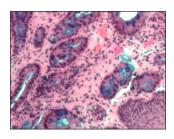


StainRITE[™] Ready-to-Use Special Stain Products

Alcian Blue/PAS Kit

Demonstrates neutral and acidic mucosubstances on tissue at pH 2.5 imparts a blue color to the acidic mucins and other carboxylated or weakly sulphated acid mucosubstances. Periodic Acid Schiff (PAS) reaction is then used to stain basement membranes, glycogen and neutral mucosubstances pink to red.



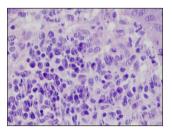
Mixtures of neutral and acidic mucosubstances will appear purple due to positive reactions with both Alcian Blue and PAS.

RESULTS

| Acid mucins | | - blue | | |
|---|----------|---------------|-----------|-----|
| Neutral mucins and positive tissue elements | | - pink to red | | |
| Acid and neutral mucin | - purple | | | |
| | | Cat. #: 25086 | Size: 1 k | kit |

Steiner & Steiner Stain Kit

Silver stains are very sensitive for the staining of bacteria and therefore most useful for bacteria which do not stain or stain weakly with Gram and Giemsa stains. Although they can be used to stain almost any bacteria, they are tricky to perform and are reserved for visualizing spirochetes, legionella, bartonella and *H. pylori*. Spirochetes



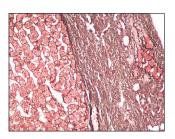
and other bacteria can bind silver ions from solution but cannot reduce the bound silver. The slide is first incubated in a silver nitrate solution for half an hour and then "developed" with hydroquinone reducing the bound silver to a visible metallic form.

RESULTS

| Bacteria | - dark brown to black | |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Background | - yellow | |
| | Cat. #: 25095 | Size: 1 kit |

Reticulin Stain Kit

Identifies reticulin fibers in tissue sections liver, kidney and spleen. Reticulin is a type III collagen found in the basement membrane of many organs and provides structural integrity. Reticulin Stain Kit is a metal impregnation technique, where ammoniacal silver initially binds to the tissue component of interest,



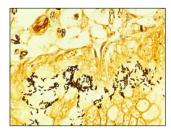
the reducing agent (formalin) produces a dark insoluble precipitate, then treated by toning and fixing in sodium thiosulfate.

RESULTS

| Reticulin fibers | - black, fine linear pattern |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Nuclei | - taupe/color of counterstain |
| Other tissue elements | - pink to red |
| | Cat. #: 25094 Size: 1 kit |

Warthin-Starry Stain Kit

Identifies Spirochetes and some other bacteria such as *H. pylori* and two causative agents of cat scratch disease, *Bartonella henselae* and *Afipia felis*. Warthin Starry Stain relies on the ability of certain bacteria to bind silver ions from solution. Subsequent addition of a reducing agent then converts this bound silver



to visible metallic silver. In the Warthin-Starry stain, the tissue is sensitized prior to application of the silver complex. An aqueous silver nitrate solution combined with the reducing agent, hydroquinone, is applied and a silver diamine complex is generated.

RESULTS

| Bacteria | - black | |
|------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Background | - yellow to light brown | |
| | Cat. #: 25093 | Size: 1 kit |

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