## Detection of GSTpi in Formalin-Fixed, Paraffin-Embedded Rat Tissue

#### **Reagents**:

1X Automation Buffer 3% Hydrogen Peroxide Antibody Diluent <u>Citrate Buffer</u> DAB Chromagen Hematoxylin

### **Antibody Information**:

Blocking Serum: Normal Goat Serum Jackson Immunoresearch Laboratories, Inc. West Grove, PA 19390 www.jacksonimmuno.com 1-800-367-5296 Catalog #005-000-001

Avidin Biotin Blocking Kit Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA 94010 <u>www.vectorlabs.com</u> 1-800-227-6666 Catalog #SP-2001

Primary antibody: Rabbit anti-GSTpi Novocastra (Distributed by Vector Laboratories) Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA 94010 www.vectorlabs.com 1-800-227-6666 Catalog #NCL-GSTpi

<u>Negative: Normal Rabbit Serum</u> Jackson Immunoresearch Laboratories, Inc. West Grove, PA 19390 <u>www.jacksonimmuno.com</u> 1-800-367-5296 Catalog #011-000-001 Secondary: Vector Rabbit Elite ABC Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA 94010 www.vectorlabs.com 1-800-227-6666 Catalog #PK-6101

Label antibody: Vector Rabbit Elite ABC Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA 94010 <u>www.vectorlabs.com</u> 1-800-227-6666 Catalog #PK-6101

### **Staining Procedure**

-Positive Control Tissue: Rat liver tissue containing foci -Stain localization: Cytoplasmic and Nuclear

Deparaffinize and hydrate slides through the following solutions.

Xylene	2 times	5 minutes
100% EtOH	2 times	3 minutes
95% EtOH	2 times	3 minutes
1X Automation Buffer	2 times	5 minutes

1. Quench endogenous peroxidase by placing slides in 3% hydrogen peroxide for 15 minutes.

2. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.

3. Perform Heat Induced Epitope Retrieval using Microwave Oven.
Place a full rack of slides in a container containing 200 mls distilled water.
MWO for 5 minutes at level 5
Cool for 1 minute (Add 50 mls distilled water to container if needed)
MWO for 5 minutes at level 5 Temp\_\_\_\_\_
Cool 20 minutes at room temperature.
Rinse in distilled water 3 X 2 minutes each
Place slides in buffer for 5 minutes

4. Block using 5% normal goat serum for 20 minutes. Lot#\_\_\_\_\_Reconstituted Date\_\_\_\_\_

DO NOT RINSE SLIDES.

5. Apply Avidin/Biotin block
Lot#\_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date\_\_\_\_\_ New Kit: yes / no
Apply avidin block - 15 min at RT.
Quick rinse in 1X AB.
Apply biotin block - 15 min at RT.
Wipe excess block.

# DO NOT RINSE SLIDES WITH BUFFER BEFORE ADDING PRIMARY ANTIBODY.

6. Apply primary antibody GSTpi and incubate according to tissue type. Lot#\_\_\_\_\_ Aliquoted yes / no Date Aliquoted\_\_\_\_\_

For LIVER tissue: Suggested dilution 1:800 Incubation time: 1 hour at room temp. For LUNG tissue: Suggested dilution 1:500 Incubation time : 1 hour at room temp.

For the negative control slides, match the protein concentration of the normal rabbit serum to the protein concentration of the primary antibody (GSTpi) and use this to make the suggested dilution. Apply to the slides and incubate for one hour. Lot #\_\_\_\_\_ Reconstituted Date\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.

8. Apply secondary antibody from Vector Rabbit Elite Kit and incubate for 30 minutes. Exp. Date\_\_\_\_\_New Kit: yes / no

9. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.

10. Apply Label antibody from Vector Rabbit Elite Kit and incubate for 30 minutes. (Prepare at least 30 mins prior to use)

11. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.

12. Apply liquid Dako DAB Chromagen for 6 minutes in the dark.
(Add 1 drop of DAB per ml of substrate)
Lot#\_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date\_\_\_\_\_ New Kit: yes / no

13. Rinse in tap water 3 minutes.

14. Counterstain with Modified Harris Hematoxylin for 30 seconds.

15. Rinse in tap water until water is clear.

16. Place slides in 1X Automation buffer for 1 minute with gentle agitation to blue slides.

17. Dehydrate through the following solutions.

95% Ethanol	1 change	3 minutes
100% EtOH	3 changes	3 minutes
Xylene	2 changes	5 minutes

## 18. Coverslip

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