

## DESCRIPTION

<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Human
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects human MMP-16/MT3-MMP in direct ELISAs and Western blots.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Goat IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Antigen Affinity-purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	<i>E. coli</i> -derived recombinant human MMP-16/MT3-MMP Ala32-Gly291 (Ile152Asn) Accession # P51512
<b>Formulation</b>	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details. *Small pack size (-SP) is supplied as a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS.

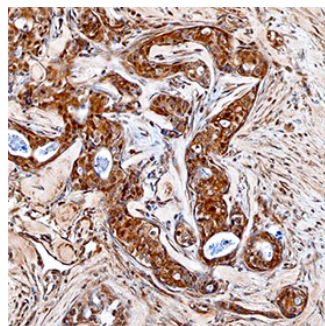
## APPLICATIONS

**Please Note:** Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. *General Protocols* are available in the *Technical Information* section on our website.

	<b>Recommended Concentration</b>	<b>Sample</b>
<b>Western Blot</b>	0.1 µg/mL	Recombinant Human MMP-16/MT3-MMP (Catalog # <a href="#">1785-MP</a> )
<b>Immunohistochemistry</b>	5-15 µg/mL	See Below
<b>Immunoprecipitation</b>	25 µg/mL	Conditioned cell culture medium spiked with Recombinant Human MMP-16/MT3-MMP (Catalog # <a href="#">1785-MP</a> ), see our available <a href="#">Western blot detection antibodies</a>

## DATA

### Immunohistochemistry



**MMP-16/MT3-MMP in Human Breast.**  
MMP-16/MT3-MMP was detected in immersion fixed paraffin-embedded sections of human breast using Goat Anti-Human MMP-16/MT3-MMP Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF1785) at 15 µg/mL overnight at 4 °C. Tissue was stained using the Anti-Goat HRP-DAB Cell & Tissue Staining Kit (brown; Catalog # [CTS008](#)) and counterstained with hematoxylin (blue). Specific staining was localized to cytoplasm of epithelial cells. View our protocol for [Chromogenic IHC Staining of Paraffin-embedded Tissue Sections](#).

## PREPARATION AND STORAGE

<b>Reconstitution</b>	Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
<b>Shipping</b>	The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below. *Small pack size (-SP) is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20 to -70 °C
<b>Stability &amp; Storage</b>	<b>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.</li> <li>● 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> <li>● 6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> </ul>

## BACKGROUND

Matrix metalloproteinases (MMPs) are a family of zinc and calcium dependent endopeptidases with the combined ability to degrade all the components of the extracellular matrix (ECM). MMP-16 (MT3-MMP) is found in brain, lung, placenta, smooth muscle cells, and malignant tumor tissues including oral melanoma and renal carcinoma (1). MMP-16 has been shown to activate proMMP-2 and degrade various ECM components including native collagens (2, 3). MMP-16 has been proposed to possess the potential to directly enhance the growth and invasiveness of cells *in vivo*, two critical processes for development and carcinogenesis (4). Structurally, MMP-16 consists of the following domains: a pro domain containing the furin cleavage site, a catalytic domain containing the zinc-binding site, a hinge region, a hemopexin-like domain, a transmembrane domain, and a cytoplasmic tail (1). The structure of the catalytic domain in complex with a hydroxamate inhibitor has been solved (5). The rhMMP-16PC consists of the pro and catalytic domains, which can be activated by treatment with furin.

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