

Product Specification Sheet

Product Name	Stemgent [®] Alkaline Phosphatase Staining Kit II
Description	The undifferentiated state of embryonic stem (ES) and induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells can be characterized by a high level of alkaline phosphatase (AP) expression which, along with the expression of other surface markers, indicates undifferentiated cells with the potential to self-renew. AP is a hydrolase enzyme responsible for dephosphorylating molecules such as nucleotides, proteins, and alkaloids under alkaline conditions. When fixed ES or iPS cells are stained using the AP Staining Kit, undifferentiated cells appear red or purple, whereas differentiated cells appear colorless.
Catalog Number	00-0055
Size	50 assays
Kit Components	Fix Solution: 25 ml (Cat. No. 09-0042) AP Staining Solution A: 10 ml (Cat. No. 09-0043) AP Staining Solution B: 10 ml (Cat. No. 09-0065) AP Staining Solution C: 10 ml (Cat. No. 09-0066)
Storage and Stability	Store at 4°C. Do not freeze. Stable for 6 months from date of receipt when stored as directed.
Quality Control	The AP Staining Kit II is functionally tested on human and mouse ES cells to ensure product quality (Figure 1).



Figure 1. Phenotypic assessment of R1 mouse ES cells and H1 human ES cells using AP staining. Cells were fixed and stained following the AP Staining Kit protocol. [A] Undifferentiated R1 cells, [B] undifferentiated H1 cells, and [C] partially differentiated H1 cells.

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