

Instructions For Use AEM080-IFU

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SensiTek HRP Anti-Polyvalent (DAB) Ready-To-Use (70 slide)

Species of Origin: Goat

Antigen Specificity: Anti-Mouse, Rat, Rabbit, Guinea Pig

Preadsorbed Against: Human Enzyme Conjugate: Peroxidase

Chromogen Substrate: Diaminobenzidine (DAB)

Procedure:

- 1. Deparaffinize and rehydrate tissue section.
- 2. To reduce nonspecific background staining due to endogenous peroxidase, incubate slide in hydrogen peroxide for 10-15 minutes.
- 3. Wash 2 times in buffer.
- 4. If required, incubate tissue in digestive enzyme.
- 5. Wash 4 times in buffer.
- 6. Apply Super Block (blue cap), and incubate for 5-10 minutes at room temperature to block nonspecific background staining. *Note: Do not exceed 10 minutes or there may be a reduction in desired stain.*
- 7. Wash 1 time in buffer.
- 8. Apply primary antibody and incubate according to manufacturer's protocol.
- Wash 4 times in buffer.
- 10. Apply Biotinylated Link Antibody (yellow cap), and incubate for 15-20 minutes at room temperature.
- 11. Wash 4 times in buffer.
- 12. Apply Streptavidin/HRP Label (red cap), and incubate for 20 minutes at room temperature.
- 13. Rinse 4 times in buffer.

WARNING:DAB is a suspected carcinogen. Handle with care and dispose of according to all regulations.

- 14. Add 8 drops of DAB chromogen to one 5ml vial of DAB Substrate. Mix well and apply to tissue for 5 minutes.
- 15. Rinse 1 time in DI Water.









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- 16. Apply DAB Chromogen/Substrate mixture and incubate for a second 5-minute period.
- 17. Rinse 3 times DI water.
- 18. Counterstain and coverslip.

Troubleshooting Guide

Overstaining:

- 1. Concentration of the primary antibody was too high or the incubation time was too long.
- 2. Temperature during incubation was too high.
- 3. Incubation time with link antibody or streptavidin/enzyme label was too long.

Nonspecific Background Staining:

- 1. Rinsing between steps was inadequate.
- 2. Tissue was allowed to dry with reagents on.
- 3. Folds in tissue trapped reagents.
- 4. Tissue contains endogenous peroxidase.
- 5. Tissue contains endogenous biotin.
- 6. Antigen migrated in tissue.
- 7. Excessive tissue adhesive on slides.
- 8. Inadequate blocking with protein block.

Weak Staining:

- 1. Primary antibody concentration was too low or incubation time was too short.
- 2. Reagents are past their expiration date.
- 3. Inadequate removal of wash water between steps, resulting in dilution of reagents.
- 4. Room temperature was excessively cool.
- 5. The primary antibody does not recognize an antigen that survives fixation and embedding in high enough amounts.
- 6. Excessive incubation with protein block (Super Block).

No Staining:

1. Steps were inadvertently left out.











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- 2. There is no antigen in the tissue.
- 3. The primary antibody is not of mouse, rat, rabbit or guinea pig origin.
- 4. Chromogenic substrate has been replaced with another that is not intended for use with peroxidase.

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