

HOTLINE: Effective October 4, 2021

## 3000197 PD-L1 22C3 IHC with Combined Positive Score (CPS) Interpretation, pembrolizumab (KEYTRUDA)

22C3 GAST

Specimen Required: Collect: Tumor tissue.

Specimen Preparation: Formalin fix (10 percent neutral buffered formalin) and paraffin embed specimen. Protect paraffin block and/or slides from excessive heat. Transport tissue block or 5 unstained (3- to 5-micron thick sections), positively charged slides in a tissue transport kit (ARUP supply #47808 recommended but not required), available online through eSupply using ARUP Connector contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787. (Min: 3 slides) If sending precut slides, do not oven bake.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Room temperature. Also acceptable: Refrigerated. Ship in cooled container during summer months. <u>Remarks:</u> Include surgical pathology report and indicate tissue site with the test order. For additional technical details, please contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787.

If multiple specimens (blocks or slides) are sent to ARUP, they must be accompanied by one of the following: an order comment indicating that the ARUP pathologist should choose the specimen most appropriate for testing (e.g., "Choose best block"), or individual orders for each sample submitted. A Pathologist Block Selection Fee (ARUP test code 3002076) will be added to orders that utilize the first option. If multiple specimens are sent to ARUP without a request for pathologist block/slide selection or individual orders, they will be held until clarification is provided.

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Paraffin block with no tumor tissue remaining; specimens fixed in any fixative other than 10 percent neutral buffered formalin. Decalcified specimens. Specimens with fewer than 100 viable tumor cells. Nonindicated tumor types, including non-small cell lung carcinomas and urothelial carcinomas.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Slides: Ambient: 5 months (Must be stored in the dark); Refrigerated: 5 months (Must be stored in the dark); Frozen: Unacceptable

Paraffin Block: Ambient: Indefinitely; Refrigerated: Indefinitely; Frozen: Unacceptable