Multicentric analytical comparability study of programmed death-ligand 1 expression on tumor-infiltrating immune cells and tumor cells in urothelial bladder cancer using four clinically developed immunohistochemistry assays

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Electronic supplementary material

Fig. S1. Example staining for (**a**) PD-L1-stained IC (5%) and (**b**) PD-L1-negative IC, with each assay. H&E = hematoxylin and eosin; IC = tumor-infiltrating immune cells; PD-L1 = programmed death-ligand 1

For readers of this publication, digital images of all cases stained with H&E, pan-cytokeratin or either of the four PD-L1 assays are available online at http://www.roche.de/pdl1testing



Fig. S2. Percentage of PD-L1-stained IC for each assay and each reader. IC =



22 20 24 30 17 18 2

R2

R1

tumor-infiltrating immune cells; PD-L1 = programmed death-ligand 1; R = reader

U R5

24 30 15 22 6

Reader

17 20 9

O R1 [★] R2 ◇ R3 △ R4

13 23 11 5

R5

28 10 8

26 19 16 21

R3

R4

Fig. S3. Percentage of PD-L1-stained TC for each assay and each reader. PD-L1 = programmed death-ligand 1; TC = tumor cells



Patients, n (%)	<1%	1–5%	>5%	All
	<i>n</i> = 10	<i>n</i> = 10	<i>n</i> = 10	<i>N</i> = 30
Biopsy type				
Cystectomy	8 (80)	7 (70)	7 (7)	22 (73)
Transurethral	2 (20)	3 (30)	3 (30)	8 (27)
resection				
TNM				
classification	3 (30)	4 (40)	3 (30)	10 (33)
pT2	7 (70)	6 (60)	7 (70)	20 (67)
pT3+				
BCG pre-				
treatment				
Yes	1 (10)	1 (10)	0 (0)	2 (7)
No	9 (90)	8 (80)	4 (40)	21 (70)
Information	0 (0)	1 (10)	6 (60)	7 (23)
missing		- -		

Table S1. Characteristics and clinical features of cases

TNM = tumour, node, and metastasis; BCG = Bacillus Calmette–Guérin

Table S2. Differences in adjusted means between assays for PD-L1-stained IC and

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PD-L1-positive IC			
	Difference in adjusted means		
Assay pair	(95% CI)	P value	
VENTANA SP142 – VENTANA SP263	1.1 (-0.6 to 2.8)	0.3500	
VENTANA SP142 – DAKO 22C3	1.6 (-0.1 to 3.3)	0.0646	
VENTANA SP142 – DAKO 28-8	1.3 (-0.4 to 3.0)	0.2029	
VENTANA SP263 – DAKO 22C3	0.5 (-1.2 to 2.2)	0.8442	
VENTANA SP263 – DAKO 28-8	0.2 (–1.5 to 1.9)	0.9900	
DAKO 22C3 – DAKO 28-8	-0.3 (-2.0 to 1.4)	0.9548	
	PD-L1-positive TC		
Assay pair	Difference in adjusted means (95% CI)	P value	
VENTANA SP142 – VENTANA SP263	-10.5 (-13.7 to -7.3)	<0.0001	
VENTANA SP142 – DAKO 22C3	-7.8 (-11.0 to -4.6)	<0.0001	
VENTANA SP142 – DAKO 28-8	-9.7 (-12.9 to -6.5)	<0.0001	
VENTANA SP263 – DAKO 22C3	2.7 (-0.5 to 5.9)	0.1325	
VENTANA SP263 – DAKO 28-8	0.8 (-2.4 to 3.9)	0.9251	
DAKO 22C3 – DAKO 28-8	-1.9 (-5.1 to 1.3)	0.4065	

CI = confidence interval; IC = tumor-infiltrating immune cells; PD-L1 = programmed

death-ligand 1; TC = tumor cells.

 Table S3. Inter-assay agreement Kappa values for each reader at different cutoffs

for IC

PD-L1-positive IC				
	Cutoff			
Reader	points (%)	n	Kappa (95% CI)	
R1	>1	30	0.642 (0.496–0.788)	
	>5	30	0.683 (0.536–0.829)	
	>10	30	0.440 (0.294–0.586)	
R2	>1	30	0.609 (0.462–0.755)	
	>5	30	0.751 (0.605–0.897)	
	>10	30	0.763 (0.617–0.909)	
R3	>1	27	0.672 (0.518–0.826)	
	>5	27	0.763 (0.609–0.917)	
	>10	27	0.609 (0.455–0.763)	
R4	>1	30	0.633 (0.487–0.779)	
	>5	30	0.811 (0.665–0.957)	
	>10	30	0.680 (0.534–0.826)	
R5	>1	30	0.923 (0.333–1.000)	
	>5	30	0.771 (0.625–0.918)	
	>10	30	0.711 (0.565–0.857)	

CI = confidence interval; IC = tumor-infiltrating immune cells; PD-L1 = programmed

death-ligand 1; R = reader

 Table S4. Inter-reader agreement Kappa values for each assay at different cutoffs

for IC

PD-L1-positive IC			
	Cutoff		
Assay	points (%)	n	Kappa (95% CI)
VENTANA SP142	>1	28	0.609 (0.492–0.726)
	>5	28	0.575 (0.458–0.692)
	>10	28	0.706 (0.589–0.823)
VENTANA SP263	>1	28	0.685 (0.568–0.802)
	>5	28	0.551 (0.434–0.668)
	>10	28	0.343 (0.225–0.460)
DAKO 22C3	>1	29	0.533 (0.418–0.648)
	>5	29	0.732 (0.617–0.847)
	>10	29	0.578 (0.463–0.693)
DAKO 28-8	>1	30	0.801 (0.687–0.914)
	>5	30	0.630 (0.516–0.743)
	>10	30	0.418 (0.305–0.532)

CI = confidence interval; IC = tumor-infiltrating immune cells; PD-L1 = rogrammed

death-ligand 1

 Table S5. Inter-assay agreement Kappa values for each reader at different cutoffs

for TC

PD-L1-positive TC			
	Cutoff		
Reader	points (%)	n	Kappa (95% CI)
R1	>1	30	0.761 (0.615–0.907)
	>5	30	0.752 (0.605–0.898)
	>10	30	0.771 (0.625–0.917)
R2	>1	30	0.570 (0.424–0.716)
	>5	30	0.560 (0.414–0.707)
	>10	30	0.659 (0.513–0.805)
R3	>1	28	0.702 (0.550–0.853)
	>5	28	0.844 (0.693–0.996)
	>10	28	0.807 (0.656–0.958)
R4	>1	30	0.678 (0.532–0.824)
	>5	30	0.704 (0.558–0.850)
	>10	30	0.656 (0.510–0.802)
R5	>1	30	0.673 (0.527–0.819)
	>5	30	0.650 (0.504–0.796)
	>10	30	0.644 (0.498–0.790)

CI = confidence interval; PD-L1 = programmed death-ligand 1; R = reader; TC =

tumor cells

 Table S6. Inter-reader agreement Kappa values for each assay at different cutoffs

for TC

PD-L1-positive TC				
Assay	Cutoff points (%)	n	Kappa (95% CI)	
VENTANA SP142	>1	28	0.572 (0.455–0.689)	
	>5	28	0.610 (0.493–0.727)	
	>10	28	0.726 (0.609–0.843)	
VENTANA SP263	>1	29	0.747 (0.632–0.862)	
	>5	29	0.769 (0.654–0.884)	
	>10	29	0.745 (0.630–0.860)	
DAKO 22C3	>1	29	0.640 (0.525–0.755)	
	>5	29	0.748 (0.633–0.863)	
	>10	29	0.707 (0.591–0.822)	
DAKO 28-8	>1	30	0.652 (0.539–0.766)	
	>5	30	0.638 (0.525–0.751)	
	>10	30	0.730 (0.617–0.843)	

CI = confidence interval; PD-L1 = programmed death-ligand 1; TC = tumor cells