




Blocking Solution

REF BS-0001-4

 40 (4 ml)

For use in chromogenic *in situ* hybridization (CISH) procedures

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In vitro diagnostic medical device
according to IVDR (EU) 2017/746

1. Intended use

The Blocking Solution (BS1) is intended to be used for blocking steps in chromogenic *in situ* hybridization (CISH) applications on formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded specimens. The Blocking Solution is intended to be used in combination with ZytoDot probes and the ZytoDot CISH Implementation Kit (Prod. No. C-3018-40).

The product is intended for professional use only. All tests using the product should be performed in a certified, licensed anatomic pathology laboratory under the supervision of a pathologist/human geneticist by qualified personnel.

2. Test principle

The chromogenic *in situ* hybridization (CISH) technique allows the detection and visualization of specific nucleic acid sequences in cell preparations. Hapten-labeled nucleotide fragments, so called CISH probes, and their complementary target sequences in the preparations are co-denatured and subsequently allowed to anneal during hybridization. Afterwards, unspecific and unbound probe fragments are removed by stringency washing steps. Duplex formation of the labeled probe can be visualized using primary (unmarked) antibodies, which are detected by secondary polymerized enzyme-conjugated antibodies. The enzymatic reaction with chromogenic substrates leads to the formation of colored precipitates. After counterstaining the nucleus with a nuclear dye, hybridized probe fragments are visualized by light microscopy.

3. Reagents provided

The Blocking Solution is available in one size:

- BS-0001-4: 4 ml (40 reactions of 0.1 ml each)

4. Materials required but not provided

- ZytoDot probe
- ZytoDot CISH Implementation Kit (Prod. No. C-3018-40)

The Blocking Solution is intended to be used in ISH procedures using ZytoVision probes and kits. For information on materials required for ISH procedures, please refer to the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision probe and implementation kit.

5. Storage and handling

Store at 2-8 °C in an upright position. Return to storage conditions immediately after use. Do not use reagents beyond expiry date indicated on the label. The product is stable until expiry date indicated on the label when handled accordingly.

6. Warnings and precautions

- Read the instructions for use prior to use!
- Do not use the reagents after the expiry date has been reached!
- This product contains substances (in low concentrations and volumes) that are harmful to health. Avoid any direct contact with the reagents. Take appropriate protective measures (use disposable gloves, protective glasses, and lab garments)!
- Report any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the product to the manufacturer and the competent authority according to local regulations!
- If reagents come into contact with skin, rinse skin immediately with copious amounts of water!
- A material safety data sheet is available on request for the professional user.
- Do not reuse reagents, unless reuse is explicitly permitted!
- Avoid cross-contamination of samples as this may lead to erroneous results.
- The specimens must not be allowed to dry during the hybridization and washing steps.

Hazard and precautionary statements:

The hazard-determining component is a reaction mass of: 5-chloro-2-methyl-4-isothiazolin-3-one [EC no. 247-500-7] and 2-methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one [EC no. 220-239-6] (3:1).



Warning

H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.
P261	Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
P272	Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.
P333+P313	IF skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

7. Limitations

- For *in vitro* diagnostic use.
- For professional use only.
- For non-automated use only.
- The clinical interpretation of any positive staining, or its absence, must be done within the context of clinical history, morphology, other histopathological criteria as well as other diagnostic tests. It is the responsibility of a qualified pathologist/human geneticist to be familiar with the ISH probes, reagents, diagnostic panels, and methods used to produce the stained preparation. Staining must be performed in a certified, licensed laboratory under the supervision of a pathologist/human geneticist who is responsible for reviewing the stained slides and assuring the adequacy of positive and negative controls.
- Specimen staining, especially signal intensity and background staining, is dependent on the handling and processing of the specimen prior to staining. Improper fixation, freezing, thawing, washing, drying, heating, sectioning, or contamination with other specimens or fluids may produce artefacts or false results. Inconsistent results may result from variations in fixation and embedding methods, as well as from inherent irregularities within the specimen.
- The performance was validated using the procedures described in the instruction for use of the respective ZytoVision probe and implementation kit. Modifications to these procedures might alter the performance and have to be validated by the user. This IVD is only certified as CE when used as described in this instruction for use within the scope of the intended use.

8. Interfering substances

Refer to the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision probe and implementation kit.

9. Preparation of specimens

Refer to the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision probe and implementation kit.

10. Preparatory treatment of the device

Refer to the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision probe and implementation kit.

11. Assay procedure

Follow the procedure as described in the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision implementation kit. Bring to room temperature (18-25°C) before use.

12. Interpretation of results

Refer to the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision probe.

13. Recommended quality control procedures

Refer to the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision probe.

14. Performance characteristics

Refer to the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision probe.

15. Disposal

The disposal of reagents must be carried out in accordance with local regulations.

16. Troubleshooting

Any deviation from the operating instructions can lead to inferior staining results or to no staining at all. Please refer to the instructions for use of the respective ZytoVision probe and kit for further information.

17. Literature

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- Tsukamoto T, et al. (1991) *Int J Dev Biol* 35: 25-32.
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18. Revision



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Please refer to www.zytovision.com for the most recent instructions for use as well as for instructions for use in different languages.

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