

P.T.A. – P.M.A. REAGENT

IVD In vitro diagnostic medical device

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Reagent containing optimum concentration of phosphotungstic and phosphomolybdic acid INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

REF Catalogue number: PPR-OT-100 (100 mL) PPR-OT-500 (500 mL)

Introduction

P.T.A. – P.M.A. reagent is a component of Masson Trichrome and Masson-Goldner Trichrome staining kits. Both kits are used for visualization of muscles, collagen fibers, connective tissues, gametes, nuclei, neurofibrils, neuroglia, collagen, keratin intracellular fibrils and negative visualization of the Golgi apparatus. It is also used for visualization of increased collagen build up associated with functioning tissue being mistaken for scar tissue (liver sclerosis diagnosis), but also for differentiating smooth muscle fibers and collagens. Difference between Masson Trichrome and Masson-Goldner Trichrome is in staining collagen and mucus, which are stained blue with Masson Trichrome unlike Masson — Goldner Trichrome wherein these structures are stained green.

Product description

P.T.A. – P.M.A. reagent – reagent for use with Masson Trichrome and Masson-Goldner Trichrome staining kits.

Example of P.T.A. – P.M.A. reagent usage as a component of Masson Trichrome kit

Other sections and reagents that may be used in staining:

- Fixatives such as BioGnost's neutral buffered formaldehyde solutions: Formaldehyde NB 4%. Formaldehyde NB 10%
- Dehydrating/rehydrating agent, such as BioGnost's alcohol solutions: Histanol 70, Histanol 80, Histanol 95 and Histanol 100
- Clearing agents, such as BioClear xylene or a substitute, such as BioClear New agent on the aliphatic hydrocarbons basis
- Infiltration and fitting agent, such as BioGnost's granulated paraffin BioWax 52/54, BioWax 56/58, BioWax Plus 56/58, BioWax Blue, BioWax Micro.
- Covering agents for microscopic sections and mounting cover glass, such as BioGnost's BioMount, BioMount High, BioMount M, BioMount New, BioMount New, BioMount DPX, BioMount DPX High, BioMount DPX Low, BioMount C, BioMount Aqua
- High-quality glass slides for use in histopathology and cytology, such as VitroGnost SUPER GRADE, VitroGnost COLOR or one of more than 30 models of BioGnost's VitroGnost glass slides
- VitroGnost cover glass, dimensions range from 18x18mm to 24x60mm
- BioGnost's immersion media, such as Immersion oil, Immersion oil, types A, C, FF, 37, or Immersion oil Tropical Grade
- BioGnost's reagents that comprise Masson Trichrome kit: Bouin's solution (cat.number: BOU-OT-100, BOU-OT-500), Hematoxylin, Weigert A (cat.number: HEMA-OT-100, HEMA-OT-500), Ferri reagent, Weigert B (cat. number: FR-OT-100, FR-OT-500), Biebrich Scarlet-Acid Fuchsin reagent (cat. number: BSAF-OT-100, BSAF-OT-500), Aniline Blue reagent (cat. number: ABR-OT-100, ABR-OT-500), Acetic acid, 1% solution (cat. number: OK1-OT-100, OK1-OT-500)

Preparing the histological sections for staining

- Fixate the sample (Formaldehyde NB 4%, Formaldehyde NB 10%), rinse with water and dehydrate through series of ascending alcohol solutions (Histanol 70, Histanol 80, Histanol 95 and Histanol 100).
- Clear the sample with intermedium; in xylene (BioClear) or in a xylene substitute (BioClear New).
- Infiltrate and fit the sample in paraffin (BioWax 52/54, BioWax Plus 56/58, BioWax 56/58, BioWax Blue, BioWax Micro).
- \bullet Cut the paraffin block to 4-6 μm slices and place them on a VitroGnost glass slide.

NOTE: Apply the reagent so it completely covers the section.

Sample staining procedure

Pour the reagents into glass staining jars (Coplin, Hellendahl or Schifferdecker), return to original bottles after staining. Close tightly. Filter the reagents if

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1.	Deparaffinize the section in xylene (BioClear) or in a xylene substitute (BioClear New)	3 exchanges, 2 min each				
2.	Rehydrate using 100% alcohol (Histanol 100)	2 exchanges, 5 and 3 min				
3.	Rehydrate using 95% alcohol (Histanol 95)	2 min				
4.	Rehydrate in distilled (demi) water	2 min				
5.	Immerse into Bouin's solution:	60 min at 56°C or over night at room temperature				
6.	Cool the sections down to room temperature	10 min				
7.	Rinse under tap water	10 seconds				
8.	Rinse in distilled water	10 seconds				
9.	Prepare Weigert hematoxylin working solution: mix equal volumes of Hematoxylin, Weigert A					
<u> </u>	and Ferri reagent, Weigert B					
	Note: working solution is stable for approximately 2 weeks. Prepare the working solution of volume					
	adequate for staining test sections					
10.	Immerse into Weigert hematoxylin working solution and let it react	5 min				
11.	Rinse under tap water	3 min				
12.	Immerse in Biebrich Scarlet-Acid Fuchsin reagent	2 min				
13.	Rinse in distilled water	until the excessive dye is washed off of the section				
14.	Immerse in PTA-PMA reagent	10 min				
15.	Pour the reagent off the section without rinsing					
16.	Immerse in Aniline Blue reagent	5 min				
17.	Rinse in distilled water	until the excessive dye is washed off of the section				
18.	Immerse into Acetic acid, 1% solution	3 min				
19.	Dehydrate using 70% alcohol (Histanol 70)	5 dips				
20.	Dehydrate using 95% alcohol (Histanol 95)	5 dips				
21.	Dehydrate using 100% alcohol (Histanol 100)	2 min				
22.	Clear the section in xylene (BioClear) or in a xylene substitute (BioClear New)	2 exchanges, 2 min each				

Immediately after clearing apply an appropriate BioMount medium for covering/mounting on the section. If BioClear xylene was used, use one of BioGnost's mounting xylene-based media (BioMount, BioMount High, BioMount M, BioMount DPX, BioMount C, or universal BioMount New). If BioClear New xylene substitute was used, the appropriate covering agent is BioMount New. Cover the section with a VitroGnost cover glass.

Result

Nuclei – blue-purple Muscle fibers, keratin, cytoplasm - bright red Collagen, mucus - blue Erythrocytes - red-orange

Note

Staining procedures are not standardized and they depend on standard operating procedures of individual laboratories and the experience of the personnel conducting the staining procedure. Intensity of staining depends on the period of immersion in the dye. Depending on personal requests and standard laboratory operating procedures, sample processing and staining can be carried out according to other protocols.

Preparing the sample and diagnostics

Use only appropriate instruments for collecting and preparing the samples. Process the samples with modern technology and mark them clearly. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for handling. In order to avoid mistakes, the staining procedure and diagnostics should only be conducted by authorized and qualified personnel. Use only microscope according to standards of the medical diagnostic laboratory.

Safety at work and environmental protection

Handle the product in accordance with safety at work and environmental protection guidelines. Used solutions and out of date solutions should be disposed of as special waste in accordance with national guidelines. Chemicals used in this procedure could pose danger to human health. Tested tissue specimens are potentially infectious. Necessary safety measures for protecting human health should be taken in accordance with good laboratory practice. Act in accordance with signs and warnings notices printed on the product's label, as well as in BioGnost's material safety data sheet.

Storing, stability and expiry date

Keep P.T.A. – P.M.A. reagent in a tightly sealed original packaging at temperature of +15 to +25°C. Keep in dry places, do not freeze and avoid exposing to direct sunlight. Date of manufacture and expiry date are printed on the product's label.

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