Western Blotting

Lysis

- 1. Lyse tissue in 1x Laemmli buffer (10×10^6 cells in 250 μ l buffer) by shearing 3x through 20G needle and 5x through 25G needle (or by sonification)
- 2. Boil lysate 5 minutes at 100°C.
- 3. Spin 5 minutes, 13,000 rpm. Store at -20°C.

Electrophoresis

- 1. Load 40 μ l/slot on normal size SDS stacking gel or 20μ l/slot on minigel.
- 2. Run in 1x Tris-glycin-SDS buffer (Maniatis) for ca. 3 hours or 1 hour respectively at 34mA.
- 3. Wet transfer or semi-dry blotting onto SS 85BA nitrocellulose membrane.
- 4. Check transfer by Ponceau Red staining.

Antibody Reaction

- 1. Block membrane in 10 ml 5% blocking reagent (contained in the Amersham/ECL kit RPN 2108) in PBS-T (PBS+0.1% Tween-20) for >1 hour at RT.
- 2. Wash 3x 10 minutes with 30ml PBS-T.
- 3. Incubate filter with 10ml of 1st Ab solution (anti-Enhd1 1:500 in PBS-T) for 1 hour at RT.
- 4. Wash 5x 10 minutes with 30 ml PBS-T.
- 5. Incubate with 10ml 2nd antibody solution (ECL kit; use 1:5000 dilution of horseradish peroxidase labeled anti-rabbit Ab in 10ml PBS-T) for 45 minutes at RT.
- 6. Wash 5x 10 minutes with 30ml PBS-T.
- 7. Incubate membrane in ECL reagent 1 and 2 (1:1) as indicated by the manufacturer (ca. 1 minute)
- 8. Dry filter between 2 Whatmann papers. Wrap in Saran wrap and expose for 1 to 15 minutes on film.