



# Test Catalog

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# Mucicarmine

## Methodology

Immunohistochemistry (IHC)

## Test Description

Special stain. Mucicarmine staining is used to identify epithelial mucins, namely acid mucopolysaccharides. Staining is useful to distinguishing mucin negative undifferentiated squamous cell lesions from mucin positive adenocarcinomas. In addition, this product will stain the mucopolysaccharide capsule of *Cryptococcus neoformans*.

## Specimen Requirements

- A formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue block is preferred specimen type  
or
- One (1) unbaked, unstained slide for H&E staining (required) and two to three (2-3) positively charged unstained slides (all cut at 4-5 microns) for each test/antibody ordered
- Block and slide identifiers should be clearly written and match exactly with the specimen ID and specimen labeling as noted on the requisition.

## Storage & Transportation

Use cold pack for transport. Make sure cold pack is not in direct contact with specimen.

## CPT Code(s)\*

88313

## New York Approved

Yes

## Level of Service

Stain Only

## Turnaround Time

24 hours

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