

# Detection of Laminin in Formalin-Fixed, Paraffin-Embedded Mouse Tissue

## **Reagent and Antibody Information**

[1X Wash Buffer](#)

[3% Hydrogen Peroxide](#)

[1% BSA Diluent](#)

[Carezyme II \(Pepsin\)](#)

[Normal Rabbit IgG – Affinity Purified](#)

[DAB Chromogen](#)

[Hematoxylin](#)

**Blocking Solution: Rodent Block M (Ready-To-Use)**

Biocare Medical

Concord, CA 94520

[www.biocare.net](http://www.biocare.net)

1-800-799-9499

Catalog # RBM961

**Primary Antibody: Rabbit Polyclonal Antibody To Laminin (Ab-1)**

Lab Vision / Thermo Fisher Scientific

Fremont, CA 94539

[www.labvision.com](http://www.labvision.com)

1-800-828-1628

Catalog # RB-082

**Polymer Reagent: Rabbit-on-Rodent HRP-Polymer Detection**

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## **Staining Procedure**

Positive Control Tissue: Skin, lung, and kidney

Stain Localization: Cytoplasmic (Basement membrane)

1. Deparaffinize and hydrate slides through the following solutions:

<b>Solution</b>	<b>Repetitions</b>	<b>Time</b>
Xylene	2 times	5 minutes
100% Ethanol	2 times	3 minutes
95% Ethanol	2 times	3 minutes
1X Wash Buffer	2 times	5 minutes

2. Quench endogenous peroxidase by placing the slides in 3% hydrogen peroxide for 15 minutes.

3. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each.

4. Proteolytic-Induced Epitope Retrieval Using Pepsin

Incubate the slides in Carezyme II: Pepsin (predilute) for 8 minutes at 37°C.

(Allow the pepsin to reach room temperature before use.)

Rinse the slide in distilled water for 1 minute to stop the enzymatic reaction.

5. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each.

6. Block with the Rodent Block M reagent for 20 minutes at room temperature.

Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT RINSE SLIDES WITH BUFFER BEFORE ADDING PRIMARY ANTIBODY.  
ONLY WIPE EXCESS BLOCK.**

7. Apply primary antibody at a 1:500 dilution. Incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.

Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

For negative control slides, dilute normal rabbit IgG so that it's IgG protein concentration matches that of the primary antibody (if necessary). Then make a 1:500 dilution. If the concentrations can't be matched using this method, the dilution for the negative reagent may need to be adjusted. Apply the negative and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.

Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

8. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each.

9. Apply the Rabbit-on-Rodent HRP-Polymer reagent, and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.

Lot # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

10. Rinse the slides in 2 changes of 1X wash buffer for 5 minutes each.

11. Apply the DAB chromogen. Incubate in the dark for 6 minutes at room temperature.  
(Add 1 drop of DAB per ml of substrate)  
Lot #\_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date\_\_\_\_\_ New Kit: yes / no
12. Rinse the slides in tap water 3 minutes.
13. Counterstain with hematoxylin for 20 seconds.
14. Rinse the slides in tap water until water is clear.
15. Gently agitate slides in 1X wash buffer until the tissues turn blue.
16. Dehydrate through the following solutions:

Solutions	Repetitions	Time
95% Ethanol	1 time	3 minutes
100% Ethanol	3 times	3 minutes
Xylene	2 times	5 minutes

17. Coverslip

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