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# PD-L1

## Programmed Death Ligand 1 Immunohistochemistry

### **Specimen Information**

Gastric Biopsy (S-72/2024)

## **Clinical History**

Poorly differentiated adenocarcinomas

### Methodology

Immunohistochemistry

### **Immunohistochemistry Studies**

Markers (Clone)	Results	Image
PD-L1 (22C3)	Tumor Proportion Score: 0%	

#### **IHC Interpretation and Result**

- 1. Positive PD-L1 staining/expression is defined as complete and/or partial, circumferential or linear plasma membrane staining at any intensity that can be differentiated from background and diffuse cytoplasmic staining.
- 2. The Tumor Proportion Score is the percentage of viable tumor cells showing partial or complete membrane staining ( $\geq 1+$ ) relative to all viable tumor cells present in the sample (positive and negative).
- 3. Scoring is interpreted as follows :
  - No PD-L1 expression (TPS <1%)
  - Low PD-L1 expression (TPS 1-49%)
  - High PD-L1 expression (TPS  $\geq$  50%)
- 4. The tumor should be considered PD-L1 positive, and the patient with NSCLC is eligible for pembrolizumab first-line therapy if the specimen shows high PD-L1 expression (TPS ≥ 50%), while at least PD-L1 expression (1-49% TPS) is required for treatment in second-line or later.

- 5. Positive PD-L1 staining/expression is defined as complete and/or partial, circumferential or linear plasma membrane staining at any intensity that can be differentiated from background and diffuse cytoplasmic staining.
- 6. The percentage of tumor cells that exhibit PDL.1 expression is recorded as PD-L1 tumor cell (TC) score.
- Combined Positive Score (CPS), which is the number of PD-L1 staining cells (tumor cells, lymphocytes, macrophages\*) divided by the total viable tumor cells, multiplied by 100. Although the result of the calculation can exceed 100, the maximum score is defined as CPS 100.
- 8. Recurrent/ metastatic head and neck squamous cell carcinoma: The specimen should be considered to have PD-L1 expression if  $CPS \ge 1$ .
- Gastric or Gastroesophageal Junction (GEJ) Adenocarcinoma: The specimen should be considered to have PD-L1 expression if CPS ≥ 1.
- 10. Cervical cancer: The specimen should be considered to have PD-L1 expression if  $CPS \ge 1$ .
- 11. Urothelial cancer: The specimen should be considered to have PD-L1 expression if  $CPS \ge 10$ .
- 12. Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma: CPS greater than or equal to 10 PD-L1 IHC 22C3 pharmDx is indicated as an aid in identifying esophageal squamous cell cancer patients for treatment with KEYTRUDA® (pembrolizumab).

#### Comments

Programmed Cell Death Ligand 1 (PD-L1) [also called B7 Homolog 1 (B7-HI) or CD274] is a protein encoded by the CD274 gene. It
is crucial in maintaining immune homeostasis. PD-L1 works by attaching to the T-cell receptors called PD1 and B7.1 (both inactivate
T cells). PD-L1 is an important prognostic and theranostic biomarker in the study of several neoplasms. PDL1 overexpression may
facilitate tumor growth & metastasis, and has been observed in carcinomas of Lung, Thymus, Bladder, Colon, Pancreas, Ovary,
Kidney, Breast, Melanoma and Glioblastoma.

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