**Description:** This antiserum was raised in a rabbit by immunization with a bovine serum albumin (BSA) conjugate of synthetic GRP (porcine) peptide<sup>1)</sup>. The product vial contains 50  $\mu$ L of the titled antiserum obtained by lyophilizing its 0.001 M phosphate buffer (pH 7.0, 0.5mL) solution. The antiserum recognizes the N-terminal to central portion of the porcine GRP sequence when used in a low diluted solution and the C-terminal portion in a high diluted solution<sup>2)</sup>. It can be used for immunoassay, immunohistochemistry or any other immunoreaction with GRP.

Immunogen: Synthetic GRP (porcine)-BSA conjugate Host: Rabbit

Amino Acid Sequence of GRP (Porcine)1): APVSVGGGTV LAKMYPRGNH WAVGHLM-NH2

**Product Form:** Lyophilized unpurified serum Size:  $50 \mu L$ 

**Reconstitution:** Reconstitute the product with 0.5mL of 0.01M PBS (pH 7.0) to make a 10 fold diluted stock solution. If it is stored in a refrigerator, add moderate antiseptic to the solution (e.g. NaN<sub>3</sub> 0.1%).

**Storage:** The product will be stable for over one year if it be stored at -20°C to -80°C until opened. Upon reconstitution, the antiserum solution must be stored at 2°C to 8°C and used within one month. Repeated freezing-thawing should be avoided.

**Suggested Working Dilution Range:** 1:40,000 (final dilution ~1:280,000) for radioimmunoassay<sup>2)</sup>; 1:1,000 -12,000 for immunohistochemistry (frozen or paraffin sections). Optimal dilution should be determined by each laboratory for each application.

**Specificity** (based on radioimmunoassay): GRP (porcine) 100%, GRP (14-27) (porcine) 261%, GRP (1-13) (porcine) 0%, bombesin 241%, substance P <0.001%<sup>2</sup>).

Positive Control (immunohistochemistry): Rat fundus

Species Tested: Rat, Human, Chicken, Porcine, Frog, Bovine, Tuna fish<sup>2-4)</sup>

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