



# Test Definition: STAT3

Phosphorylated STAT3 at Tyrosine 705 (pSTAT3-Y705), Technical Component Only

## Overview

### Useful For

Subclassification for anaplastic large cell lymphoma

### Reflex Tests

Test Id	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
IHTOA	IHC Additional, Tech Only	No	No
IHTOI	IHC Initial, Tech Only	No	No

### Testing Algorithm

For the initial technical component only immunohistochemical (IHC) stain performed, the appropriate bill-only test ID will be reflexed and charged (IHTOI). For each additional technical component only IHC stain performed, an additional bill-only test ID will be reflexed and charged (IHTOA).

### Method Name

Immunohistochemistry (IHC)

### NY State Available

Yes

## Specimen

### Specimen Type

TECHONLY

### Ordering Guidance

This test includes only technical performance of the stain; **no pathologist interpretation is provided.**

Technical component only stains **should not** be ordered with PATHC / Pathology Consultation. If ordered with PATHC, the technical component stains **will be canceled**. Any immunohistochemistry (IHC)/in situ hybridization (ISH) stain performed as a part of the PATHC will be performed at the reviewing pathologist's discretion at an additional charge.

### Shipping Instructions

Attach the green "Attention Pathology" address label (T498) and the pink Immunostain Technical Only label included in the kit to the outside of the transport container.

### Specimen Required

**Specimen Type:** Tissue

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**Supplies:** Immunostain Technical Only Envelope (T693)

**Container/Tube:** Immunostain Technical Only Envelope

**Submit:**

Formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue block

OR

2 Unstained, positively charged glass slides (25- x 75- x 1-mm) per test ordered; sections 4-microns thick

**Digital Image Access**

1. Information on accessing digital images of immunohistochemical (IHC) stains and the manual requisition form can be accessed through this website: <https://news.mayocliniclabs.com/pathology/digital-imaging/>
2. Clients ordering stains using a manual requisition form will not have access to digital images.
3. Clients wishing to access digital images must place the order for IHC stains electronically. Information regarding digital imaging can be accessed through this website: <https://news.mayocliniclabs.com/pathology/digital-imaging/#section3>

**Forms**

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a [Immunohistochemical \(IHC\)/In Situ Hybridization \(ISH\) Stains Request](#) (T763) with the specimen.

**Reject Due To**

Wet/frozen tissue Cytology smears Nonformalin fixed tissue Nonparaffin embedded tissue Noncharged slides ProbeOn slides Snowcoat slides	Reject
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**Specimen Stability Information**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
TECHONLY	Ambient (preferred)		
	Refrigerated		

**Clinical & Interpretive**

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**Clinical Information**

Among all STAT (signal transducers and activators of transcription) proteins, STAT3 plays a central role in development and carcinogenesis through its tight regulation on the gene transcription involved in cell proliferation, differentiation, apoptosis, angiogenesis, immune responses, and metastasis. In anaplastic large cell lymphoma, gene expression profiling studies have identified two overarching molecular subtypes based on the presence (type I) or absence (type II) of JAK-STAT3 pathway activation. Immunohistochemistry for phosphorylated STAT3 expression can be used as a surrogate marker for subtyping in cases of anaplastic large cell lymphoma.

**Interpretation**

This test does not include pathologist interpretation, only technical performance of the stain. If interpretation is required, order PATHC / Pathology Consultation for a full diagnostic evaluation or second opinion of the case.

The positive and negative controls are verified as showing appropriate immunoreactivity.

Interpretation of this test should be performed in the context of the patient's clinical history and other diagnostic tests by a qualified pathologist.

**Cautions**

This test has been validated for nondecalcified paraffin-embedded tissue specimens fixed in 10% neutral-buffered formalin. Recommended fixation time is between 6 and 48 hours. This assay has not been validated on tissues subjected to the decalcification process or use of alternative fixatives for bone and bone marrow specimens or cell blocks.

Age of a cut paraffin section can affect immunoreactivity. Stability thresholds vary widely among published literature and are antigen dependent. Best practice is for paraffin sections to be cut within 6 weeks.

**Clinical Reference**

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**Performance****Method Description**

Immunohistochemistry on sections of paraffin-embedded tissue.(Unpublished Mayo method)

**PDF Report**

No

**Day(s) Performed**

Monday through Friday

**Report Available**

1 to 3 days

**Specimen Retention Time**

Until staining is completed

**Performing Laboratory Location**

Mayo Clinic Laboratories - Rochester Main Campus

**Fees & Codes****Fees**

- Authorized users can sign in to [Test Prices](#) for detailed fee information.
- Clients without access to Test Prices can contact [Customer Service](#) 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Prospective clients should contact their account representative. For assistance, contact [Customer Service](#).

**Test Classification**

This test was developed and its performance characteristics determined by Mayo Clinic in a manner consistent with CLIA requirements. It has not been cleared or approved by the US Food and Drug Administration.

**CPT Code Information**

88342-TC, primary

88341-TC, if additional IHC

**LOINC® Information**

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC® Value
STAT3	pSTAT3-Y705 IHC, Tech Only	No LOINC Needed

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC® Value
622779	pSTAT3-Y705 IHC, Tech Only	No LOINC Needed