

SPECIAL STAINS

Alcian Blue (AB/PAS)

Methodology:	Special stain
Specimen Requirements:	One (1) formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) unbaked, unstained slide cut at 4-5 microns for H&E staining (required) and three (3) positively charged unstained slides cut at 4-5 microns for each test ordered or A formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue block All blocks and slides must have two (2) identifiers clearly written and match exactly with the specimen identifies and specimen labeling on accompanying req. Note: When submitting samples for consultations, please provide (suspected) diagnosis on the requisition (and/or attach pathology reports).
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Level of Service:	Global
	Tech Only
Turnaround Time:	24 Hours

Alcian Blue 2.5

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Congo Red

Methodology:	Special stain
Specimen Requirements:	One (1) formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) unbaked, unstained slide cut at 4-5 microns for H&E staining (required) and three (3) positively charged unstained slides cut at 8 microns for each test ordered or A formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue block All blocks and slides must have two (2) identifiers clearly written and match exactly with the specimen identifies and specimen labeling on accompanying req. Note: When submitting samples for consultations, please provide (suspected) diagnosis on the requisition (and/or attach pathology reports).
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Copper

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Crystal Violet

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Elastic Verhoeff-Van Gieson (EVG)

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Fite

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Fontana

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Giemsa

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Grocott Methenamine Silver stain (GMS)

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Gram +/-

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Iron (Pearls)

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Masson's Trichrome

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Mucicarmine

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Periodic Acid Schiff (PAS)

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Periodic Acid Schiff with digestion (DPAS)

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Reticulin

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Van Kossa

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Warthin Starry

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