

POLYCLONAL ANTIBODY

# Anti-Luciferase pAb

Code No.  
PM016

Quantity  
100 µL

Form  
Rabbit IgG

**BACKGROUND:** Luciferase is a 61 kDa luminescent enzyme isolated from *Photinus pyralis* (North American Firefly). The enzyme catalyzes the ATP dependent oxidation of beetle luciferin to produce inorganic phosphate and light. Luciferase is frequently used as a reporter protein to quantify expression levels from promoters in tissue culture and *in vivo*.

**SOURCE:** This antibody was purified from rabbit serum using protein A agarose. The rabbit was immunized with recombinant full length luciferase (*photinus pyralis*).

**FORMULATION:** 100 µL volume of PBS containing 50% glycerol, pH 7.2. No preservative is contained.

**STORAGE:** This antibody is stable for one year from the date of purchase when stored at -20°C.

**REACTIVITY:** This antibody reacts with Luciferase (61 kDa) on Western blotting. It does not cross-react with the luciferase derived from *Renilla mullerei*.

## APPLICATIONS:

Western blotting; 1:1,000

Immunoprecipitation; 5 µL

Immunohistochemistry; 1:100

Heat treatment is necessary for paraffin embedded sections.

Microwave oven; 2 times for 10 minutes each in 10 mM citrate buffer (pH 6.5).

Immunocytochemistry; 1:200

Flow cytometry; Not tested

Detailed procedure is provided in the following **PROTOCOLS**.

## INTENDED USE:

For Research Use Only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

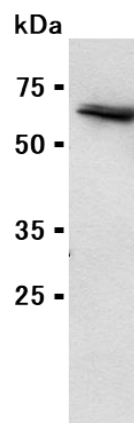
## REFERENCES:

1) Xu, G., *et al.*, *Mol. Pharmacol.* **59**, 485-492 (2001)

## PROTOCOLS:

### SDS-PAGE & Western Blotting

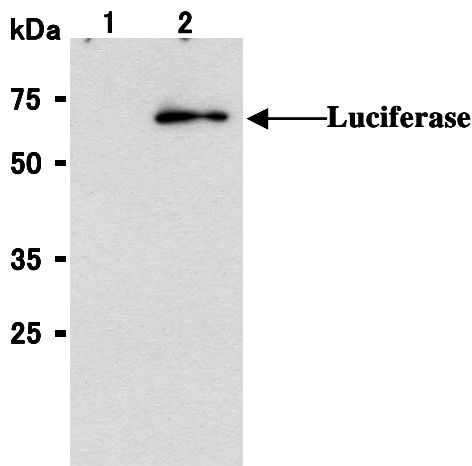
- 1) Mix the sample with equal volume of Laemmli's sample buffer.
- 2) Boil the samples for 2 minutes and centrifuge. Load 10 µL of the sample per lane in a 1 mm thick SDS-polyacrylamide gel for electrophoresis.
- 3) Blot the protein to a polyvinylidene difluoride (PVDF) membrane at 1 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> for 1 hour in a semi-dry transfer system (Transfer Buffer: 25 mM Tris, 190 mM glycine, 20% Methanol). See the manufacture's manual for precise transfer procedure.
- 4) To reduce nonspecific binding, soak the membrane in 10% skimmed milk (in PBS, pH 7.2) for 1 hour at room temperature, or overnight at 4°C.
- 5) Incubate the membrane with primary antibody diluted with PBS, pH 7.2 containing 1% skimmed milk as suggested in the **APPLICATIONS** for 1 hour at room temperature. (The concentration of antibody will depend on the conditions.)
- 6) Wash the membrane with PBS-T [0.05% Tween-20 in PBS] (5 minutes x 3 times).
- 7) Incubate the membrane with 1:10,000 of Anti-IgG (Rabbit) pAb-HRP (MBL; code no. 458) diluted with 1% skimmed milk (in PBS, pH 7.2) for 1 hour at room temperature.
- 8) Wash the membrane with PBS-T (5 minutes x 6 times).
- 9) Wipe excess buffer on the membrane, then incubate it with appropriate chemiluminescence reagent for 1 minute. Remove extra reagent from the membrane by dabbing with paper towel, and seal it in plastic wrap.
- 10) Expose to an X-ray film in a dark room for 3 minutes. Develop the film as usual. The condition for exposure and development may vary.



*Western blotting analysis of Luciferase expression in pGL3/293T cells using PM016.*

### **Immunoprecipitation**

- 1) Wash the cells 3 times with PBS and suspend with 10 volumes of cold Lysis buffer [50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.2), 250 mM NaCl, 0.1% NP-40, 2 mM EDTA, 10% glycerol] containing appropriate protease inhibitors. Incubate it at 4°C with rotating for 30 minutes, then sonicate briefly (up to 10 seconds).
- 2) Centrifuge the tube at 12,000 x g for 10 minutes at 4°C and transfer the supernatant to another tube.
- 3) Add primary antibody as suggested in the **APPLICATIONS** into 100 µg of the supernatant. Mix well and incubate with gentle agitation for 30-120 minutes at 4°C. Add 20 µL of 50% protein A agarose beads resuspended in the cold Lysis buffer. Mix well and incubate with gentle agitation for 60 minutes at 4°C.
- 4) Centrifuge the tube at 2,500 x g for 10 seconds and discard the supernatant.
- 5) Resuspend the beads with the cold Lysis buffer.
- 6) Centrifuge the tube at 2,500 x g for 10 seconds and discard the supernatant.
- 7) Repeat steps 5)-6) 3-5 times.
- 8) Resuspend the beads in 20 µL of Laemmli's sample buffer, boil for 3-5 minutes, and centrifuge for 5 minutes. Use 10 µL/ lane for the SDS-Page analysis. (See **SDS-PAGE & Western blotting.**)



***Immunoprecipitation of Luciferase from pGL3/293T cells with rabbit IgG1 (1) or PM016 (2). After immunoprecipitated with the antibody, immunocomplex was resolved on SDS-PAGE and immunoblotted with PM016.***

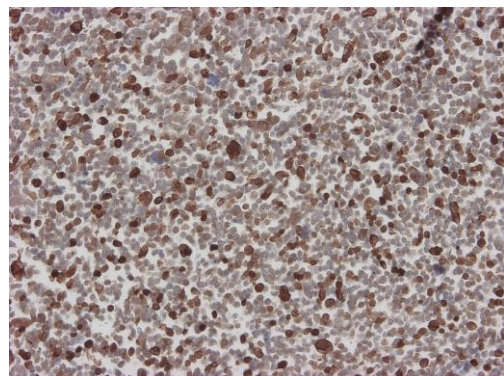
### **Immunohistochemical staining for paraffin-embedded sections: SAB method**

- 1) Deparaffinize the sections with Xylene 3 times for 3-5 minutes each.
- 2) Wash the slides with Ethanol 3 times for 3-5 minutes each.
- 3) Wash the slides with PBS 3 times for 3-5 minutes each.
- 4) Heat treatment

Heat treatment by microwave oven:

Place the slides put on staining basket in 500 mL beaker with 500 mL of 10 mM citrate buffer (pH 6.5). Cover the beaker with plastic wrap, then process the slides 2 times for 10 minutes each at 500 W with microwave oven. Let the slides cool down in the beaker at room temperature for about 40 minutes.

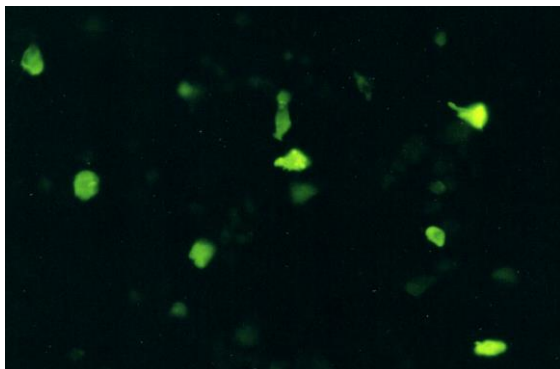
- 5) Remove the slides from the citrate buffer and cover each section with 3% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> for 10 minutes at room temperature to block endogenous peroxidase activity. Wash 3 times in PBS for 5 minutes each.
- 6) Remove the slides from PBS, wipe gently around each section and cover tissues with Protein Blocking Agent (Ultratech HRP Kit; IMMUNOTECH, code no. IM-2391) for 5 minutes to block non-specific staining. Do not wash.
- 7) Tip off the blocking buffer, wipe gently around each section and cover tissues with primary antibody diluted with PBS containing 1% BSA as suggested in the **APPLICATIONS**.
- 8) Incubate the sections for 1 hour at room temperature.
- 9) Wash the slides 3 times in PBS for 5 minutes each.
- 10) Wipe gently around each section and cover tissues with Polyvalent Biotinylated Antibody (Ultratech HRP Kit). Incubate for 10 minutes at room temperature. Wash as in step 9).
- 11) Wipe gently around each section and cover tissues with Streptavidin-Peroxidase (Ultratech HRP Kit). Incubate for 10 minutes at room temperature. Wash as in step 9).
- 12) Visualize by reacting for 10-20 minutes with substrate solution containing 7.5 mg DAB, 40 µL of 30% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in 150 mL PBS. \*DAB is a suspect carcinogen and must be handled with care. Always wear gloves.
- 13) Wash the slides in water for 5 minutes.
- 14) Counter stain in hematoxylin for 1 minute, wash the slides 3 times in water for 5 minutes each, and then immerse the slides in PBS for 5 minutes. Dehydrate by immersing in Ethanol 3 times for 3 minutes each, followed by immersing in Xylene 3 times for 3 minutes each.
- 15) Now ready for mounting.



***Immunohistochemical detection of Luciferase on paraffin embedded section of pGL3/293T cells with PM016.***

### **Immunocytochemistry**

- 1) Culture the cells in the appropriate condition on a glass slide. (For example, spread  $1 \times 10^4$  cells for one slide, then incubate in a CO<sub>2</sub> incubator for one night.)
- 2) Fix the cells by immersing the slide in PBS containing 4% paraformaldehyde for 20 minutes at room temperature.
- 3) The glass slide was washed with PBS 3 times.
- 4) Remove the slide from PBS, and cover the slide with PBS containing 5% BSA 1% goat serum for 10 minutes to block non-specific staining.
- 5) The glass slide was washed with PBS 3 times.
- 6) Add the primary antibody diluted with PBS as suggested in the **APPLICATIONS** onto the cells and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature. (Optimization of antibody concentration or incubation condition is recommended if necessary.)
- 7) The glass slide was washed with PBS 3 times.
- 8) Add 50  $\mu$ L of FITC conjugated anti-mouse IgG antibody diluted with PBS onto the cells. Incubate for 20 minutes at room temperature. Keep out light by aluminum foil.
- 9) The glass slide was washed with PBS 3 times.
- 10) Wipe excess liquid from slide but take care not to touch the cells. Never leave the cells to dry.
- 11) Promptly add mounting medium onto the slide, then put a cover slip on it.



***Immunocytochemical detection of Luciferase on 4% PFA fixed pGL3/293T cells with PM016.***

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