

## Tris Buffer, pH 9 (20X)

<u>Cat No.</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
10-0021	100 mL Concentrate

**Intended Use** For In Vitro Diagnostic Use.

This product is intended to be used for the heat induced epitope (or antigen) retrieval (HIER) of formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissues prior to immunohistochemical (IHC) staining.

**Reagents Supplied** One bottle of Concentrate 1 M Tris Buffer, pH 9.

**Summary And Explanation** Formalin fixation forms protein cross-links that mask the antigenic sites in tissue specimens, thereby giving weak or false negative staining for IHC detection of certain proteins. Tris buffer pH 9 is designed to break the protein cross-links, therefore unmasking the antigens and epitopes in FFPE tissue sections, thus enhancing staining intensity of many antibodies.

**Procedure** For use after deparaffinizing and rehydrating slides. If necessary, block endogenous peroxidase activity before HIER step.

1. Make 1X Tris Buffer using 1 part 20X Tris Buffer and 19 parts Reagent Water.
2. Wash slides in 3 changes of 1X PBS to remove alcohol/peroxidase block.
3. Place slides in appropriate sized slide container and fill with Tris Buffer. Make sure tissue section is immersed.
4. Incubate for 20-40 minutes at temperature  $\geq 95^{\circ}\text{C}$ .  
**Note: Optimal incubation time in variable heating source should be determined by user.**
5. Turn off the heating instrument and allow slides to cool to room temperature for at least 20 minutes.
6. Wash slides in 3 changes of 1X PBS to remove Tris Buffer.
7. Resume standard IHC staining procedure.

**Storage** Store at 2-8°C. Do not freeze.

All performance claims are void after the expiration date.

**Materials Required But Not Supplied**  
 FFPE tissue section  
 Reagent Water  
 1X PBS  
 Heating Instrument

**Precautions** For professional users only.  
 Excessive epitope retrieval of FFPE tissues could result in damage of tissue morphology or tissue sections becoming detached from the slide.  
 Inadequate epitope retrieval of FFPE tissue could result in weaker staining.

### Symbols

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