

**ORDERING INFORMATION****Catalog Number:** PA-ST6**Lot Number:** RW07**Size:** 200  $\mu$ L**Storage:** -20° C**Specificity:** STAT 6**Immunogen:** aa 818 - 837 of human  
STAT 6**Host:** Rabbit**Applications:** Western blot  
Immunoprecipitation**Preparation**

Rabbits were immunized with the synthetic peptide HYGQSGISMHMDLRANPSW which corresponds to amino acids 818 - 837 of human STAT 6.

**Formulation**

Lyophilized from 0.2 mL antiserum containing 0.02% sodium azide.

**Reconstitution**

Dissolve in 0.2 mL water.

**Storage**

Avoid repeated freezing and thawing by aliquoting smaller portions of the reconstituted serum into Eppendorf tubes and storing at -20° C or -70° C in a **manual defrost freezer**.

**Specificity**

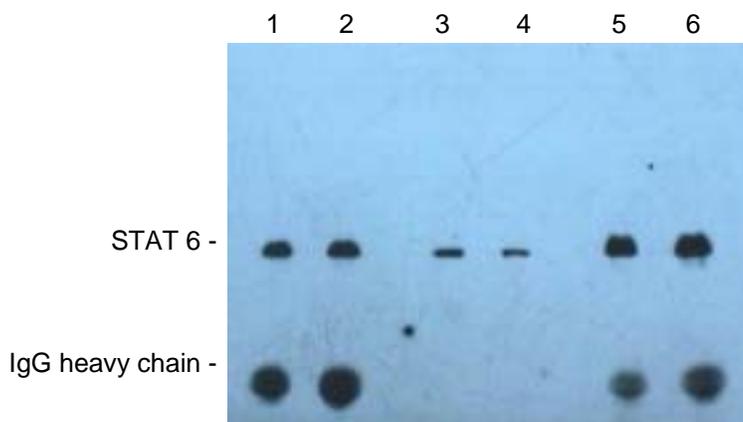
The antiserum is known to react with human and murine STAT 6. This antiserum does not crossreact with any of the other Stat proteins.

**Western blot**

A 1:2,000 dilution of the reconstituted anti-serum is recommended.

**Immunoprecipitation**

3 - 6  $\mu$ L per immunoprecipitation of STAT 6 from  $10^6$  -  $10^7$  cells is recommended.

**Figure:**

Western blot of STAT 6 immunoprecipitated from  $1 \times 10^6$  TF1 cells (lane 1 and 2) and from  $2 \times 10^6$  human peripheral blood lymphocytes (lanes 5 and 6). Immunoprecipitation was with 3  $\mu$ L (lanes 1 and 5) or 6  $\mu$ L (lanes 2 and 6) of antiserum. Lanes 3 and 4 are the respective immunoblots of the total cell lysate from  $6 \times 10^5$  and  $3 \times 10^5$  TF1 cells. Proteins were electrophoresed on 5 - 15% polyacrylamide gels and immunoreactive bands were detected by the ECL system (Amersham) procedure. All procedures are described on the following page.

## ***Protocols for Immunoprecipitation and Immunoblotting with anti-STAT 6:***

### **Cell lysis for immunoprecipitations:**

Cells, grown in suspension, are rinsed three times with phosphate buffered saline by centrifugation. Cell protein is extracted by solubilizing the cell pellet at  $1 \times 10^6$  -  $1 \times 10^7$  cells per mL of cold extraction buffer (20 mM Tris, pH 7.5, 150 mM NaCl, 2 mM EDTA, 1% NP-40, 0.02%  $\text{NaN}_3$ , 10 mM NaF, 1 mM sodium ortho-vanadate, 0.25 mM phenylmethylsulfonyl fluoride, 1  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  aprotinin, 1  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  leupeptin, and 1  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  chymoSTATin) and rocking the mixture at  $2 - 8^\circ \text{C}$  for 30 - 60 minutes. The lysate is then centrifuged at  $12,000 \times g$  for 5 minutes to remove insoluble material. One mL of cell lysate is precleared by incubation with 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of a 20% suspension of fixed Staph A cells (Immunoprecipitin, BRL/Gibco) for 5 minutes on ice. Staph A cells are pelleted by centrifugation at  $12,000 \times g$  for 0.5 minute in a Eppendorf centrifuge, the supernatant is transferred to a new tube, and the preclearing is repeated one or more times. The Staph A cells had been washed three times with extraction buffer before being added to the extracts.

### **Immunoprecipitation:**

Rabbit anti-STAT 6 is added to the 1 mL extract and the mixture is rocked for 1 hour at  $2 - 8^\circ \text{C}$ . Staph A cells (25  $\mu\text{L}$  of a 20% suspension) are then added and the mixture is rocked in the cold for another hour. The staph A-absorbed complexes are centrifuged for 0.5 minutes in an Eppendorf centrifuge, resuspended in extraction buffer by trituration with a glass Pasteur pipet, and then repelleted. The complexes are washed a total of four times with extraction buffer, and then suspended in phosphate buffered saline and transferred to a new tube before the final centrifugation. The washed pellet is suspended in 25  $\mu\text{L}$  of 2x SDS gel sample buffer (20 mM dithiothreitol, 6% SDS, 0.25 M Tris, pH 6.8, 10% glycerol, and bromophenyl blue) by vortexing and then incubated for 3 minutes in a boiling water bath. Staph A cells are pelleted and the supernatant is loaded on a polyacrylamide gel.

### **Total cell lysates for immunoblotting:**

The cell pellet is solubilized in hot 2x SDS gel sample buffer at  $1 \times 10^7$  -  $1 \times 10^8$  cells per ml and heated in a boiling water bath for 5 minutes. When the material is too viscous to pipet, it is sonicated for 10 - 20 seconds. Samples are diluted with 1x SDS sample buffer to the desired concentration.

### **Western blotting:**

Proteins, electrophoresed on 14 cm x 9 cm x 1.5 mm, 5-15% polyacrylamide gradient gels, are transferred to Immobilon filters (Millipore) at room temperature at 250 mA per slab for 1 hour on a MilliBlot-Graphite Electroblotter II (Millipore). After blocking with 3% BSA in TBS (50 mM Tris, pH 7.4, 0.5 M NaCl, 0.05% Tween 20) for 1 hour at room temperature, the membrane is incubated overnight at  $2 - 8^\circ \text{C}$  in TBS containing 1% BSA and a 1 : 2,000 dilution of rabbit anti-STAT 6 serum. The membrane is washed for 1 hour with 5 or more changes of TBS and then incubated with TBS containing 1% BSA and a 1 : 1,000 dilution of HRP-conjugated protein A (Amersham) for 1 hour at room temperature. The filter is washed as described for the primary antibody and immunodetected bands are visualized with the ECL system of Amersham.