

ZytoLight
SPEC SS18/SSX1 TriCheck Probe

REF Z-2184-50

5 (0.05 ml)

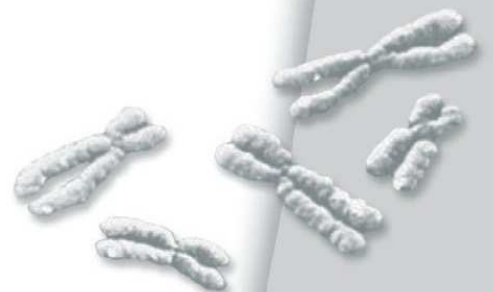
For the detection of SS18-SSX1 rearrangements
by fluorescence *in situ* hybridization (FISH)



IVD

In vitro diagnostic medical device

according to EU directive 98/79/EC



Fluorescence-labeled polynucleotide probe for the detection of
SS18-SSX1 rearrangements,
ready to use

Product Description

- Content:** ZytoLight SPEC SS18/SSX1 TriCheck Probe (PL142) in hybridization buffer. The probe contains green-labeled polynucleotides (ZyGreen: excitation at 503 nm and emission at 528 nm, similar to FITC), which target sequences mapping in 18q11.2 proximal to the SS18 gene, orange-labeled polynucleotides (ZyOrange: excitation at 547 nm and emission at 572 nm, similar to rhodamine), which target sequences mapping in 18q11.2 distal to the SS18 gene, and blue-labeled polynucleotides (ZyBlue: excitation at 418 nm and emission at 467 nm, similar to DEAC), which target sequences mapping in Xp11.23 proximal to the SSX1 gene.
- Product:** Z-2184-50: 0.05 ml (5 reactions of 10 µl each)
- Specificity:** The ZytoLight SPEC SS18/SSX1 TriCheck Probe (PL142) is designed to be used for the detection of rearrangements involving the SS18 gene at 18q11.2 and the genes SSX1 and SSX4 at Xp11.23 as well as the SSX2 gene at Xp11.22 in formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue or cells by fluorescence *in situ* hybridization (FISH).
- Storage/Stability:** The ZytoLight SPEC SS18/SSX1 TriCheck Probe (PL142) must be stored at 2...8°C protected from light and is stable through the expiry date printed on the label.
- Use:** This product is designed for *in vitro* diagnostic use (according to EU directive 98/79/EC). Interpretation of results must be made within the context of the patient's clinical history with respect to

further clinical and pathologic data of the patient by a qualified pathologist!

Safety Precautions:

Read the operating instructions prior to use!

Do not use the reagents after the expiry date has been reached!

This product contains substances (in low concentrations and volumes) that are harmful to health. Avoid any direct contact with the reagents. Take appropriate protective measures (use disposable gloves, protective glasses, and lab garments)!

If reagents come into contact with skin, rinse skin immediately with copious quantities of water!

A material safety data sheet is available on request for the professional user!

Principle of the Method

The presence of certain nucleic acid sequences in cells or tissue can be detected by *in situ* hybridization using labeled DNA probes. The hybridization results in duplex formation of sequences present in the test object with the labeled DNA probe.

Duplex formation (with sequences of the chromosomal regions 18q11.2 and Xp11.23 in the test material) is directly detected by using the tags of fluorescence-labeled polynucleotides.

Instructions

Pretreatment (dewaxing, proteolysis, post-fixation) should be carried out according to the needs of the user.

Denaturation and hybridization of probe:

1. Pipette 10 μ l ZytoLight SPEC SS18/SSX1 TriCheck Probe (PL142) each onto individual samples

A gentle warming of the probe, as well as using a pipette tip which has been cut off to increase the size of the opening, can make the pipetting process easier. Avoid long exposure of the probe to light.

2. Avoiding trapped bubbles, cover the samples with a coverslip (22 mm x 22 mm). Seal the coverslip, e.g. with a layer of hot glue from an adhesive pistol or with rubber cement

3. Denature the slides at 75°C ($\pm 2^\circ\text{C}$) for 10 min, e.g. on a hot plate

Depending upon the age of the sample and variations in the fixation stage, it may be necessary to optimize the denaturing temperature (73°C-77°C).

4. Transfer the slide to a humidity chamber and hybridize overnight at 37°C (e.g. in a hybridization oven)

It is essential that the tissue/cell samples do not dry out during the hybridization step.

Further processing, such as washing and counter-staining, can be completed according to the user's needs. For a particularly user-friendly performance, we recommend the use of a *ZytoLight* FISH system by ZytoVision. These systems were also used for the confirmation of appropriateness of the *ZytoLight* SPEC SS18/SSX1 TriCheck Probe (PL142).

Results

With the use of appropriate filter sets, the hybridization signals of the labeled chromosomal region 18q11.2, comprising the SS18 gene, appear green and orange, the hybridization signals of the labeled chromosomal region Xp11.23 (SSX1/4) appear blue.

In interphases of normal female cells or female cells without SS18-SSX1/4 or SS18-SSX2 rearrangements, two green/orange fusion signals appear when using an appropriate dual bandpass filter set, and two blue signals appear when using an appropriate single bandpass filter set (see fig. 1).

In interphases of normal male cells or male cells without SS18-SSX1/4 or SS18-SSX2 rearrangements, two green/orange fusion signals appear when using an appropriate dual bandpass filter set, and one blue signal appears when using an appropriate single bandpass filter set (see fig. 2).

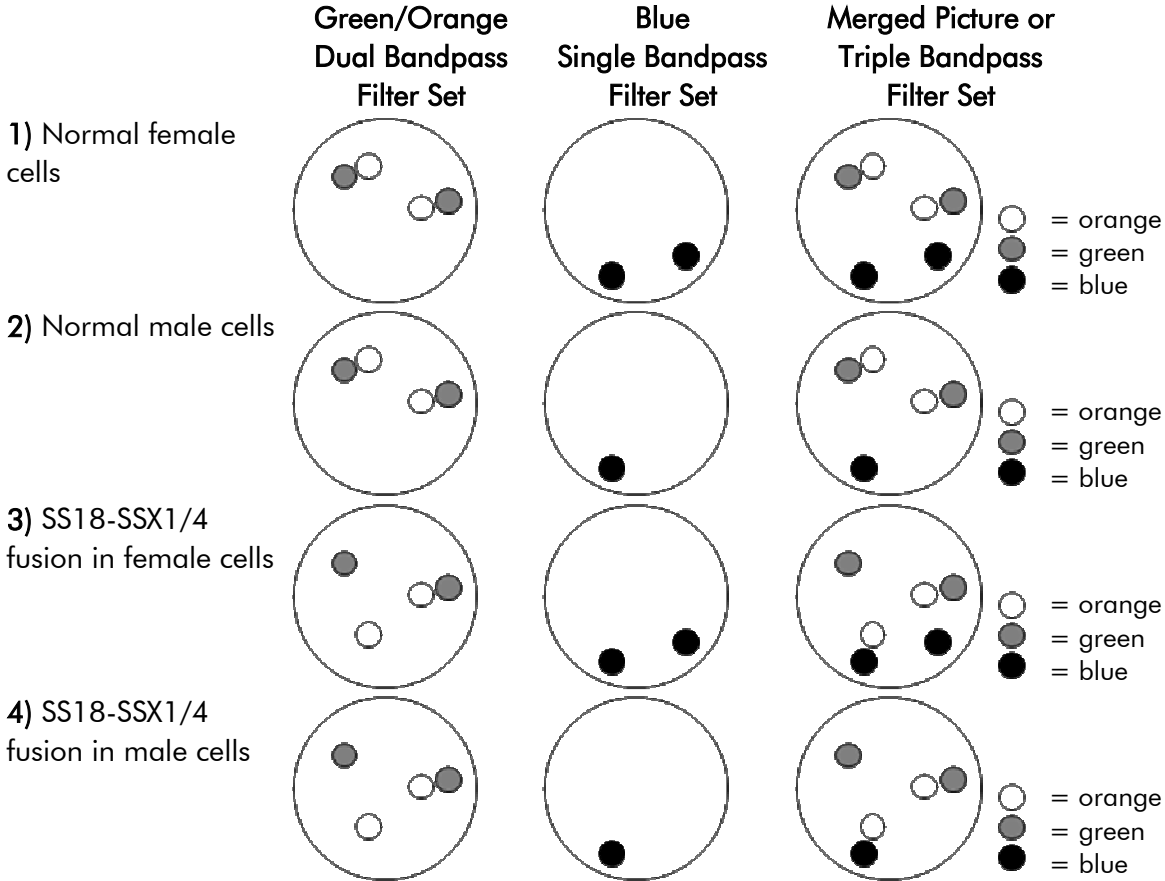
In female as well as in male cells, an SS18-SSX1/4 fusion is indicated by one separate orange signal co-localizing with one blue signal and one separate green signal (see fig. 3+4).

In female as well as in male cells, an SS18-SSX2 fusion is indicated by one separate green signal co-localizing with one blue signal and one separate orange signal (see fig. 5+6).

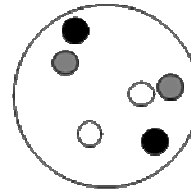
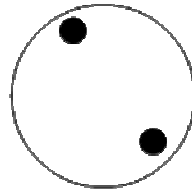
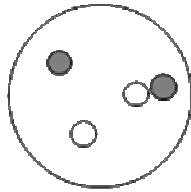
In female as well as in male cells, an SS18 translocation without involvement of SSX1/2/4 is indicated by the split of one green/orange fusion signal without co-localization with one blue signal (see fig. 7+8).

In order to judge the specificity of the signals, every hybridization should be accompanied by controls. We recommend using at least one control sample in which the SS18-SSX1/2/4 status is known.

Care should be taken not to evaluate overlapping cells, in order to avoid false results, e.g. an amplification of genes. Due to decondensed chromatin, single FISH signals can appear as small signal clusters. Thus, two or three signals of the same size, separated by a distance equal to or less than the diameter of one signal, should be counted as one signal.

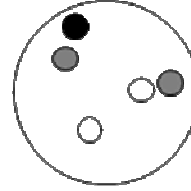
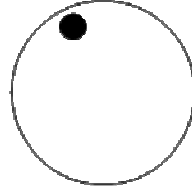
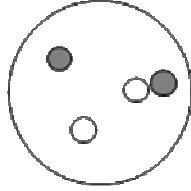


5) SS18-SSX2 fusion
in female cells



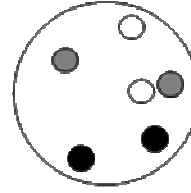
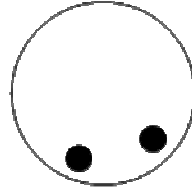
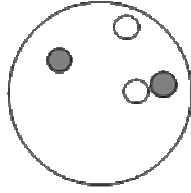
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● = green
● = blue

6) SS18-SSX2 fusion
in male cells



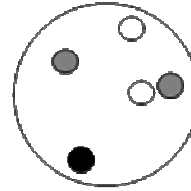
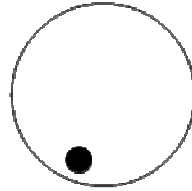
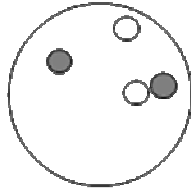
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7) SS18 translocation
not affecting
SSX1/2/4 in female
cells



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6) SS18 translocation
not affecting
SSX1/2/4 in male
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Our experts are available to answer your questions.

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