DATA SHEET-V4 REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3Q26.2-FISH DETECTION RESEARCH USE ONLY (RUO)

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Intended use

- I. The REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-FISH detection assay is for research use only and is intended for the detection of the human q26.2 locus of chromosome 3 by means of *in situ* hybridization.
- The REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2-FISH detection assay is intended for the detection of the 3q26.2 locus in fixed cells. A clinical diagnosis should not be established based on the performance of this test.
- III. The REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2-FISH detection assay kit is a quantitative assay for the detection of the locus 3q26.2.
- IV. The intended users are qualified laboratory employees in cytology and/or pathology. The product is intended for professional use.

Clinical relevance

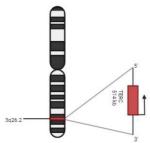
The TERC (telomerase reverse transcriptase) gene, also described as the human telomerase RNA component, is located in the genome at 3g26.2 and counts one exon. Telomerase is a ribonucleoprotein polymerase that preserves telomeric ends by addition of the telomere repeat 'TTAGGG' (TERC telomerase RNA component [Homo sapiens (human)], 2022) (NIH, n.d.). Telomerase is an enzyme consisting of two important components, the TERC gene encodes for the hTR component and the TERT gene encodes for the hTERT component. hTR is an RNA product that serves as a template for creating the 'TTAGGG' sequence, while hTERT is responsible for adding the created sequence to the chromosomal ends. Most cell types have (undetectably) low telomerase levels, however, rapidly dividing cells show that telomerase is highly active in protecting the chromosomal ends against degradation. Mutations in the TERC gene lead to telomerase dysfunction resulting in compromised maintenance of telomeres and therefore telomeric degradation. TERC gene mutations are known to be present in for example autosomal dominant dvskeratosis congenita, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, and aplastic anemia (Shallis et al., 2018; Vulliamy et al., 2001).



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Probe specification

The REMBRANDT®LSI 3q26.2 probe mix consists of a 514 kb probe and is available in an orange fluorescent detection (AF555). The REMBRANDT®LSI 3q26.2 probe is able to completely cover the TERC gene with flanking sequences on the 5' and 3' of the gene for signal enhancement. The REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2 probes are pre-mixed in a hybridization mixture (formamide, dextran sulphate and SSC) and are ready to use solutions.



Test principle

In a fluorescent in situ hybridization assay, a double stranded DNA probe labelled with a fluorochrome is used. The labelled DNA probe is diluted in a hybridization mixture. The hybridization mixture containing the DNA probe is added to the specimen. A co-denaturation will ensure that the genomic DNA and the probe DNA become single stranded. After denaturation, the probe DNA is able to hybridize to its complementary target sequences in the cells. In the REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2-FISH detection assay, the fluorochrome is attached to the probe and the signals can be visualized directly by fluorescent microscopy after hybridization.

Reagents provided

| Product name Labelled LSI probe (de | Product number epending on size choice) | Amount |
|--|--|---------------|
| REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2 orange FISH probe mix | C730P.3000.05 or C730P.3000.10 | ∑5 T ∑10 T |
| REMBRANDT® Pepsin powder | R011R.0000 | 1 g |
| REMBRANDT® Pepsin diluent | R018R.0000 | 15 ml |
| REMBRANDT® PanWash 4, 25X SSC | R025R.0000 | 4x 15 ml |
| REMBRANDT [®] Fluorescent Mounting medium | Z000R.0050 | 1 ml |

Assay procedure

REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-FISH detection assay procedure for cytological specimen.

- Incubate slides in pre-heated proteolytic work solution (prepare according to section 1.9 of Manual-FISH) (R011R.000 + R018R.000) at 37 °C (100 μg/ml) for 15 minutes followed by a brief rinsing in 0.01M HCI (1x 2 minutes) and subsequent rinses in PBS (2x 1 minute)
- Flush wash slides in deionised water, followed by dehydration in graded ethanol series (ethanol 70%, 96%, 96%, 100%, 100%) 1 minute each and air-dry slides for 15 minutes

Do not treat more than 5 slides at the same time, because the temperature of the pre-heated solutions may drop dramatically, thus causing incomplete pretreatment. Additionally, allow the slides to air-dry as recommended; otherwise sections will be lost.

III. Homogenize probe solution (C730P.2030.YY) a spin briefly. Apply 15 μl of probe solution to each specimen. Cover all specimens with a cover slip (avoid air bubbles). Denature slides on a 80 °C hotplate or other heating device for 3 minutes

Work in a pre-set order to ensure that all slides have been incubated at 80 $^{\circ}$ C for the exact same time. Do not denature more than 5 slides at the same time, the temperature of the heating device may drop dramatically, thus causing incomplete denaturation.

- IV. Transfer the slides into a moist environment and incubate for 16 hours at 37 $^\circ$ C.
- V. Remove coverslips by soaking the slides in PBS at room temperature
- VI. Incubate the slides in diluted, pre-heated PanWash 4 (R025R.000) (prepare according to section 1.9 of Manual-FISH)

Do not incubate more than 5 slides at the same time in PanWash 4, the temperature of the PanWash 4 may drop dramatically, causing wrong stringency conditions.

- VII. Incubate the slides in PBS at room temperature for 1 minute
- VIII. Dehydrate the slides in graded ethanol series (70%, 96%, 96%, 100%, 100%) 1 minute each and air-dry the slides for 15 minutes (in the dark)

Mount the slides by applying mounting medium (Z000R.0050) and coverslip

Interpretation of results

Hybridization of the REMBRANDT® LSI 3g26.2 probe is viewed using a fluorescence microscope equipped with appropriate excitation and emission filters for orange detection: λ_{exc} 555 nm, λ_{em} 572 nm. Allowing visualization of orange fluorescent signal concentrated at the q26.2 locus of chromosome 3 and the blue counterstained chromosomes and nuclei. The enumeration of the locus 3q26.2 is conducted by microscopic examination of interphase nuclei. The fluorescently-stained g26.2 locus of chromosome 3 stand out brightly against the general fluorescence of the nucleus. The LSI 3g26.2 procedure enables visual enumeration of copy numbers of the 3g26.2 locus within the nuclei. The assay results are reported as the percentage of nuclei with 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, and >4 fluorescent signals. Each fluorescent signal corresponds to a copy of the 3q26.2 locus.

Enumerate the fluorescent signals in the interphase nucleus using a 40X or 63X magnification. Objectives with higher magnification (eg, 63X or 100X) should be used to verify or resolve questions about split or diffused signals. Enumerate at least 100 nuclei per slide for accurate analysis.

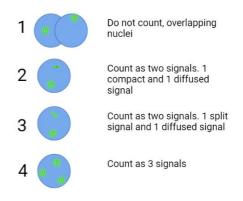
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•Enumerate the number of nuclei with 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or >4 signals. Count nuclei with 0 signals only if there are other nuclei with at least 1 signal present in the field of view. If the accuracy of the enumeration is in doubt, repeat the enumeration in another area of the slide.

•Do not enumerate nuclei with uncertain signals (Arsham et al., 2017)



Performance characteristics Analytical Sensitivity and Specificity

The analytical sensitivity and specificity were investigated within PanPaths analytical performance assessment. Precision was investigated for the REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-FISH detection assay and results are available upon request.

Analytical sensitivity

The analytical sensitivity was determined in three levels. The normal cut-off percentage was determined based on assessment of 200 individual nuclei in two samples of healthy interphase lymphocytes from peripheral blood. The beta inversion was used to determine the percentage of normal-cut off. For the noise-to-signal percentage, the noise and signal values were determined for 100 signals in interphase lymphocytes from peripheral blood of two independent samples. The differences between noise and signal were evaluated using a 95% confidence interval. For the hybridization efficiency, 200 individual nuclei were assessed for the presence of FISH signals.

| Performance characteristic Normal cut-off percentage | Outcome 10% |
|---|----------------|
| Noise-to-signal cut-off | 19% |
| percentage Hybridization efficiency | 99% |

Analytical specificity

The analytical specificity was determined in two levels. The theoretical specificity was determined by sequencing analysis of the probe DNA and mapping on Hg38. The practical specificity was determined by assessing the hybridization pattern in metaphase chromosomes of interphase lymphocytes from peripheral blood.

| Performance characteristic | Outcome |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Theoretical specificity | Mapped on chromosome 3, |
| Practical specificity | q26.2 100% |

Limitations of Procedure

i) The REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2-FISH detection assay is solely applicable for the detection of the locus 3q26.2, which may be present in cell preparations (cytological specimen i.e. interphase lymphocytes from peripheral blood samples).

ii) Either human tissue sections or human cytological preparations may be used. Samples must be fixed in buffered formalin or alcohol. In tissue sections are required, the sections should be prepared in a 4 μ m thickness. Furthermore, the tissues should be glued to the glass slides with a bio-adhesive (e.g. organ silane), dried at room temperature, subsequently dried at 37 °C overnight and lastly completely deparaffinized in xylene and alcohol series and air dried.

iii) Cytological specimen should be prepared as required by the user, fixed with cytological fixation agent, rinsed in distilled water prior to the ISH procedure and air dried.

iv) Many factors can influence the performance of the ISH procedure. Failure in detection can be due to i.e. improper sampling, handling, the time lapse between tissue removal and fixation, the size of the tissue specimen in the fixation medium, the fixation time, processing fixed tissue, the thickness of the section, the bio-adhesive on the slide, deparaffinisation procedure, incubation times, proteolytic pre-treatment, detection reagents, incubation temperatures and interpretation of results.

 v) The performance of the ISH procedure is also affected by the sensitivity of the method and the presence of the q26.2 locus of chromosome 3. In case the limit of the sensitivity is reached a false negative reaction may be the result.

vi) The REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2-FISH detection assay results should not be relied on in case the sampling, sampling method, sample quality, sample preparation, reagents used, controls and procedure followed are not optimal or as described the working protocols.

ix) The medical profession should be aware of risks and factors influencing the fluorescent signal intensity while interpretating the test result. Microscopy settings might influence the signal intensity and/or interpretation.

x) Laboratory personnel performing the test should be trained and knowledgeable to be able to interpret the test results.

Storage and handling

Store kit and its contents at 2-8°C. Store the dissolved and aliquoted reagents at recommended temperatures. When used and stored as indicated, the kit is stable until the expiry date printed on the box.

| Product | Product number | Storage conditions |
|--|-------------------|---|
| REMBRANDT [®] LSI 3q26.2 orange FISH probe mix | C730P.XXXX | 2-8 °C |
| REMBRANDT® Pepsin powder | R011R.0000 | Powder: 2- 25°C, ambient temperature |
| | | Dissolved: - 20°C |
| REMBRANDT [®] Pepsin diluent | R018R.0000 | Concentrated solution and diluted: 2- 25°C, ambient temperature |
| REMBRANDT [®] PanWash 4, 25X SSC | R025R.0000 | Concentrated solution and diluted: 2- 25°C, ambient temperature |

REMBRANDT® Fluorescent 2-8 °C

Fluorescent mounting medium

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Hazard statements

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P405 - Store locked up

Additional information

Product in combination with other devices

The REMBRANDT® DNA probes are intended for standalone usage. The assay is intended to be used in combination with standard cytological preparation methods, hot plate(s), stove(s), incubation device(s), water bath(s), temperature and incubation time control(s), proteolytic-, detection- and other reagents (not supplied with this reagent) and a microscope. The combination has been tested and validated. Since the standard cytological preparation methods, hot plate(s), stove(s), incubation device(s), water bath(s), temperature controls, incubation time control(s) and other not supplied reagents such as but not limited to proteolytic reagents, detection reagents and a microscope is not combined with the device as a product. conformity with the essential requirements is not applicable. Assay validation criteria are mentioned in 'Interpretation of the Results' and are also depending on clinical state of the sample, which may influence the validation criteria.

For additional information regarding the REMBRANDT[®] assays, a manual is included which specifies the following subjects:

Controls

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- Materials required but not included
- Storage and shelf-life
- Performance precautions
- Preparations of reagents
- Specimen collection
- Quality control
- Trouble shooting guide

Technical assistance

For technical assistance regarding the products performance, please contact info@panpath.nl or call +31 495499090. Visit our website for reprints of datasheets or additional documentation. www.panpath.nl

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Disclaimer: This document is valid until the product expiry on the kit label

DATA SHEET-V3 REMBRANDT® LSI 3Q26.2-ISH DETECTION

RESEARCH USE ONLY (RUO)

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| | C730K.9900.10 | <u>ل</u> | 10 T |

Intended use

- The REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-ISH detection assay is for research use only and is intended for the detection of the human locus 3q26.2 by means of *in situ* hybridization.
- II. The REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-ISH detection assay is intended for the detection of the locus q26.2 of chromosome 3 in fixed cells. A clinical diagnosis should not be established based on the performance of this test.
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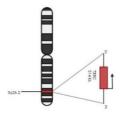
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Probe specification

The LSI 3q26.2 probe mix consists of a 514 kb probe and is available in a digoxigenin or biotin conjugation. The LSI 3q26.2 probe is able to completely cover the TERC gene with flanking sequences on the 5' and 3' of the gene for signal enhancement. The LSI 3q26.2 probes are pre-mixed in a hybridization mixture (formamide, dextran sulphate and SSC) and are ready to use solutions.



Test principle

In an in situ hybridization assay, a double stranded DNA probe labelled with a hapten is used. The labelled DNA probe is diluted in a hybridization mixture. The hybridization mixture containing the DNA probe is added to the specimen. A co-denaturation will ensure that the genomic DNA and the probe DNA become single stranded. After denaturation, the probe DNA is able to hybridize to its complementary target sequences in the cells. In the REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-ISH detection assay, the haptens are attached to the probe and the signals can be visualized after detection by corresponding antibodies by fluorescent or brightfield microscopy.

Reagents provided

| Product name | Product number | Amount |
|--|--|--------------------------------|
| Labelled LSI probe (depen •REMBRANDT [®] LSI 3q26.2-ISH biotin probe mix | ding on label and si C730P.0100.05 or C730P.0100.10 | ze choice) 5 T 2 10 T |
| •REMBRANDT [®] LSI 3q26.2-ISH digoxigenin probe mix | C730P.9900.05 or C730P.9900.10 | ₹ 5 T ₹ 10 T |
| REMBRANDT [®] Pepsin powder | R011R.0000 | 1g |
| REMBRANDT [®] Pepsin diluent | R018R.0000 | 15 ml |
| REMBRANDT [®] PanWash 4, 25X SSC | R025R.0000 | 4x 15 ml |
| REMBRANDT [®] Pre- treatment buffer | R026R.0000 | 15 ml |

Assay procedure

REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-ISH detection assay procedure for cytological specimen and FFPE tissue sections.

- Specimen collection: for a detailed description of the specimen collection for cytological specimen or FFPE tissue sections see section 2.1 Specimen collection of the Manual ISH.
- II. For FFPE tissue sections, after dewaxing, place slides in jar with pre-treatment solution (R026R.0000) in microwave set at i.e. 900W and incubate up until boiling. Subsequently, reset microwave at 180W and incubate for 10 minutes, followed by cooling down for 20 minutes at room temperature. Flush wash slides in deionised water.
- III. Incubate slides in pre-heated proteolytic work solution (prepare according to section 1.9 and 1.10 of Manual ISH (R011R.000 + R018R.000) at 37 °C. <u>Paraffin-embedded sections</u> (1.25 mg/ml) or <u>cytological specimen</u> (100 μg/ml) for 15 minutes.
- IV. Flush wash slides in deionised water, followed by dehydration in graded ethanol series (ethanol 70%, 96%, 96%, 100%, 100%) 1 minute each and air-dry slides for 15 minutes.

Do not treat more than 5 slides at the same time, because the temperature of the pre-heated solutions may drop dramatically, thus causing incomplete pretreatment. Additionally, allow the slides to air-dry as recommended; otherwise sections will be lost.

V. Homogenize probe solution (C730P.XXX.YY) and spin briefly. Apply 10-15 μl of probe solution to each specimen. Cover all specimens with a cover slip (avoid air bubbles). Denature slides on a 80 °C hotplate or other heating device, 3 minutes for cytological specimen and 10 minutes for FFPE tissue sections.

Work in a pre-set order to ensure that all slides have been incubated at 80 °C for the exact same time. Do not denature more than 5 slides at the same time, the temperature of the heating device may drop dramatically, thus causing incomplete denaturation.

- VI. Transfer the slides into a moist and dark environment and incubate for 16 hours at 37 °C.
- VII. Remove coverslips by soaking the slides in PBS at room temperature.
- VIII. Incubate the slides in diluted, pre-heated PanWash 4 (R025R.0000) (prepare according to section 1.9 of Manual-ISH). For cytological specimen and FFPE tissue sections, 2x 5

minutes in 2x SSC at 42 °C. For cytological specimen, subsequently incubate 2x 5 minutes in 0.1x SSC at 61 °C.

Do not incubate more than 5 slides at the same time in PanWash 4, the temperature of the PanWash 4 may drop dramatically, causing wrong stringency conditions.

IX. Appropriate detection system should be evaluated by the end-user. Recommended detection systems are listed below

| Digoxigenin detection | Biotin detection |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| R003R.0000 REMBRANDT® | R041R.0000 REMBRANDT® |
| Sheep aDig-AP conjugate | Goat aBio-AP Fab conjugate |
| R004R.0000 REMBRANDT® | R042R.0000 REMBRANDT® |
| Sheep aDig-HRP conjugate | Goat aBio-HRP Fab |
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| AP detection | HRP detection |
| R008R.0000 | R007R.0000 |
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| R008R.0000 REMBRANDT® NBT/BCIP | R007R.0000 REMBRANDT® AEC |
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Interpretation of results

Hybridization of the LSI 3q26.2 probe is conducted by microscopic examination of interphase nuclei (fluorescence or brightfield, depending on antibodies used for detection). The fluorescently or chromogenic-stained 3q26.2 loci stand out brightly against the nucleus. The enumeration of the locus 3q26.2 is conducted by microscopic examination of interphase nuclei. The LSI 3q26.2 procedure enables visual enumeration of copy numbers of the 3q26.2 locus within the nuclei. The assay results are reported as the percentage of nuclei with 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, and >4 signals. Each signal corresponds to a copy of the 3q26.2 locus.

Enumerate the signals in the interphase nucleus using a 40X or 63X magnification. Objectives with higher magnification (eg, 63X or 100X) should be used to verify or resolve questions about split or diffused signals. Enumerate at least 100 nuclei per slide for accurate analysis.

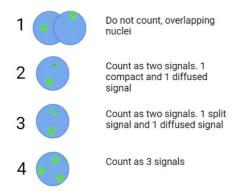
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nuclei with at least 1 signal present in the field of view. If the accuracy of the enumeration is in doubt, repeat the enumeration in another area of the slide. •Do not enumerate nuclei with uncertain signals



Performance characteristics

The REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2-ISH detection assay was analytically validated for REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2 orange detection. The results of the direct fluorescent assay are shown. However, for the REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2-ISH detection assay, the detection system may influence the performance characteristics and the REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2 in combination with different detection systems should be evaluated carefully by the end-user.

Analytical sensitivity

The analytical sensitivity was determined in three levels. The normal cut-off percentage was determined based on assessment of 200 individual nuclei in two samples of healthy interphase lymphocytes from peripheral blood. The beta inversion was used to determine the percentage of normal-cut off. For the noise-to-signal percentage, the noise and signal values were determined for 100 signals in interphase lymphocytes from peripheral blood of two independent samples. The differences between noise and signal were evaluated using a 95% confidence interval. For the hybridization efficiency, 200 individual nuclei were assessed for the presence of ISH signals.

| Performance characteristic Normal cut-off percentage | Outcome 10% |
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| Noise-to-signal cut-off | 19% |
| percentage Hybridization efficiency | 99% |

Analytical specificity

The analytical specificity was determined in two levels. The theoretical specificity was determined by sequencing analysis of the probe DNA and mapping on Hg38. The

practical specificity was determined by assessing the hybridization pattern in metaphase chromosomes of interphase lymphocytes from peripheral blood.

Limitations of Procedure

i) The REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-ISH detection assay is solely applicable for the detection of q26.2 locus of chromosome 3, which may be present in cell preparations (cytological specimen i.e. interphase lymphocytes from peripheral blood samples).

ii) Either human tissue sections or human cytological preparations may be used. Samples must be fixed in buffered formalin or alcohol. In tissue sections are required, the sections should be prepared in a 4 μ m thickness. Furthermore, the tissues should be glued to the glass slides with a bio-adhesive (e.g. organ silane), dried at room temperature, subsequently dried at 37 °C overnight and lastly completely deparaffinized in xylene and alcohol series and air dried.

Cytological specimen should be prepared as required by the user, fixed with cytological fixation agent, rinsed in distilled water prior to the ISH procedure and air dried.

iv) Many factors can influence the performance of the ISH procedure. Failure in detection can be due to i.e. improper sampling, handling, the time lapse between tissue removal and fixation, the size of the tissue specimen in the fixation medium, the fixation time, processing fixed tissue, the thickness of the section, the bio-adhesive on the slide, deparaffinisation procedure, incubation times, proteolytic pre-treatment, detection reagents, incubation temperatures and interpretation of results.

v) The performance of the ISH procedure is also affected by the sensitivity of the method and the presence of the p16.3 locus of chromosome 4. In case the limit of the sensitivity is reached a false negative reaction may be the result.

vi) The REMBRANDT[®] LSI 3q26.2-ISH detection assay results should not be relied on in case the sampling, sampling method, sample quality, sample preparation, reagents used, controls and procedure followed are not optimal or as described the working protocols.

vii) The medical profession should be aware of risks and factors influencing the signal intensity while interpretating the test result. Microscopy settings might influence the signal intensity and/or interpretation.

viii) Laboratory personnel performing the test should be trained and knowledgeable to be able to interpret the test results.

Storage and handling

Store kit and its contents at 2-8°C. Store the dissolved and aliquoted reagents at recommended temperatures. When used and stored as indicated, the kit is stable until the expiry date printed on the box.

| Product | Product number | Storage conditions |
|---|-------------------|---|
| REMBRANDT® LSI 3q26.2-ISH probe mix | C730P.XXXX | 2-8 °C |
| REMBRANDT® PanWash 4, 25X SSC | R025R.0000 | Concentrated solution and diluted: 2- 25°C, ambient temperature |
| REMBRANDT® Pepsin powder | R011R.0000 | Powder: 2- 25°C, ambient temperature |
| REMBRANDT [®] | R018R 0000 | Dissolved: - 20°C Concentrated |
| Pepsin diluent | R016R.0000 | solution and diluted: 2- 25°C, ambient |
| REMBRANDT [®] Pre-treatment buffer | R026R.0000 | temperature Concentrated solution and diluted: 2- 25°C, ambient |

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Hazard statements

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Additional information

Product in combination with other devices

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For additional information regarding the REMBRANDT® assays, a manual is included which specifies the following subjects:

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