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Thymidylate Synthase (D5B3) XP[®] Rabbit mAb

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| Applications: W, IHC-P, IF-IC, FC-FP | Reactivity: H M R Mk | Sensitivity: Endogenous | MW (kDa): 30 | Source/Isotype: Rabbit | UniProt ID: #P04818 | Entrez-Gene Id: 7298 |
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Product Usage Information

Application

Western Blotting
Immunohistochemistry (Paraffin)
Immunofluorescence (Immunocytochemistry)
Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)

Dilution

1:1000
1:200
1:50
1:100

Storage

Supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 µg/ml BSA, 50% glycerol and less than 0.02% sodium azide. Store at -20°C. Do not aliquot the antibody.

For a carrier free (BSA and azide free) version of this product see product #81327.

Specificity/Sensitivity

Thymidylate Synthase (D5B3) XP[®] Rabbit mAb detects endogenous levels of total thymidylate synthase protein.

Source / Purification

Monoclonal antibody is produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to residues near the carboxy terminus of human thymidylate synthase protein.

Background

The methylation of deoxyuridine monophosphate (dUMP) to deoxythymidine monophosphate (dTMP) is an essential step in the formation of thymine nucleotides (1,2, reviewed in 3). This process is catalyzed by thymidylate synthase (TS or TYMS), a homodimer composed of two 30 kDa subunits. TS is an intracellular enzyme that provides the sole *de novo* source of thymidylate, making it a required enzyme in DNA biosynthesis with activity highest in proliferating cells (1). Being the exclusive source of dTMP, investigators have concluded that TS is also an important target for anticancer agents such as 5-fluorouracil (5-FU) (1-5). 5-FU acts as a TS inhibitor and is active against solid tumors such as colon, breast, head, and neck. Research studies have demonstrated that patients with metastases expressing lower levels of TS have a higher response rate to treatment with 5-FU than patients with tumors that have increased levels of TS (5). Researchers continue to investigate TS expression in different types of cancers (6-10).

Levels of thymidylate synthase can be modulated *in vitro* by treatment with various drugs, such as 5-FU and lapatinib. 5-FU treatment induces the formation of two distinct bands, one at 35 kDa and another at 38 kDa, while lapatinib treatment results in a decrease in thymidylate synthase expression (11,12).

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Species Reactivity

Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).

Western Blot Buffer

IMPORTANT: For western blots, incubate membrane with diluted primary antibody in 5% w/v BSA, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween® 20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.

Applications Key

W: Western Blotting **IHC-P:** Immunohistochemistry (Paraffin) **IF-IC:** Immunofluorescence (Immunocytochemistry) **FC-FP:** Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)

Cross-Reactivity Key

H: Human **M:** Mouse **R:** Rat **Mk:** Monkey

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