Detection of eNOS in Formalin-Fixed, Paraffin-Embedded Rat Tissue

Reagent and Antibody Information

1X Wash Buffer
3% Hydrogen Peroxide
1% BSA Diluent
1X Citrate Buffer
Normal Rabbit IgG – Affinity Purified
DAB Chromogen
Hematoxylin

Blocking Serum: Normal Goat Serum
Jackson Immunoresearch Laboratories, Inc.
West Grove, PA 19390
www.jacksonimmuno.com
1-800-367-5296
Catalog # 005-000-121

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

Primary Antibody: Rabbit Anti-eNOS (NOS3) Antibody Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc. Santa Cruz, CA 95060 www.scbt.com 1-800-457-3801 Catalog # sc-654

<u>Secondary Antibody: Biotinylated Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L)</u> Vector Laboratories, Inc.

Burlingame, CA 94010 www.vectorlabs.com 1-800-227-6666 Catalog # BA-1000

Label Complex: R.T.U. Vectastain Elite ABC Reagent

Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA 94010 www.vectorlabs.com 1-800-227-6666 Catalog # PK-7100

Staining Procedure

Positive Control Tissue: Heart (endothelial cells)

Stain Localization: Cytoplasmic

1. Deparaffinize and hydrate slides through the following solutions:

Solution	Repetitions	Time
Xylene	2 times	5 minutes
100% Ethanol	2 times	3 minutes
95% Ethanol	2 times	3 minutes
1X Wash Buffer	2 times	5 minutes

- 2. Quench endogenous peroxidase by placing the slides in 3% hydrogen peroxide for 15 minutes.
- 3. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each.

4.	4. <u>Heat-Induced Epitope Retrieval Using The Decloaker</u>				
	Add 500 ml of distilled water to the pan inside the decloaker.				
	Place a full rack of slides into a Tissue Tek® container with 200 ml of 1X citrate buffer				
	(Insert blank slides into any empty slots in the rack to ensure even heating of slides)				
	Place the container stably inside the pan and decloak for 5 minutes. <i>Maximum Pressure</i>				
	Depressurize for 10 minutes.				
	Remove pan top and cool for 10 minutes. <i>Temperature Before Cooling Slides</i>				
	Rinse the slides in 2 changes of distilled water for 3 minutes each time.				
5	Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each time.				
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6. Block with 10% normal goat serum for 20 minutes at room temperature.					
	Lot # Date Reconstituted				
	DO NOT RINSE SLIDES. CONTINUE TO AVIDIN-BIOTIN BLOCK.				
7.	Avidin / Biotin Blocking Kit				
	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 SECTIONS WITH BUFFER BEFORE ADDING PRIMARY ANTIBODY.					
	ONLY WIPE EXCESS BLOCK.				
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ð.	3. Apply primary antibody at a 1:1000 dilution. Incubate for 1 hour at room temperature.				
	Lot # Exp. Date				

For negative control slides, dilute normal rabbit IgG so that it's IgG protein concentration matches that of the primary antibody (if necessary). Then make a 1:1000 dilution. If the concentrations can't be matched using this method, the dilution for the negative reagent may need to be adjusted. Apply the

negative and incubate for 1 hour at room temperature.			
Lot # Exp. Date			
9. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each time.			
 Apply the goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody at a 1:500 dilution. Incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature. 			
Lot # Date Reconstituted			
11. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each time.			
12. Apply the Vectastain R.T.U. Elite Label and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature. Exp. Date New Kit: yes / no			
13. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each time.			
14. Apply the DAB chromogen. 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			
15. Rinse the slides in tap water 3 minutes.			
16. Counterstain with hematoxylin for 20 seconds.			
17. Rinse the slides in tap water until water is clear.			
18. Gently agitate slides in 1X wash buffer until the tissues turn blue.			
19. Dehydrate through the following solutions:			

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

20. Coverslip

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