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# **SOLVENTS**

#### **Acetone**





EM grade suitable for dehydration and the cleaning of microscope parts. A solvent for critical point drying. M.W. 58.08 CH<sub>3</sub>COCH<sub>3</sub> Boiling point: 56.2°C

A018 500ml

#### **Acetonitrile**



(Methyl cyanide). M.W. 41.05 CH<sub>3</sub>CN Boiling point: 80-81°C



A non-carcinogenic substitute for ethanol and propylene oxide in TEM tissue dehydration. Does not interfere with epoxy polymerisation and permits shorter dehydration times.

> 500ml A029

#### n, Amyl Acetate



A solvent for critical point drying and also a solvent



M.W. 130.19 CH<sub>3</sub>COOC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub> Boiling point: 142<sup>o</sup>C A019 500ml

#### **Chloroform EM**



(Trichloromethane), M.W. 119.38 CHCl<sub>3</sub> Boiling point: 61°C



C007 500g

# 2,2-Dimethoxypropane



(Acetone dimethyl acetal). M.W. 104.15 (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> Boiling point: 79-81°C A rapid dehydration agent. J.Histochem, Cytochem., 25, 247 (1977) Stain Technology, 54, 29 (1979)

> D030 500ml

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## Dimethylsulphoxide



(Methyl sulphoxide).(DMSO) (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO

M.W. 78.13

Protects fine structure of frozen sections cut in the

Zagury et al. J.Histochem., 16, 40 (1968) D018 500ml

#### Dioxane EM



(Diethylene oxide). M.W. 88.11 C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

D019 500ml D020 100ml





**Duty paid** 

C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH M.W. 46.07 Assay>99.8%. Water<0.2%

E022 500ml E047 2.5Ltr. E048 1Ltr.

## Ethanol, denatured



C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>OH M.W. 46.07 Assay>99.8%. Water<0.2%

E203 500ml

## **Ethylene Dichloride EM**



(1,2-Dichloroethane). M.W. 98.96 Boiling P: 82-84°C Stabilised with alumina. Solvent for formvar.

> 500ml E013

# **Ethylene Glycol**



(1,2-Ethanediol Glycol). M.W. 62.07

E023 500ml

#### Freon 113



(1,1,2-Trichlorotrifuloroethane). B.P. 117.6°C

F012 500ml F012/1 1ltr

# **Glycerol**

M.W. 92.10

G041 250ml

#### Hexamethyldisilazane



(HMDS) M.W. 161.40 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>19</sub>Nsi As an alternative to critical point drying for biological specimens. Hexamethyldisilazane has reported advantaged of speed, preservation of surface detail as well as reduced thermal and pressure stresses. HMDS may also reduce the extraction of cellular components compared with CPD.

HMDS can be used tp dry specimens on polycarbonate filters e.g. bacteria.

Gives fast, less damaging preparation of soft insect tissue for SEM.

Stain Tech., 58(6), 347 (1983)

500ml H<sub>028</sub>

## **Industrial Methylated Spirits 740P**



IMS 95% for dehydration and clearing is now available through TAAB in the following sizes:



**1013** IMS 2.5 litres 1014 IMS 5 litres

#### Inhibisol



No longer available. Please contact us for possible replacement.

> D054 5ltr. D075 1ltr. D074 500ml

#### Solvent CNP30



No longer available.

C024 5ltr. C023 1ltr. C022 500ml

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## **Methanol**



(Methyl alcohol). CH<sub>3</sub>OH M.W. 32.04 Purity> 99.8% free of acetone



M023 1ltr.

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# **Methylene Chloride**



(Dichloromethane). M.W. 84.93 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> Purity > 98% Solvent for epoxy and polyester resin. Removes cured or uncured resin easily.

M020

1ltr.

## Methyl Ethyl Ketone



(2-Butanone) CH<sub>3</sub>COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> M.W. 72.11 Assay >



500ml M028

## MountingClear Clearing Agent **Xylene Substitute**



The use of xylene in the clearing process of histological mounting is recognised as a hazard that should be avoided. This can be achieved by using Mounting-Clear as the intermediate reagent between alcohol and the mounting medium. MountingClear is a fast evaporating non-hazardous isoalkane containing solvent which allows the use of regular mounting media.

> M027 2.5 ltr.

#### **Iso-Pentane**



(Methylbutane). M.W. 72.15

1010

500ml

# **Iso-Propanol**



(Isopropyl alcohol) (2-Propanol) CH<sub>2</sub>:CHC(CH<sub>3</sub>):CH<sub>2</sub> M.W. 60.10

1012

1Ltr

**Propylene Oxide** 

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#### TAAB Resolve



An active solvent for polymerised resins.

R010

50<sub>m</sub>l

#### **TAAB Resin Solvent**



A solvent for unpolymerised or partially polymerised resins and their components. Clean the glassware etc. with Resin Solvent and then wash with water. The solvent is water miscible.

R011

2.5ltr.

R011/1

500ml

#### Toluene



C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> M.W. 92.14



T252 1Ltr.

#### **UltraClear** Xylene Substitute

UltraClear is a direct replacement for xylene in Histological processing and is human and environment friendly. It is a purified and balanced Isoparaffin mixture especially formulated to replace xylene, Toluene and Limonene. It may be used as an intermediate between alcohols and paraffin during tissue embedding.

Non Toxic • Odourless • Non Flammable • Non Carcinogenic • Dermatologically inert

> M024 1ltr. M025 10 ltr. M026 200 ltr.

## **Xylene**



A substitute for propylene oxide as an intermediate

A.M.Glauert (1974) Practical methods in EM Vol.3 (North Holland) p.113

X001 500ml X002 5ltr.

# **Cryoprotectants**

#### **Dextran C**

M.W. 60,000-80,000

D007

25g

## Hydroxyethyl Starch

H<sub>0</sub>26

250g

# **Polyvinyl Pyrrolidone**

P016

100g

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