

Instructions For Use IFU-127

Alcian Blue, pH 2.5

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Alcian Blue, pH 2.5 Solution SSC-ANCxxx

Description: The Alcian Blue Stain solution reacts to compounds containing anionic groups such as

acid mucosubstances and acid mucins. At pH 2.5, both carboxylated and sulfated

acidic mucosubstances are stained blue.

Uses/Limitations: Not to be taken internally. **Control Tissue:** Small or large Intestine

For In-Vitro Diagnostic use Appendix

only.

Histological applications.

Do not use past expiration date. Use caution when

handling reagents. Non-Sterile

Results: Acidic Mucosubstances- Blue

Neutral Polysaccharides-Magenta

Other substances and mixtures of the above may Appear purple. The color may range from blue

purple to violet

Nuclei-Blue if stained with Hematoxylin Nuclei-Red if stained with Nuclear Fast Red



Item Numbers:

<u>ltem #</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Storage</u>
SSC-ANC125	Alcian Blue Solution, pH 2.5	125 ml	18-25°C
SSC-ANC250	Alcian Blue Solution, pH 2.5	250 ml	18-25°C
SSC-ANC500	Alcian Blue Solution, pH 2.5	500 ml	18-25°C
SSC-ANC999	Alcian Blue Solution, pH 2.5	1000 ml	18-25°C
SSC-ANC3800	Alcian Blue Solution, pH 2.5	1 gallon	18-25°C

Note: Individual components are designed to be interchangeable with StatLab Special Stain kits when both are produced by StatLab and have identical catalog numbers (e.g. SSC-ANCxxx may be ordered as an individual component to replace Alcian Blue that is supplied with kit(s) containing Alcian Blue, pH 2.5.

Storage Conditions: Room Temperature (18-25°C)

Control Slides Available. Catalog: CS-ALCBL/25, Alcian Blue, 25/pack

Precautions: Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

Harmful if swallowed.

Follow all Federal, State, and local regulations regarding disposal.

Use in chemical fume hood whenever possible.

Refer to the SDS for health and safety information



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Procedure (Standard):

- 1. Deparaffinize sections if necessary and hydrate to distilled water.
- 2. Place slides in Alcian Blue (pH 2.5) solution for 20-30 minutes at room temperature.
- 3. Rinse slide in 2 changes of distilled water.
- 4. Optional-Nuclear Fast Red Stain: for 1 minute
- 5. Rinse for 2 minutes in 2 changes of distilled water.
- 6. Dehydrate through graded alcohols.
- 7. Clear, and mount in synthetic resin.

Procedure (Alcian Blue, pH 2.5 PAS)

- 1. Deparaffinize sections if necessary and hydrate to distilled water.
- 2. Apply Acetic Acid Solution solution (3%) to tissue section for 1 minute.
- 3. Remove excess acetic acid solution (3%) and without rinsing apply Alcian Blue (pH 2.5) solution for 15-20 minutes.
- 4. Rinse for 2 minutes in running tap water followed by 2 changes of distilled water.
- 5. Apply Periodic Acid Solution to tissue section for 5 minutes.
- 6. Rinse Slide in 2 changes of distilled water.
- 7. Apply Schiff's solution to tissue section for 30 minutes.
- 8. Rinse for 2 minutes in warm running tap water followed by 2 changes of distilled water.
- 9. Apply Hematoxylin, Mayer's (Lillie's Modification) to tissue sections for 2 minutes.
- 10. Rinse for 2 minutes in running tap water followed by two changes of distilled water.
- 11. Dehydrate though graded alcohols.
- 12. Clear, and mount in synthetic resin.

Troubleshooting: Please contact StatLab Medical Products technical support at 800-442-3573. References:

- 1. Lillie, R.D. 1977, H.J. Conn's Biological Stains, 9th Edition. Williams & Wilkins, Baltimore. Pages 452-455.
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Kit Component

Lot #

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Solution Expiration Date:				Acetic Acid Sol. (3%)	
Date Tested:				Alcian Blue, pH 2.5	
Control Tissue (#)			Periodic Acid Solution		
Approved for Use: Y/N				Schiff's Solution	
Date put into use:			Hematoxylin, Mayer's		
If not approved,					
corrective actions taker	า:				
Approved by:					
Replacement	Replacement	Lot #	Accepted	Comments	
Component if used	Date		Y/N		
Acetic Acid Sol. (3%)					
Alcian Blue, pH 2.5					
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