

# DAPI Staining Kit User Manual

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Used to examine cellular DNA in fluorescent microscopy applications.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

DAPI (4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole) is a cell permeable fluorescent minor groove-binding probe for DNA. It binds to the double-stranded DNA (especially to AT rich DNA), and forming a stable fluoresces complex. DAPI throughout the live and dead cell membrane that can be utilized for DAN detect for chromosome DAN, Yeast DNA, chloroplast DNA, Virus DNA and so on. DAPI-DNA complex shows light blue flourescence color with excitation light 364 nm and emission light 454 nm.

This product is 1mg/ml Chromogen. Solute it with suitable density for applies. Recommend density for tissue staining is 1-2  $\mu$ g/ml (on the 0.5  $\mu$ g/ml, flourescence become light saturation). For cell culture the density is 0.1  $\mu$ g/ml.

### II. KIT COMPONENTS

| Component               | Volume     | Storage |
|-------------------------|------------|---------|
| DAPI Chromogen (1mg/ml) | 100 μl x 1 | -20 °C  |
| Dilution Buffer         | 25 ml x 4  | 4 °C    |
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## **III. STORAGE AND STABILITY**

Store at 2-8 °C for short time; -20 °C for long time. Each component is stable for up to 12 months.



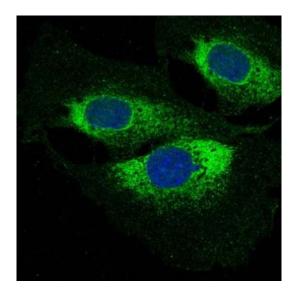
### IV. PROCEDURE

- 1. For double or triple fluorescence staining in immunofluorescence tests, the DAPI staining is the last step after all fluorescence antibodies incubation;
- 2. For tissue cell staining, apply  $10 20 \,\mu$ l Chromogen to  $10 \,\text{ml}$  Dilution Buffer in tube and mix (the end density is  $1 2 \,\mu\text{g/ml}$ ); incubate the tissue with DAPI buffer about  $15 30 \,\text{minutes}$ , at  $30 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; and then wash it with PBS/TBS for  $3 \,\text{times}$ ;
- 3. For culture cell, the DAPI density is 0.5  $\mu$ g/ml (apply 5  $\mu$ l Chromogen to 10 ml Dilution Buffer) may be suitable; incubate the cell with DAPI buffer about 15 30min, at 30 °C;
- 4. Cover the microscope cover glass for observation.

**NOTE:** It's better for observation and operation when the section is dried in no dark box before adding anti-fading buffer.



### V. DATA



Immunofluorescent analysis staining in HeLa cells. Formalin-fixed cells were permeabilized with 0.1% Triton X-100 in TBS for 5-10 minutes and blocked with 3% BSA-PBS for 30 minutes at room temperature. Cells were probed with the primary antibody in 3% BSA-PBS and incubated overnight at 4 °C in a humidified chamber. Cells were washed with PBST and incubated with a FITC-conjugated secondary antibody (green) in PBS at room temperature in the dark. DAPI was used to stain the cell nuclei (blue).



# **VI. TECHNICAL SUPPORT**

For troubleshooting, information or assistance, please go online to www.cohesionbio.com or contact us at techsupport@cohesionbio.com

VII. NOTES