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**Anti-Conjugated GABA (Gamma-Aminobutyric acid)  
RABBIT POLYCLONAL  
AB-T10**

**Example of ELISA protocol used to test conjugated GABA:**

1. Coating of conjugated GABA ( $10\mu\text{g/ml}$ ) in maxisorp well plates (Nunc) with a solution of sodium carbonate buffer  $0.05\text{M}$  ( $\text{pH } 9.6$ ), during sixteen hours at  $4^\circ\text{C}$ .
2. Saturation of well plates with of a solution of PBS ( $\text{pH } 7.3$ ) containing  $1\text{g/l}$  of BSA (Acros),  $10\%$  of glycerol and  $0.5\%$  of Tween (one hour at  $37^\circ\text{C}$ ).
3. Wash with PBS containing  $0.5\%$  of Tween (PBS Tween) (three times).
4. Anti-conjugated GABA antibodies will be diluted ( $1/1,000$ - $1/5,000$ ) in PBS Tween containing  $1\text{g/l}$  BSA,  $1\text{g/l}$  of BSA-G and  $10\%$  of glycerol,  $200\mu\text{l}$  by well plate (incubating during 2 hours at  $37^\circ\text{C}$ ).
5. Wash with PBS Tween (three times).
6.  $200\mu\text{l}$  of peroxidase-labeled goat anti-rabbit (Jackson) diluted ( $1/10,000$ ) in a solution of PBS Tween containing  $1\text{g/l}$  of BSA, will be applied by well plate (during one hour at  $37^\circ\text{C}$ ).
7. Well plates will be rinsed with PBS Tween (three times).
8. And finally the peroxidase will be developed by incubating  $200\mu\text{l}$  by well plate of a citrate  $0.1\text{M}$ /phosphate  $0.2\text{M}$  ( $\text{pH } 5$ ) solution containing  $0.4\%$  of OPD (Sigma) and  $0.03\%$  of hydrogen peroxide (Acros) for ten minutes in the dark, after that, we will stop the reaction by the addition of  $50\mu\text{l}$  of  $2\text{M}$  HCl.
9. The optical density will be measured at  $492\text{nm}$ .

**Example of Immunohistochemistry used to test conjugated GABA:**

**Detection of conjugated GABA in rat brain**

1. Perfusion: The rat is anaesthetized with sodium Pentobarbital or Nembutal and perfused intracardially through the aorta using a pump with the following solutions:  
solution A ( $30\text{ml}$ ):  $200$ - $300\text{ml/min}$   
solution B ( $500\text{ml}$ ):  $200$ - $300\text{ml/min}$   
Solution A: cacodylate  $0.1\text{M}$ , sodium metabisulfite  $10\text{g/l}$ ,  $\text{pH} = 6.2$   
Solution B: cacodylate  $0.1\text{M}$ , sodium metabisulfite  $10\text{g/l}$  and glutaraldehyde  $3$ - $5\%$ ;  $\text{pH} = 7.5$
2. Post fixation:  $15$  to  $30$  min in solution B, then 4 soft washes in Tris  $0.05\text{M}$  with sodium metabisulfite  $8.5\text{g/l}$ ,  $\text{pH } 7.5$  (solution C).
3. Tissue sectioning: Cryostat or vibratome sections can be used.
4. Application of anti-conjugated GABA antibodies: The final dilution is  $1/1,000$  to  $1/5,000$  in solution C containing triton X100  $0.5\%$ , plus  $2\%$  of non-specific serum. A dozen of sections can be incubated with  $2\text{ml}$  of antibody solution overnight at  $4^\circ\text{C}$ . Then, after this period, the sections are washed 3 times ( $10$  min) with solution C.

Note: Antibodies may be used at a higher dilution. The customer should explore the antibody dilution to reduce the possibility of high background. Note that a substitution in the buffer system as used in our protocol may change the background and the antibody recognition.

5. PAP procedure:  
Second antibody: Sections are incubated with  $1/100$  dilution of goat anti-rabbit in solution C for 3 hours at  $20^\circ\text{C}$  or 1 hour at  $37^\circ\text{C}$ . Then, they are washed 3 times ( $10$  min) with solution C;  
PAP: Sections are incubated with  $1/1,000$  dilution of rabbit peroxidase anti-peroxidase complex in solution C for 1 hour at  $37^\circ\text{C}$ . Then, they are washed 3 times ( $10$  min) with solution C;  
Revelation: Antibody-antigen complexes are revealed using diaminobenzidine ( $25\text{mg}/100\text{ml}$ ) (or other chromogen) dissolved in Tris  $0.05\text{M}$  and filtrated;  $0.05\%$  of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  is added. The sections are incubated for  $10$  min at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ . Reaction is stopped by transferring sections in  $5\text{ml}$  of Tris  $0.05\text{M}$ .