

3050 Spruce Street
Saint Louis, Missouri 63103 USA
Telephone (800) 325-5832 (314) 771-5765
Fax (314) 286-7828
email: techserv@sial.com
sigma-aldrich.com

ProductInformation

Anti-PAT

Produced in Rabbit, Affinity Isolated Antibody

Product Number P0374

Product Description

Anti-PAT is developed in rabbit using as immunogen a synthetic peptide corresponding to amino acids 141-157 located near the C-terminus of *Streptomyces hygroscopicus* PAT, conjugated to KLH. The antibody is affinity-purified using the immunizing peptide immobilized on agarose.

Anti-PAT recognizes bacterial PAT expressed in transgenic tobacco plants. Applications include the detection of PAT by immunoblotting (21 kDa). Staining of the PAT band by immunoblotting is specifically inhibited with the PAT immunizing peptide (*S. hygroscopicus*, amino acids 141-157).

The most commonly used selection markers in plant transformation are the bacterial bar gene encoding for the phosphinotricin acetyl transferase (PAT) and the gene encoding for neomycin phosphotransferase II (NPTII). The bar/pat gene was isolated from Streptomyces hygroscopicus.^{2,3} It encodes a small (21 kDa) protein. The pat gene confers resistance to the glufosinate ammonium herbicides bialaphos (BASTA), and phosphinotricin (PPT). 3-5 PAT belongs to the family of acetyltransferases. It acetylates and inactivates the herbicides bialaphos and PPT. PAT can be used to detect relative transfection efficiencies in cells where multiple transfections are performed in parallel with different plasmids. PAT has been used routinely as a resistance gene in the production of genetically engineered crops and for the production of herbicide resistant crops. 6-10 The *pat* gene is an approved food additive for use as a processing aid in the development of new varieties of crops, including wheat, corn, and rice.

Reagent

The antibody is supplied as a solution in 0.01 M phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4, containing 15 mM sodium azide.

Antibody Concentration: ~2.5 mg/mL

Precautions and Disclaimer

Due to the sodium azide content, a material safety data sheet (MSDS) for this product has been sent to the

attention of the safety officer of your institution. Consult the MSDS for information regarding hazardous and safe handling practices.

Storage/Stability

For continuous use, store at 2-8 °C for up to one month. For extended storage, freeze in working aliquots. Repeated freezing and thawing is not recommended. Storage in "frost-free" freezers is also not recommended. If slight turbidity occurs upon prolonged storage, clarify the solution by centrifugation before use. Working dilutions should be discarded if not used within 12 hours.

Product Profile

By immunoblotting, a working antibody concentration of 2-4 μ g/mL is recommended using an extract (cytosolic fraction) of leaves from transgenic *Nicotiana tabacum* expressing the PAT gene for *Streptomyces hygroscopicus*.

Note: In order to obtain the best results using various techniques and preparations, we recommend determining the optimal working dilutions by titration.

References

- Miki, B., and McHugh, S., J. Biotechnol., 107, 193-232 (2004).
- 2. White, J., et al., Nucleic Acid Res., **18**, 1062 (1989).
- D'Halluin, K., et al., Methods Enzymol., 216, 415-426 (1992).
- Botterman. J., et al., Gene, 102, 33-37 (1991).
- Goodwin, J.L., et al., Methods Mol. Biol., 286, 191-202 (2005).
- 6. Rathore, K.S., et al., Plant Mol. Biol., **21**, 871-884 (1993).
- Weeks, J.T., et al., Plant Physiol., 102, 1077-1084 (1993).
- 8. Wehrmann, A., et al., Nature Biotechnol., **14**, 1274-1278 (1996).
- 9. Melchiorre, M.N., et al., Biocell., **26**, 217-223 (2002).
- Oberdoerfer, R.B., et al., J. Agric. Food Chem., 53, 1457-1465 (2005).

KAA/ER 10/05