



Instructions For Use

AST-IFU

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Astra Blue Solution

Description and Principle

Astra Blue Solution is designed to stain mast cells bright blue. This reagent can be used in combination with various counterstains to provide contrast.

Expected Results

Mast Cells:	Blue
Eosinophils:	Red
Nuclei:	Blue

Kit Contents (Cat# CEM-1)

Additional Kit Reagents Sold Separately

	Storage
1. Astra Blue Solution	18-25°C
2. Vital New Red Solution	18-25°C
3. Hematoxylin, Mayer's (Lillie's Mod.)	18-25°C

Suggested Controls (not provided)

Any well fixed paraffin embedded or frozen tissue section cut 3-6 microns.

Uses/Limitations

For In-Vitro Diagnostic use only.

Do not use if reagents become cloudy or precipitate

Do not use past expiration date.

Use caution when handling reagents.

Non-Sterile

Intended for FFPE sections cut at 5-10µm.

This procedure has not been optimized for frozen sections.

Frozen sections may require protocol modification.

Storage

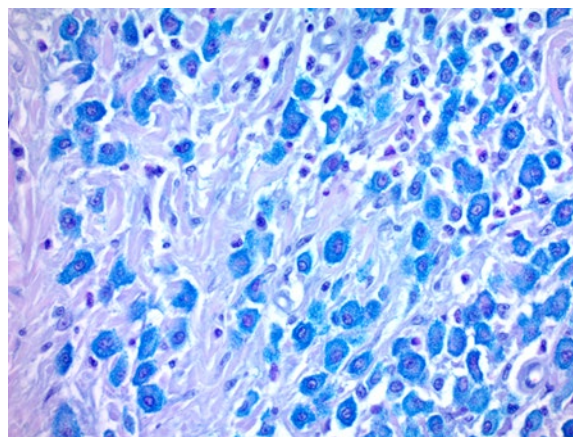
Store at room temperature (18-25°C).

Safety and Precautions

Please see current Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for this product and components GHS classification, pictograms, and full hazard/precautionary statements.

Procedure


1. Deparaffinize sections if necessary and hydrate to distilled water.
2. Stain tissue section with Astra Blue Solution for 1-3 minutes.
3. Rinse quickly in 2 changes of distilled water.
4. Stain tissue section with Vital New Red Solution for 30 minutes with frequent agitation.
5. Rinse quickly in 2 changes of distilled water.
6. Counterstain in Hematoxylin, Mayer's (Lillie's Modification) for 15-30 seconds.
7. Rinse slide in running tap water for 2 minutes followed by distilled water.
8. Dehydrate quickly through 3 changes of absolute alcohol.
9. Clear, and mount in synthetic resin.



Dog mast cell tumor. Mast cell granules metachromatically stain bright blue.

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