## Detection of Peanut Agglutinin (PNA) in Frozen Mouse Tissue

## **Reagent and Antibody Information**

1X Wash Buffer 3% Hydrogen Peroxide 1% BSA Diluent DAB Chromagen Hematoxylin Rapid Fixx

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

Primary Antibody: Peanut Agglutinin Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA 94010 www.vectorlabs.com 1-800-227-6666 Catalog # B-1075

Label Complex: Peroxidase-Conjugated Streptavidin SS Label Biogenex Laboratories San Ramon, CA 94583 www.biogenex.com 1-800-421-4149 Catalog # HK330-9K

## **Staining Procedure**

Positive Control Tissue: Spleen and kidney Stain Localization: Cytomplasmic

- Cut each frozen section at 6μm and mount on a positively-charged slide. Immediately fix the section in Rapid Fix Solution for 7 seconds. Rinse the slide thoroughly in tap water to remove excess fixative and then place in 1X Wash Buffer. Once all the slides have undergone this process, proceed to step 2.
- 2. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X Wash Buffer for 5 minutes each.
- 3. Quench endogenous peroxidase by placing the slides in 0.3% hydrogen peroxide for 30 minutes.
- 4. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X Wash Buffer for 5 minutes each.
- 5. <u>Avidin / Biotin Blocking Kit</u> Lot #\_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date\_\_\_\_\_ New Kit: yes / no Apply avidin block for 15 minutes at room temperature. Quick rinse in 1X Wash Buffer. Apply biotin block for 15 minutes at room temperature.

DO NOT RINSE SLIDES WITH BUFFER BEFORE ADDING PRIMARY REAGENT. ONLY WIPE EXCESS BUFFER.

- 6. Apply the PNA at a 1:1000 dilution, and incubate for 1 hour at room temperature. (The diluent for this reagent is the 1mM CaCl<sub>2</sub>, MgCl<sub>2</sub>, MnCl<sub>2</sub>.) Lot #\_\_\_\_\_ Date Reconstituted\_\_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X Wash Buffer for 5 minutes each
- 8. Apply the Streptavidin SS Label, and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature. Lot #\_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X Wash Buffer for 5 minutes each.
- 10. Apply the DAB chromagen, and incubate in the dark for 6 minutes at room temperature. (Add 1 drop of DAB per ml of substrate) Lot #\_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date\_\_\_\_\_ New Kit: yes / no
- 11. Rinse the slides in tap water 3 minutes.
- 12. Counterstain with Harris Hematoxylin for 20 seconds.
- 13. Rinse the slides in tap water until water is clear.
- 14. Gently agitate slides in 1X Wash Buffer until they turn blue.

15. Dehydrate through the following solutions:

Solution	Repetitions	Time
95% Ethanol	1 time	3 minutes
100% Ethanol	3 times	3 minutes
Xylene	2 times	5 minutes

16. Coverslip

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