

# Instructions For Use DCR-IFU

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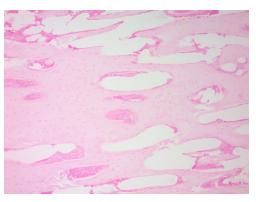
# Decal Clear

#### **Description:**

Decal Quick Clear utilizes hydrochloric acid and a chelating agent to quickly bind and remove all calcium from bone/calcified tissues. This allows the sample to then be sectioned with standard microtomy procedures. This reagent is a standard HCl decalcification reagent, for a more concentrated version and quicker rate decalcification see ScyTek's Decal Quick Clear solution (item: DQC). This solution is ideal for processing tissues that will undergo special staining and procedures other than Immunohistochemistry. Hydrochloric acid-based reagents can negatively affect staining results of immunohistochemical procedures and other decalcification solutions should be considered.

Availability/Contents:	ltem #	Volume	
	DCR999	1 Liter	
	DCR3800	1 Gallon	
Uses/Limitations			
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	For In-Vitro Diagnostic use.		
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Histological applications. Do not use if reagent become cloudy. Do not use past expiration date. Use caution when handling reagent. Non-Sterile.



Avian bone stained with the Calcium Von Kossa procedure (ScyTek item: CVK-1) showing complete decalcification.

#### Ordering Information and Current Pricing at www.scytek.com

Storage/Safety: Room Temperature (18-25°)

25° C

 Precautions:
 Thoroughly rinse specimen with water when transferring to and from fixative and decalcification solution. Formalin and HCl can react to create a hazardous carcinogen. This solution presents several hazards – consult SDS before using.

## Procedure (Full specimens):

- 1. Fix specimen per usual, including bone, and rinse thoroughly in water before decalcification.
- 2. Suspending specimen in solution will facilitate decalcification by allowing calcium salt to sink away from sample.

Storage: 18° C

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3. Incubate specimen for several hours or until completely decalcified based on specimen thickness and levels of calcification. Verification methods include x-ray and chemical end-point determination. Rinse thoroughly in water after decalcification and whenever returning specimen to formalin.

**Note:** Insufficient rinsing after decalcification may negatively impact any subsequent iron staining (Potassium Ferrocyanide/HCI).

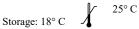
4. Continue with tissue processing and cutting per usual. If specimen was not fully decalcified it may be surface decalcified (procedure below) while cutting to remove remaining calcification.

### **Procedure (Surface Decal):**

- 1. Course face the embedded tissue block to expose desired area of tissue.
- 2. Place the tissue block face down in a small dish with Decal Clear for 30-60 minutes with occasional agitation.
- 3. Rinse thoroughly in water and blot block dry.

**Note:** Insufficient rinsing after decalcification may negatively impact any subsequent iron staining (Potassium Ferrocyanide/HCI).

4. Section block as usual. Surface decal only allows a few calcium-free sections to be obtained. To obtain additional sections repeat surface decal procedure.





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