

Instructions For Use AEX080-IFU

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

Description: Species of Origin: Goat

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

Preadsorbed Against: Human Enzyme Conjugate: Peroxidase

Chromogen Substrate: Diaminobenzidine (DAB)

Contents: Super Block 8 ml

Peroxide Block 8 ml EconoTek Anti-Polyvalent 8 ml EconoTek HRP 8 ml DAB Chromogen 3 ml

DAB Substrate 5 ml x 7 vials

Uses/Limitations: Not to be taken internally.

For In-Vitro Diagnostic use only.
Do not use if reagent becomes cloudy.
Do not use past expiration date.
Use caution when handling reagents.

Non-Sterile.

Storage: Store at $2-8^{\circ}$ C.

Precautions: Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

Harmful if swallowed.

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

Procedure:

- 1. Deparaffinize and rehydrate tissue section.
- 2. To reduce nonspecific background staining due to endogenous peroxidase, incubate slide in hydrogen peroxide for 5 minutes.
- 3. Wash 2 times in buffer.
- 4. If required, incubate tissue in digestive enzyme.
- 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.

Storage: 2° C



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- 9. Wash 4 times in buffer.
- 10. Apply EconoTek Biotinylated Anti-polyvalent (yellow cap), and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.
- 11. Wash 4 times in buffer.
- 12. Apply EconoTek HRP (red cap), and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.
- 13. Rinse 4 times in buffer.
- 14. Add 4 drops (200ul) DAB Chromogen to DAB Substrate, mix by swirling and apply to tissue. Incubate for 5- 15 minutes, depending on the desired stain intensity.
 - **WARNING:**DAB is a suspected carcinogen. Handle with care and dispose of according to all regulations.
- 15. Counterstain and coverslip

Troubleshooting Guide

Overstaining:

- 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. Inadequate rinsing between steps.
- 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.
- 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.





