



# 🛡 Immunohistochemistry Protocol for Beta Amyloid Products using USA Detection Kit V.2



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## Guidelines

Protocol can be used for Beta Amyloid products that list "IHC" as an application on the datasheet (*e.g.* clones 4G8, 6E10, etc).

Use with Ultra Streptavidin Detection Kit (**BioLegend Cat #929501**/SIG-32250) or (**BioLegend Cat #929401**/SIG-32248). All steps should be done in a humidity chamber such as **BioLegend Cat #926301**/SIG-31031.

## Materials

### MATERIALS



Ultra Streptavidin (USA) HRP Detection Kit (Multi-Species DAB) (Previously Covance catalog# SIG-322 **BioLegend Catalog #929501**)



Ultra Streptavidin (USA) HRP Detection Kit (Multi-Species AEC) (Previously Covance catalog# SIG-322 **BioLegend Catalog #929401**)



Humidity Chamber Plus (Previously Covance catalog# SIG-31031) **BioLegend Catalog #926301**



- 1 Clear Slides: Remove paraffin and hydrate the tissue  
**Note:** If using frozen sections, allow slides to come to room temperature for 15 minutes & proceed to step (F) only
  - A. Xylene - 5 minutes in each of (3) different 250 mL containers
  - B. 100% alcohol - 5 minutes in each of (3) different 250 mL containers
  - C. 95% alcohol - 3 minutes in (1) 250 mL container
  - D. 70% alcohol - 3 minutes in (1) 250 mL container
  - E. Water - 1 minutes in each of (3) different 250 mL containers
  - F. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (3%) - 15 minutes in (1) 250 mL container
- 2 Rinse slides with lab grade water.  
**Note:** Lab grade filtered water such as injection grade, cell culture grade, Reverse Osmosis De-Ionization (RODI).
- 3 Antigen Retrieval (refer to product datasheet, not always required)
  - 3.1 70% Formic Acid - incubate the slides for 20 minutes at room temperature.  
**Note:** This antigen retrieval step is harsh on the tissue. If using frozen sections reduce time to 5-10 minutes or omit if tissue falls off the slide.
  - 3.2 Rinse Slides with 1X PBS.
- 4 Apply serum block for at least 5 minutes. **Do not wash** after this step.
- 5 Blot off serum block.
- 6 Apply primary antibody - dilute to 1 µg/mL in PBS.
- 7 Incubate primary antibody 60 minutes at room temperature.
- 8 Rinse slides with 1X PBS.
- 9 Apply USA Linking reagent - 20 minutes incubation.
- 10 Rinse slides with 1X PBS.



- 11 Apply Labeling Reagent - 20 minutes incubation.
- 12 Rinse with 1X PBS.
- 13 Apply chromogen - 5 minutes incubation. Dilute according to manufacturer's instructions.
  - 13.1 AEC Chromogen: 20  $\mu$ L AEC chromogen + 1 mL AEC substrate buffer.
  - 13.2 DAB Chromogen: 40  $\mu$ L DAB chromogen + 1 mL DAB substrate buffer.
- 14 Rinse slides with lab grade water.
- 15 Counterstain
  - 15.1 Submerge slides in Mayer's Hematoxylin for 30 seconds.
  - 15.2 Rinse under running lab grade water for 1 minute or until water is clear.
  - 15.3 Submerge slides in Bluing Reagent for 1 minute.
  - 15.4 Rinse under running lab grade water for 1 minute.
- 16 Clear slides: Dehydrate the tissue.
  - 16.1 95% alcohol 3 minutes in (1) 250 mL container.
  - 16.2 100% alcohol 5 minutes in each of (3) different 250 mL container.



16.3 Xylene 5 minutes in each of (3) different 250 mL container.

17 Cover slip slide using Permanent Aqueous Mounting Medium.

**Note:** Do not use xylene based mount with AEC Chromogen as it will dissolve the chromogen.