DROPLET DIGITAL[™] PCR (DDPCR[™])



What do you Gene



Guardian of the Genome

WHAT IS IT?



A tumor suppressor gene found on chromosome 17



TP53 contains instructions for making the p53 protein, which regulates cell division by keeping cells from proliferating too fast or in an uncontrolled way.



Located in the nucleus, p53 binds to DNA and helps determine if the cell will undergo apoptosis or be repaired due to DNA damage.

TP53 AND CANCER



In 1984, Wolf et al. found that **TP53 was inactivated by retroviral insertion** in a leukemia-transformed mouse cell line.



The study led to **the theory that TP53 is a tumor suppressor**, with subsequent studies confirming this hypothesis.



Somatic or Mendelian mutations in *TP53* greatly increase the risk of cancers by rendering p53 ineffective.



TP53 is **mutated in half of all types of cancer** including breast, bladder, lung, and ovarian.

TP53 IN LITERATURE

TP53 cited over 8,000 times p53 cited over 142,000 times



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• Bio-Rad offers 925 different *TP53* assays in the ddPCR catalog, with options for custom design.

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