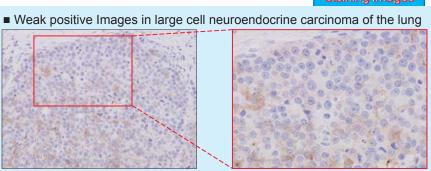


Lung adenocarcinoma: Positive reaction is observed in cytoplasm of tumor cells. Weak to strong positive of staining levels is observed regarding the expression level of ALK fusion protein. Hot bath treatment (+)

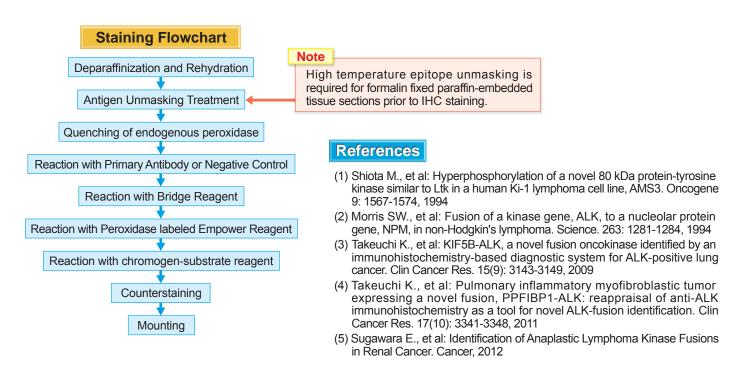
Notes for Determination

Due to this kit detects ALK proteins, ALK fusion proteins as well as full-length ALK protein are reacted. Consequently, results of slight positive to positive for tumors* that infrequently express full-length ALK protein are observed. However, discrimination between ALK fusion proteins and full-length ALK protein is not available. Therefore, considering expression possibility of ALK fusion proteins, confirmation of the presence or absence of *ALK* fusion genes by using FISH method is preferable in this regard.

* Large-cell neuroendocrine carcinomas of the lung, small-cell lung carcinomas and rhabdomyosarcomas (particularly alveolar rhabdomyosarcomas).



Weak positive staining is observed in the specimen which expresses full-length ALK protein. Hot bath treatment (+)



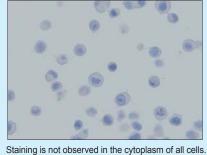
M-Histofine[®] ALK Control Slides

Both formalin fixed paraffin embedded cell lines of NCI-H2228 (Positive) and SK-BR-3 (Negative) are mounted on each slide.

N-Histofine[®] ALK Control Slides are used as a standard for discrimination of positive tissue blocks possess expressed ALK protein.

This product is used for validation of reagent performance and staining technique in the IHC staining (including cytology staining) with \mathbf{N} -Histofine[®] ALK Detection Kit.

Negative control cell line/SK-BR-3



Positive control cell line/NCI-H2228

Staining is not observed in the cytoplasm of all cel Treatment with hot bath (+)

Strong stainings are observed in the cytoplasm of the majority of cells. Treatment with hot bath (+)



Detection system.

Liquid. Ready to use.

	Product Name		Size	Code
N -ŀ	Histofine® ALK Detection k	Kit	20 tests	417071F
Vial No.	Components	Constitue	ents	Volume
1	Blocking Reagent	3 V/V% Hydrogen p	peroxide	4ml × 1
2	Primary Antibody	anti-ALK mouse mo	onoclonal antibody (5A) 2ml × 1
3	Negative Control	Mouse IgG		2ml × 1
4	Bridge Reagent			4ml × 1
5	Peroxidase Labeled Empower Reagent			4ml × 1
6	Chromogen Substrate	3,3'-Diaminobenzid	ine tetrahydrochloride	0.5ml × 1
7	Substrate Buffer Solution			0.5ml × 1
8	Chromogen Reagent	0.6 V/V% Hydroger	n peroxide solution	0.5ml × 1
9	ALK Antigen Retrieval Solution A			150ml × 1
10	ALK Antigen Retrieval Solution B			150ml × 1

Product Name	Size	Code
N-Histofine [®] ALK Control Slides	5 slides	417081F

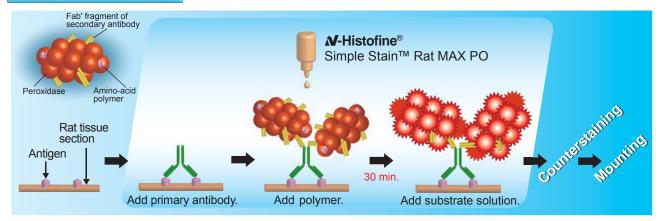
Detection system for Rat tissue sections N-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Rat MAX PO

This product adopted the UIP (Universal Immuno-enzyme Polymer) method, Nichirei Bio's patented technology.

Feature

N-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Rat MAX PO is a detection reagent designed specifically to allow immunohistochemical staining on formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded rat tissue sections. It is the labeled polymer prepared by combining amino acid polymers with multiple molecules of peroxidase (PO) and secondary antibody which is reduced to Fab' fragment. To eliminate background staining, solid-phase adsorption of secondary antibody is conducted with rat, human, dog, pig and bovine sera.

Principle & Procedure



Advantages

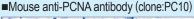
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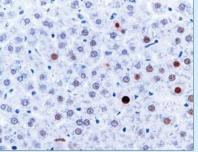
- 1. No reaction to endogenous rat immunoglobulin (Page 25).
- 2. Simplified staining steps*.
- 3. High sensitivity*.
- 4. No background due to unaffected by endogenous biotin*.
- 5. Ready to use.



Rat colon (treated with high temperature epitope unmasking method) stained with **M**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Rat MAX PO (M) and DAB chromogen.

Cytoplasmic staining of fibroblasts and endothelial cells is observed.

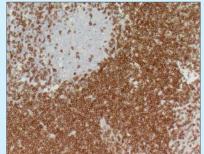




Rat liver stained with **№** -Histofine[®] Simple Stain™ Rat MAX PO (MULTI) and DAB chromogen. Nuclear staining of liver cells is observed.

Staining Results

Goat anti-CD3-ε(M-20) antibody



Rat lymph node (treated with high temperature epitope unmasking method) stained with *M*-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Rat MAX PO (G) and DAB chromogen. Membrane staining of almost all lymphocytes is observed.

Product Detection systems.

Detection systems.			Liquid.	Ready to use.
Product Name	For (slides)	Volume	Code	For use with
✓-Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (MULTI)	170	17ml	414191F	Mouse and rabbit primary antibodies
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ Rat MAX PO (M)	170	17ml	414171F	Mouse primary antibody
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ Rat MAX PO (R)	170	17ml	414181F	Rabbit primary antibody
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ Rat MAX PO (G)	170	17ml	414331F	Goat primary antibody

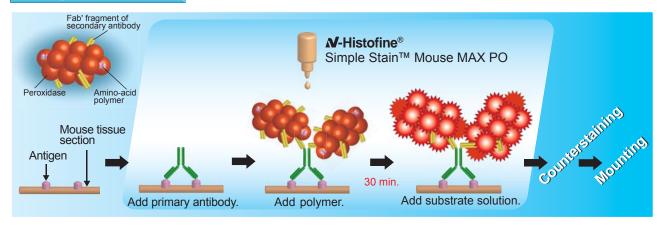
Detection system for Mouse tissue sections N-Histofine[®]Simple Stain[™] Mouse MAX PO

This product adopted the UIP (Universal Immuno-enzyme Polymer) method, Nichirei Bio's patented technology.

Feature

N-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Mouse MAX PO is a detection reagent designed specifically to allow immunohistochemical staining on formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded mouse tissue sections. It is the labeled polymer prepared by combining amino acid polymers with multiple molecules of peroxidase (PO) and secondary antibody which is reduced to Fab' fragment. To eliminate background staining, solid-phase adsorption of secondary antibody is conducted with mouse serum.

Principle & Procedure



Advantages

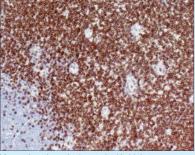
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- 1. No reaction to endogenous mouse immunoglobulin (Page 25).
- 2. Simplified staining steps*.
- 3. High sensitivity*
- 4. No background due to unaffected by endogenous biotin*.
- 5. Ready to use.

Rabbit anti-Keratin/Cytokeratin antibody Mouse skin stained with **M**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Mouse MAX PO(R) and DAB chromogen.

Cytoplasmic staining of epithelium cells and sweat gland cells is observed.

■Goat anti-CD3-ε(M-20) antibody

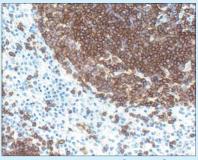


Mouse lymph node (treated with high temperature epitope unmasking method) stained with ✔-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Mouse MAX PO(G) and DAB chromogen. Membrane staining of almost all lymphocytes is

observed

Rat anti-Mouse CD45R/B220

Staining Results



Mouse spleen stained with **№**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Mouse MAX PO (Rat) and DAB chromogen. Membrane staining of almost all lymphocytes in germinal center and scattered interfollicular lymphocytes is observed.

Product

Detection systems.

	Liquid.	Ready to use.		
Product Name	For (slides)	Volume	Code	For use with
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ Mouse MAX PO (R)	170	17ml	414341F	Rabbit primary antibody
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ Mouse MAX PO (G)	170	17ml	414351F	Goat primary antibody
✓-Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Mouse MAX PO (Rat)	170	17ml	414311F	Rat primary antibody

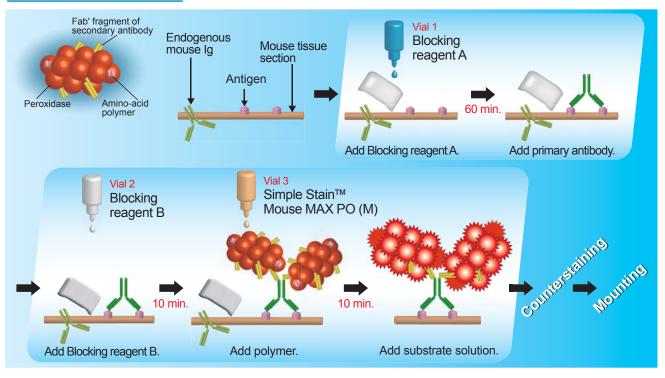
Detection system for Mouse tissue sections M-Histofine[®] MOUSESTAIN KIT

This product adopted the UIP (Universal Immuno-enzyme Polymer) method, Nichirei Bio's patented technology.

Feature

M-Histofine[®] MOUSESTAIN KIT is the mouse on mouse system. It is designed specifically to allow immunohistochemical staining with a mouse primary antibody on formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded mouse tissue sections. This kit consists of Blocking reagent A, Blocking reagent B, and Simple Stain[™] Mouse Max PO (M) which is the labeled polymer prepared by combining amino acid polymer with multiple molecules of peroxidase and goat anti-mouse Ig which is reduced to Fab' fragment. To eliminate background staining, this kit uses Blocking reagent A and Blocking reagent B.

Principle & Procedure



Advantages

1. No reaction to endogenous mouse immunoglobulin.

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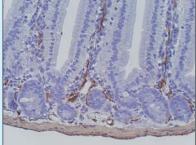
- Simplified staining steps*
- 3. High sensitivity*.
- 4. No background due to unaffected by endogenous biotin*.
- 5. Ready to use.

Mouse anti-PCNA antibody (clone:PC10)

Mouse colon stained with **N**-Histofine[®] MOUSESTAIN KIT and DAB chromogen. Nuclear staining of Epithelium cells is observed.

> Mouse colon stained with **M**-Histofine[®] MOUSESTAIN KIT and DAB chromogen. Intense staining of smooth muscle and muscularis propria in lamina propria mucosae is observed.

Staining Results Mouse anti-Muscle Actin antibody (clone:HHF35)



Product

Detection	system.
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	Ready to use.				
Product Name	For (slides)	Volume	Code	For use with	
	50	6ml x 3	414321F	Mouse	
	500	17ml x 9	414322F	primary antibody	

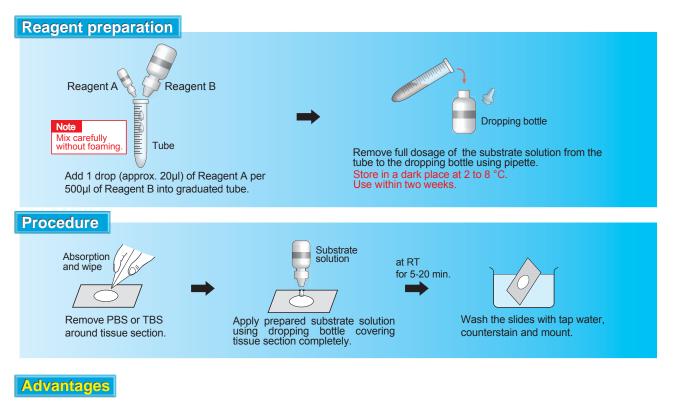
Enzyme substrate for peroxidase-based IHC staining

N-Histofine[®] DAB-2V

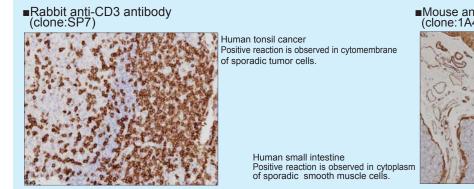
Feature

M-Histofine[®] DAB-2V is used as chromogen-substrate reagents for peroxidase-based immunohistochemical staining as well. DAB produces brown precipitates at the site of the target antigen or nucleic acid reacting with peroxidase.

Higher sensitivity and simplified preparation are available in comparison with prior **N**-Histofine[®] DAB-3S kit.

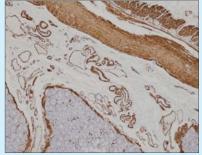


- 1. Simple step for preparation of substrate solution.
- 2. Higher sensitivity than that of other DAB substrate kits.
- 3. Prepared substrate solution is available for two weeks.



Staining Results

■Mouse anti-Smooth Muscle Actin (clone:1A4)



Liquid Ready to use

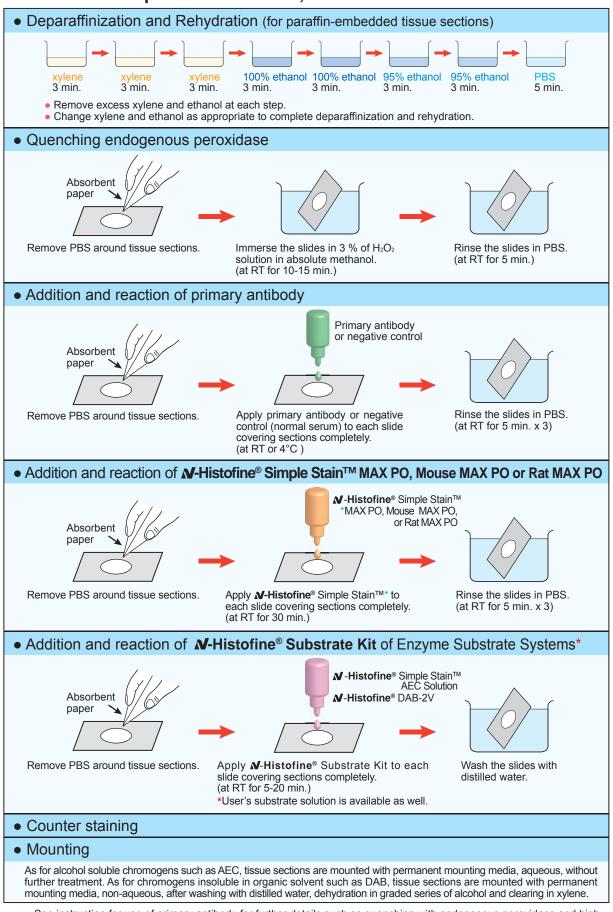
Product

Enzyme Substrate system

Product Name	425312F	425314F	Mark in EU			
№ -Histofine [®] DAB-2V	500 tests	1,500 tests				
Reagent A: DAB solution concentrate Reagent B: DAB buffer Tube Chip (For Reagent B) Dropping bottle	1.2 ml x2 30 ml x2 x1 x1 x1	1.2 ml x6 30 ml x6 x1 x1 x1 x1	CE			

Staining Procedure for *N*-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Series

M-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO, Mouse MAX PO and Rat MAX PO



See instruction for use of primary antibody for further details such as quenching with endogenous peroxidase and high temperature epitope unmasking methods.

[•] Use moist chamber for slide incubation.

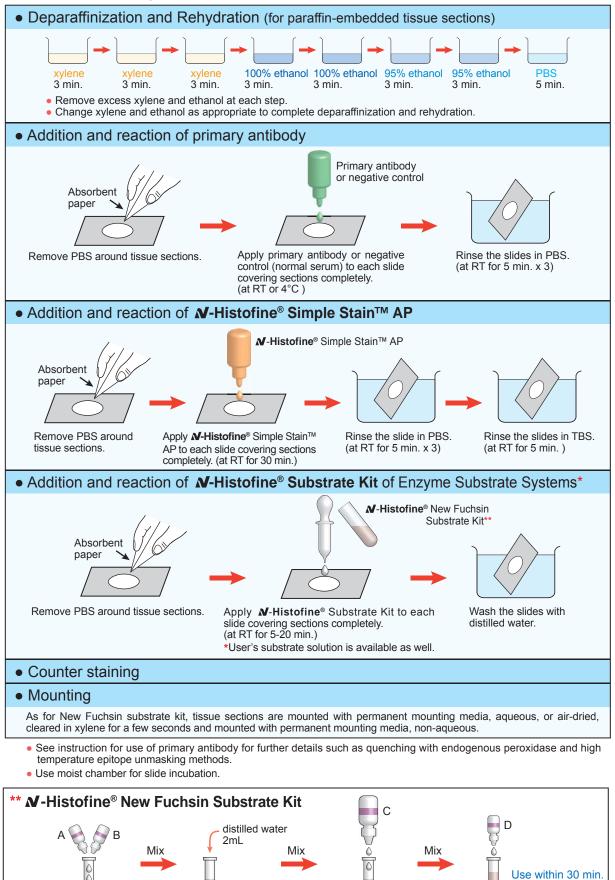
M-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP

Add 1drop of Reagent A

and 1drop of Reagent B

Add 2mL of

distilled water



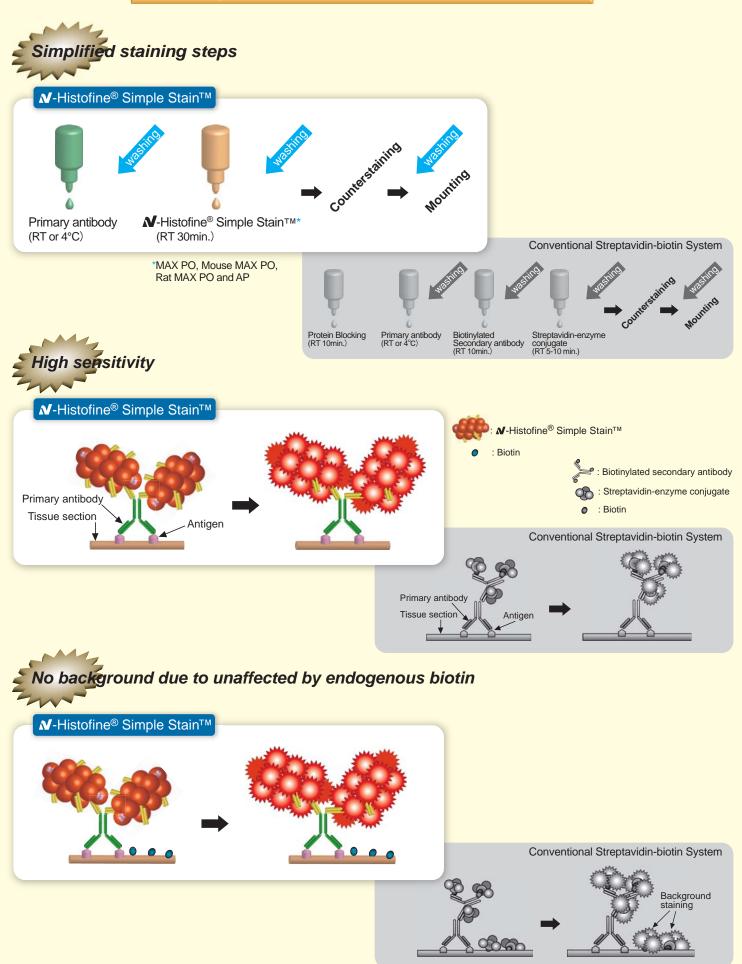
Add 2drops of Reagent C

Add 1drop of Reagent D

and Mix

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Advantages of *N*-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Series



Technical Report

Technical Report 1

Application of **M**-Histofine[®] MOUSESTAIN, Mouse MAX and Rat MAX for mouse and rat frozen tissue sections

M-Histofine[®] MOUSESTAIN, Mouse MAX and Rat MAX for mouse and rat, paraffin embedded tissue sections, are applicable for IHC staining with frozen tissue sections as well by following procedures.

Staining of frozen tissue sections with **MOUSESTAIN** KIT

MOUSESTAIN KIT is available for fixed frozen tissues without any change or addition on its procedure. (Principle & Procedure on page 14.)

1. Frozen tissue sections

Fixed frozen tissues* are only applicable.

*There are two different types of frozen tissues, Fresh frozen tissue and Fixed frozen tissue, used for IHC staining. The fresh frozen tissue should be frozen immediately after the tissue obtained.

The fixed frozen tissue should firstly be fixed and then frozen.

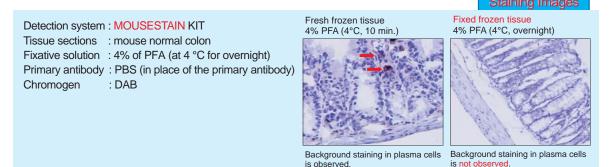
2. Fixative solution

Apply fixative solution appropriate for primary antibody.

3. Concentration and reaction time of reagents

Apply equivalent concentration and reaction time of the respective reagents to these for paraffin embedded tissue sections.

In some preparation of frozen tissue sections, or regarding mouse lineages, tissues or fixing method, background staining may be observed in this regard.



Staining of frozen tissue sections with *N*-Histofine[®] Mouse MAX and Rat MAX for mouse and rat tissue sections

Following Step A firstly and Step B-A secondly are recommended before the reaction with substrate solution to eliminate background staining observed by the staining procedure. (Principle & Procedure on pages 12 and 13.)

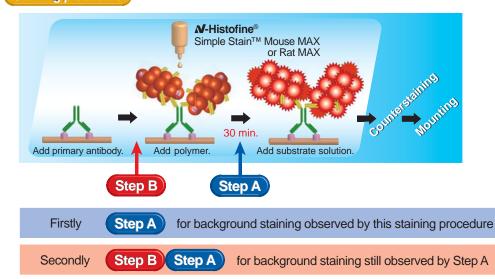
1. Frozen tissue sections

Both fixed frozen tissues and fresh frozen tissues are applicable.

2. Fixative solution

Apply fixative solution appropriate for primary antibody.



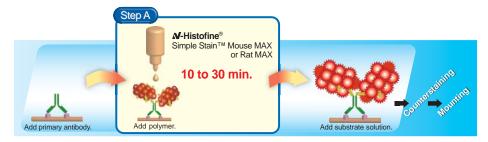


1. Step A) Adjust reaction time of polymer.

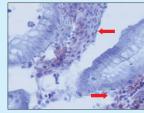
30 min. of reaction time of polymer is designed for paraffin embedded sections.

For frozen tissue sections, apply adequate reaction time* reducing the duration between 10 to 30 min. when some background staining is observed by 30 min. reaction.

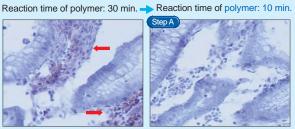
*The reaction time depends on mouse or rat lineages, tissues or fixing methods.



Background eliminated case by Step A Detection system : Simple Stain™ Rat MAX PO (MULTI) Tissue sections : rat normal colon Fixative solution : 4% of PFA (at 4 °C for overnight) Primary antibody : PBS (in place of primary antibody) Chromogen : DAB



Background staining in plasma cells is observed.

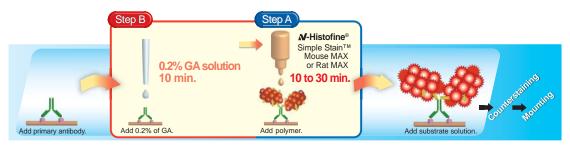


Background staining in plasma cells is not observed.

Step A) Add 0.2% of glutaraldehyde (GA) solution before the Step A. 2. Step B

Blocking with 0.2% of GA solution for 10 min.* may reduce background staining which is still observed by Step A. Identify the absense of inhibition on the reaction of applied primary antibody prior to use of the GA solution. *The effect of the blocking depends on mouse or rat lineages, tissues or fixing methods.

Dilution with SIGMA G7651 Dilute 250 times of SIGMA G7651, 50% concentration of GA, with PBS by 0.2% solution. Others should be equivalent to above dilution.



			3 3
Background eliminated case by Step B-A	Reaction time of polymer: 30 min.	Reaction time of polymer: 10 min.	Reaction time of 0.2% GA: 10 min. polymer: 10 min.
Detection system: Simple Stain™ Mouse MAX PO (R)Tissue sections: mouse normal colonFixative solution: 4% of PFA (at 4 °C for 10 min.)Primary antibody: PBS (in place of primary antibody)Chromogen: DAB		Step A	Step B Step A
	Background staining in plasma cells is observed.	Background staining in plasma cells is reduced but slightly observed.	Background staining in plasma cells is not observed.

IHC Triple-staining Method

The IHC triple-staining method with **№**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO (M), **№**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP (M) and three different murine primary antibodies

I. OBJECTIVE

Detection of three different antigens at different locations within the same tissue section

II. SPECIMENS

20% buffered formalin-fixed and paraffin-embedded tissue section

III. TECHNICAL ADVICE (Staining orders)

1st Detection of Antigen:

Detection of small amount of antigen with BCIP/NBT (Blue)

2nd Detection of Antigen:

Detection of cytoplasmic antigen or large amount of antigen with New Fuchsin (Red)

3rd Detection of Antigen:

Detection of nuclear antigen or moderate to large amount of antigen with DAB (Brown)

IV. STAINING PROCEDURES

1. Deparaffinization and Rehydration

- 1-1. Immerse the slide in xylene at RT 3 times for 3 min each.
- 1-2. Immerse the slide in 100% ethanol at RT 2 times for 3 min each.
- 1-3. Immerse the slide in 95% ethanol at RT 2 times for 3 min each.
- 1-4. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT for 5 min.

1st Detection of Antigen

2. Antigen Retrieval of the 1st primary antibody

- 2-1. Refer to the instruction for use of the 1st primary antibodies and conduct proper antigen retrieval depend on the 1st primary antibody with specific buffer, specified temperature and incubation time, if necessary.
- 2-2. Allow the slide to cool down at RT for 20 60 min. The slide should be cooled down slowly. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.

3. Protein Blocking

Apply 10% Goat normal serum at RT for 10 min.

4. Add 1st Primary Antibody

4-1. Apply 1st primary antibody at 37 °C for 1 hour.

4-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.

5. Add **M**-Histofine[®] Simple[™] Stain AP (M)

- 5-1. Apply **№**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP (M) at RT for 30 min.
- 5-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.
- 5-3. Rinse the slide in TBS at RT for 5 min.

6. Add BCIP/NBT substrate

- 6-1. Apply BCIP/NBT substrate solution.
 Adjust the incubation time by microscopic observation.
 6-2. Wash the slide with distilled water at PT for 5 min.
- $\ensuremath{\mathsf{6-2.}}$ Wash the slide with distilled water at RT for 5 min.

2nd Detection of Antigen

7. Antigen Retrieval of the 2nd primary antibody

7-1. Conduct Method-A or Method-B depend on the 2nd primary antibody

Method-A for the 2nd primary antibody NO Antigen Retrieval required

- 1) Fill the heat-resistant plastic staining jar with 10 mM Sodium citrate buffer at pH 6.0 and heat to 95 °C.
- 2) Immerse the slide in the jar at 95 °C for 10 min*.
 *Inactivation treatment for the 1st primary antibody and the enzyme conjugated polymer of the 1st Detection of Antigen

Method-B for the 2nd primary antibody Antigen Retrieval required

- 1) Fill the heat-resistant plastic staining jar with the specific buffer referring the instruction for use of the 2nd primary antibody and heat to 95 °C.
- 2) Immerse the slide in the jar at 95 °C for 40 min**.3) Allow the slide to cool down at RT for 20-60 min.
- The slide should be cooled down slowly.
- **Activation treatment for the 2nd primary antibody of the 2nd Detection of Antigen, which is able to be combined with the treatment of above Method A
- 7-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.

8. Protein Blocking

Apply 10% Goat normal serum at RT for 10 min.

9. Add 2nd Primary Antibody

- 9-1. Apply 2nd primary antibody at 37 °C for 1 hour.
- 9-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.

10. Add **M**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP (M)

- 10-1. Apply **M**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP (M) at RT for 30 min.
- 10-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.
- 10-3. Rinse the slide in TBS at RT for 5 min.

11. Add New Fuchsin substrate

- 11-1. Apply New Fuchsin substrate solution. Adjust the reaction time by microscopic observation.
- 11-2. Wash the slide with distilled water at RT for 5 min.

3rd Detection of Antigen

12. Antigen Retrieval of the 3rd primary antibody

12-1. Conduct method-A or method-B depend on the 3rd primary antibody

Method-A for the 3rd primary antibody NO Antigen Retrieval required

- 1) Fill the heat-resistant plastic staining jar with 10 mM Sodium citrate buffer at pH 6.0 and heat to 95 °C.
- 2) Immerse the slide in the jar at 95 °C for 10 min*. *Inactivation treatment for the 2nd primary antibody and the enzyme conjugated polymer of the 2nd Detection of Antigen

Method-B for the 3rd primary antibody Antigen Retrieval required

- 1) Fill the heat-resistant plastic staining jar with the specific buffer referring the instruction for use of the 3rd primary antibody and heat to 95 °C.
- 2) Immerse the slide in the jar at 95 °C for 40 min**.3) Allow the slide to cool down at RT for 20-60 min.
- The slide should be cooled down slowly.

**Activation treatment for the 3rd primary antibody of the 3rd Detection of Antigen, which is able to be combined with the treatment of above Method A

12-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.

13. Quenching of endogenous peroxidase

- 13-1. Immerse the slide in 3% H_2O_2 solution in absolute methanol at RT for 10 min.
- 13-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.

14. Protein Blocking

Apply 10% Goat normal serum at RT for 10 min.

15. Add 3rd Primary Antibody

15-1. Apply 3rd primary antibody at 37 °C for 1 hour.

15-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.

16. Add *M*-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO (M)

- 16-1. Apply **M**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO (M) at RT for 30 min.
- 16-2. Rinse the slide in PBS at RT 3 times for 5 min each.

17. Add DAB substrate

- 17-1. Apply DAB substrate solution.
- Adjust the reaction time by microscopic observation.
- 17-2. Wash the slide with distilled water at RT for 5 min.

18. Mounting

While the slide is wet by water, apply one drop of permanent mounting media, aqueous, and fix with cover slip.

V. STAINING RESULTS

Case 1: Human Reactive Lymph Node

1. OBJECTIVE

Observe three types of stained cells in a tissue section.

- 2. SPECIMENS Human Reactive Lymph Node
- 3. Used primary antibodies, antigen retrievals, detections and chromogens

1st Detection of Antigen:

Primary Antibody: CD8 Antigen Retrieval: 1mM buffered EDTA at pH8.0, 95 °C for 40 min. Detection system: **№**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP (M) Chromogen: BCIP/NBT (Blue)

2nd Detection of Antigen:

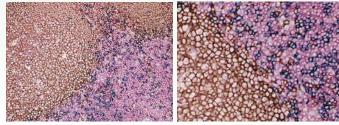
Primary Antibody: ČD4 Antigen Retrieval: 1mM buffered EDTA at pH8.0, 95 °C for 40 min. Detection system: **№**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP (M) Chromogen: New Fuchsin (Red)

3rd Detection of Antigen:

Primary Antibody: CD20cy Antigen Retrieval: 10mM Sodium citrate buffer at pH 6.0, 95 °C for 40 min. Detection system: **№**-Histofine® Simple Stain[™] MAX PO (M)

Chromogen: DAB (Brown)

4. Staining Images



Case 2: Cervical Squamous Cell Carcinoma

1. OBJECTIVE

- Observe three types of stained cells in a tissue section.
- 2. SPECIMENS Cervical Squamous Cell Carcinoma
- 3. Used primary antibodies, antigen retrievals, detections and chromogens
- 1st Detection of Antigen: Primary Antibody: Beta-catenin Antigen Retrieval: 1mM buffered EDTA at pH8.0, 95 °C for 40 min. Detection system: **№**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP (M) Chromogen: BCIP/NBT (Blue)

2nd Detection of Antigen:

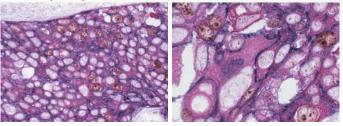
Primary Antibody: Cytokeratin (AE1/AE3) Antigen Retrieval: 10mM Sodium citrate buffer at pH 6.0, 95 °C for 40 min. Detection system: **M**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] AP (M) Chromogen: New Fuchsin (Red)

3rd Detection of Antigen:

Primary Antibody: Ki-67 antigen Antigen Retrieval: 10mM Sodium citrate buffer at pH 6.0, 95 °C for 40 min.

Detection system: **№**-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO (M) Chromogen: DAB (Brown)

4.Staining Images



VI. ADVICE FOR STAINING

VI-1. Staining Schedule

Two-day separated completion of all the steps of the IHC triple-staining is available under the following conditions.

1st day

The reaction condition of 1st primary antibody should be at 4 $^\circ$ C for overnight.

2nd day

The reaction condition of both 2nd and 3rd primary antibodies should be at 37 °C for 1 hour.

VI-2. Chromogens Preparations

VI-2. Chromogens Preparations
1. BCIP/NBT substrate solution
1-1. Reagents preparation
Substrate buffer (store at 2-8 °C): 100 mM Tris-HCI Buffer (100 mM sodium chloride, 50mM MgCl ₂), pH 9.5 Adjust pH with HCI.
NBT stock solution (store at –20 °C): Dissolve 75 mg of NBT (Nitro Blue Tetrazolium, SIGMA) in 1 ml of 70% N,N-dimethylformamid.
BCIP stock solution (store at -20 °C): Dissolve 50 mg of BCIP (5-Bromo-4-Chloro-3-Indolyl Phosphate-p-Toluidine salt, SIGMA) in 1 ml of N,N-dimethylformamid.
1-2. Substrate solution preparation Add 5 μl of BCIP stock solution and 6.5 μl of NBT stock solution to 1.5 ml of Substrate buffer and mix well. Use the solution within 30 min after preparation.
2. New Fuchsin substrate solution
2-1. Reagents preparation
Naphthol AS-BI phosphate solution (Use within 30 min
after preparation): Dissolve 10 mg of naphthol AS-BI phosphoric acid (SIGMA) in 100 μl of N,N-dimethylformamid.
New Fuchsin solution (store at 2-8 °C): Dissolve 4.0 g of New Fuchsin powder (MERCK) in 100 ml of 2N HCl and filter the solution.
4 % Sodium Nitrite solution (Use within 30 min after preparation): Dissolve 40 mg of Sodium Nitrite in 1ml of distilled water
0.2 M Tris-HCI buffer (store at room temperature): 200mM Tris-HCI buffer, pH 8.2-8.3 Adjust pH with HCI.
 2-2. Substrate solution preparation Mix 100 µl of New Fuchsin solution and 100µl of 4 % Sodium Nitrite solution and incubate for 1 min. Add 40ml of 0.2N Tris-HCl buffer to the mixture. Add 100 µl of Naphthol AS-BI phosphate solution to the mixture while stirring constantly. Use the solution immediately after Filtration.
3. DAB substrate solution
Dissolve and mix following reagents and stir the solution. Use the solution within 30 min after preparation.
10 mg of 3,3'-Diaminobenzidine, tetrahydrochloride 50 ml of 0.05 M Tris-HCl buffer, 15mM NaN ₃ pH 7.6 50 μ l of 5 % H ₂ O ₂ in distilled water 34 mg of Imidazole

Technical Report 3

Advantages of Immunohistochemical polymer detection systems designed for mouse & rat tissue sections

Introduction

When the immunohistochemical detection systems for human tissue sections are used for staining on mouse and rat tissue sections, background staining may be caused due to such reactivity with endogenous immunoglobulins of mouse and rat in the tissue sections. Therefore, the immunohistochemical detection systems designed for staining on mouse and rat tissue sections were developed. Background staining is compared among those detection systems for mouse, rat and human tissue sections on mouse/rat tissue sections.

Results

Materials & Methods

Materials

- Formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded mouse and rat tissue sections
- M-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Mouse MAX PO (Rat) : rat primary antibody for mouse tissue sections
- M-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] Rat MAX PO (M) : mouse primary antibody for rat tissue sections
- M-Histofine[®] Simple Stain[™] MAX PO (M) : mouse primary antibody for human tissue sections

Methods

To compare background staining between polymers, immunohistochemical staining on mouse tissue sections was conducted with **N**-Histofine[®] Simple StainTM Mouse MAX PO (Rat) and **N**-Histofine[®] Simple StainTM MAX PO (M). (Fig.1)

To compare background staining between polymers, immunohistochemical staining on rat tissue sections was conducted with M-Histofine[®] Simple StainTM Rat MAX PO (M) and M-Histofine[®] Simple StainTM MAX PO (M). (Fig.2)

PBS was used in place of primary antibody to identify the background staining caused by polymers.

It was found that the background staining by endogenous

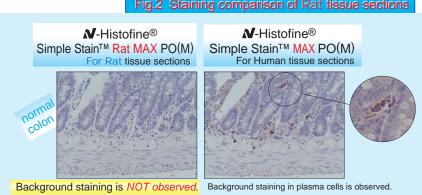
immunoglobulins was not observed when the

immunohistochemical staining was conducted with those polymer detection systems designed for mouse and rat.

DAB solution was used for brown color development.

Steps of immunohistochemical staining Quenching of endogenous peroxidase Incubation with PBS for 30 min.

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Trouble Shooting

Problem	Possible cause	Solution		
1. Staining is not observed or weak staining is	1) Drying-out of tissue sections during staining prior to addition of reagents.	Prevent tissue sections from drying out.		
observed on positive control slide and specimen slide.	 Embedding agent used is not suitable, or paraffin is not thoroughly removed from paraffin-embedded tissue sections. 	 Use suitable embedding agent or remove paral thoroughly from tissue sections embedded. Change xylene or ethanol in some cases. 		
	 Any trace amount of sodium azide present in buffer inactivates peroxidase, such staining may not be available. 	Change buffer solution.		
	 Inadequate incubation of enzyme and antibody. 	 Change stale chromogen-substrate reagent. Remove excess solution thoroughly at each stage. Allow antibody sufficient time to react. In particular, primary antibody should be incubated the specified time in its instruction for use. 		
 Specimen slide is not stained while positive control slide is stained. 	 Antigen is denatured or masked during fixing or embedding process. 	 Some antigens are sensitive to fixation or embedding. Therefore use less potent fixative and shorten the fixing time. Heat-Induced Epitope Retrieval or treatment with proteolytic enzyme protease may be required for some tissues to reveal antigens before staining. 		
	2) Antigen is decomposed by autolysis.	Use tissues obtained by biopsy or surgery.		
	3) Amount of antigen is few in tissue sections.	Prolong reaction time of reagent at each step.		
3. Backgrounds are intensively stained on all the slides.	Peroxidase staining1) Endogenous enzyme activity was not completely blocked.	 Ensure treatment with 3% of hydrogen peroxid added methanol to inactivate endogenous peroxidas activity. 		
	2) Non-specific staining is found.	 Before adding primary antibody, treat with 10% normal goat or rabbit serum as follows. 		
		Product name Serum		
		Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (M) goat		
		Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (R) goat Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (MULTI) goat		
		Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (G) rabbit		
		Simple Stain [™] Mouse MAX PO (R) goat		
		Simple Stain [™] Mouse MAX PO (G) rabbit Simple Stain [™] Mouse MAX PO (Rat) goat		
		Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (M) goat		
		Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (R) goat		
		Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (G) rabbit Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (MULTI) goat		
	Alkaline phosphatase staining	Add Levamisole to chromogen-substrate solution.		
	 Endogenous enzyme activity was not completely blocked. 	To reduce endogenous enzyme activit chromogen-substrate solution containing 1m Levamisole should be used.		
	2) Non-specific staining is found.	Before adding primary antibody, treat with 10% normal goat serum as follows.		
		Product name Serum		
		Simple Stain™ AP (M) goat		
		Simple Stain™ AP (R)goatSimple Stain™ AP (MULTI)goat		
	 Autolysis results in excessive antigens isolated in histological solutions. 	Use fresh tissues whenever available.		
	4) Insufficient removal of paraffin.	Change xylene or ethanol in some cases.		
	5) Insufficient washing of antibody.	accelerates • Keep room temperature at 15 to 25°C. • Shorten reaction time of enzyme.		
	6) High room temperature accelerates enzyme reactions.			
	 Tissue sections are dried out during staining after addition of reagents. 	Prevent tissue sections from drying out.		
4. During reaction, tissue sections come off from slides.	 Heat induced antigen retrieval procedure some antigens required or prolonged reaction time with primary antibody may promote tissue sections come off easier. 	 Mount tissue sections on slides coated with an adhesive such as 0.02% poly-L-lysine or silane. 		

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Product List

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For Human Tissue Sections					
M -Histofine [®] High Stain™ HRP (MULTI)	170 1000	17ml ea. 17ml x 6 ea.	414481F 414483F	Mouse and rabbit primary antibodies	
High Stain™ Solution A High Stain™ Solution B	1000	TTTILX O ea.			
High Stain™ Solution B	170	17ml x 1	414151F		
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] MAX PO (MULTI)	500	17ml x 3	414152F	Mouse and rabbit primary antibodies	
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M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ MAX PO (M)	500	17ml x 3	414131F 414132F	Mouse primary antibody	(ϵ)
	1500	17ml x 9	414134F		
N -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ MAX PO (R)	170 500	17ml x 1 17ml x 3	414141F 414142F	Rabbit	
	1500	17ml x 9	414144F	primary antibody	
N -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ MAX PO (G)	170	17ml x 1	414161F	Goat primary antibody	
•	500 170	17ml x 3 17ml x 1	414162F 414261F	Mouse and rabbit	-
N -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ AP (MULTI)	500	17ml x 3	414262F	primary antibodies	
N -Histofine [®] Simple Stain™ AP (M)	170	17ml x 1	414241F	Mouse	
	500	17ml x 3	414242F	primary antibody	
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] AP (R)	170 500	17ml x 1 17ml x 3	414251F 414252F	Rabbit primary antibody	
For Mouse Tissue Sections	500	17111 X O	4142321	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Mouse MAX PO (R)	170	17ml x 1	414341F	Rabbit primary antibody	
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Mouse MAX PO (G)	170	17ml x 1	414351F	Goat primary antibody	
№ -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Mouse MAX PO (Rat)	170	17ml x 1	414311F	Rat primary antibody	
N-Histofine® MOUSESTAIN KIT	50 500	6ml ea. 17ml x 3 ea.	414321F 414322F	Mouse primary antibody	
Blocking Reagent A Blocking Reagent B		L		.1	
Simple Štain™ Mouse Max PO (M)					
For Rat Tissue Sections				Mouse and rabbit	
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (MULTI)	170	17ml x 1	414191F	primary antibodies	
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (M)	170	17ml x 1	414171F	Mouse primary antibody	
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (R)	170	17ml x 1	414181F	Rabbit primary antibody	
M -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] Rat MAX PO (G)	170	17ml x 1	414331F	Goat primary antibody	
Enzyme Substrate Systems		*1.0ml v 0			
№ -Histofine [®] DAB-2V	500	*1.2ml x 2 **30ml x 2	425312F	Peroxidase	
Reagent A : DAB solution concentrate* Reagent B : DAB buffer**	1500	*1.2ml x 6 **30ml x 6	425314F		
№ -Histofine [®] DAB-3S kit	500	3ml ea.	415192F	Peroxidase	
Reagent A : DAB solution concentrate	1500	9ml ea.	415194F		CE
Reagent B : Enhancer solution concentrate Reagent C : Hydrogen peroxide solution concentrate					
№ -Histofine [®] Simple Stain [™] AEC Solution	500 1500	17ml x 3 17ml x 9	415182F 415184F	Peroxidase	
N -Histofine [®] New Fuchsin Substrate kit	2000	* 6ml ea. **12ml x 1	415161F	Alkaline phosphatase	
Reagent A : New Fuchsin solution concentrate Reagent B : Activating reagent concentrate* Reagent C : Substrate buffer concentrate** Reagent D : Substrate solution concentrate*	*				

Liquid. Ready to use.

	Product Name	Size	Volume	Code	For use with
For Human Tissue	Sections				
№ -Histofine®	ALK Detection Kit	20 tests		417071F	
1 B	Blocking Reagent		4ml × 1		
2 P	rimary Antibody		2ml × 1		
3 N	legative Control		2ml × 1		
4 B	Bridge Reagent		4ml × 1		
5 P	Peroxidase Labeled Empower Reagent		4ml × 1		
6 C	Chromogen Substrate		0.5ml × 1		
7 S	Substrate Buffer Solution		0.5ml × 1		
8 C	Chromogen Reagent		0.5ml × 1		
9 A	LK Antigen Retrieval Solution A		150ml × 1		
10 A	LK Antigen Retrieval Solution B		150ml × 1		
№ -Histofine [®]	ALK Control Slides	5 slides		417081F	

Storage

Store in a dark place at 2 to 8 °C.



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