





### **Performance Benefits**

- Range of membrane sizes
- Clinical and routine analysis
- All reagents and hardware supplied
- Can be used in all machines
- High sensitivity
- Easy to handle
- Clear resolution
- Reproducible results

### **Principle** Hb Differentiation

The membrane is supplied in pre-cut dimensions for immediate use in all electrophoresis apparatus.

Apacor supply a comprehensive range of ancillary products including, buffers, reagents and stains which have been optimised for use with Apacor Cellulose Acetate Membranes.

The electrophoretic separation and detection of haemoglobins is a principal application for Apacor Cellulose Acetate Membranes. The membrane provides unrivalled clarity for the diagnosis of haemoglobinopathies including Sickle Cell Diseases and Thalassemia.

Haemoglobinopathies occur when production of normal adult haemoglobin is suppressed and replaced by one or more variants, or normal haemoglobins are produced in abnormal proportions. Screening can highlight these abnormalities before the onset of symptoms, allowing better patient management and counselling.

Electrophoresis exploits the negative charge which haemoglobin will adopt under alkaline conditions; since each haemoglobin variant carries a different net charge, they will all migrate at different speeds. Following electrophoretic migration these fractions are visualised by staining and classified by comparison with known standards.

For more information on haemoglobin electrophoresis using Apacor Cellulose Acetate Membranes, please consult technical document ELC001.

## Procedure Overview -

#### Serum Electrophoresis

Apacor Cellulose Acetate Membranes are indicated for use in the electrophoretic separations of serum proteins.

This process is the single most powerful tool to indicate the wellbeing of a patient, with a large spectrum of diseases indicated by atypical protein migration. Electrophoretic separation exploits the speed of migration as determined by the protein charge. Atypical protein bands indicate clinical significance.

Please consult technical document ELC002.

### **STEP 1** - SAMPLE APPLICATION



Allow the membrane to soak fully using Apacor High Resolution Buffer II. Dry with absorbent pads and then place the applicator block onto the membrane. Load a 25µl sample in a 15 second application.

### **STEP 2** - ELECTROPHORESIS



Ensure that the electrophoresis chamber is filled with High Resolution Buffer II and that the polarity of the chamber is correct. Electrophorese for 20 minutes at 2-10 milliamps.

#### **STEP 3 - STAINING**



Remove the membrane from the electrophoresis chamber and transfer to vessel containing Ponceau S Solution. Remove the excess with 5% acetic acid solution. Place the membrane in clearing solution. The membrane will clear, giving high resolution banding.

### **STEP 4 - EXAMINATION**



Migrations patterns should be compared to a known control. For quantitative determination, use densitometry or elute separated fractions. When using Ponceau S Solution, the densitometric scan should be undertaken at 525mn.

# High Resolution Buffer II

#### Product No: 51106



Product Overview

High Resolution Buffer II is a general-purpose electrophoresis buffer intended for use in the qualitative and quantitative separation of proteins. Routine applications include serum proteins, lipoproteins, LDH, CK and

alkaline phosphatase isozyme electrophoresis, and immunoelectrophoresis. (This product should not be used to conduct haemoglobin electrophoresis. See 51126.)

# Haemoglobin Buffer

## Product No: 51126



#### Product Overview

Haemoglobin Buffer is used in the procedure for the electrophoretic separation, detection, and quantitation of haemoglobins on cellulose membranes.

### **Ponceau S Solution**

#### Product No: 51284



#### Product Overview

Ponceau S Solution is intended as a stain for haemoglobin, glycosylated haemoglobins, serum and other proteins following electrophoretic migration.

## **Absorbent Paper**

### Product No: 82600



#### Product Overview

Apacor supply a range of absorbent papers, which are used to blot the sample before media application. The papers

are made from a special non-leaching high absorbency material, which allows fast preparation of the electrophoresis media.

#### References

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### **Ordering Information**

PRODUCT	PACK SIZE	CODE	
MEMBRANES			
Cellulose Acetate Membrane	2.5 X 15.2cm/100 Pack	82000	
Cellulose Acetate Membrane	5.5 X 14.4cm/50 Pack	82100	
Cellulose Acetate Membrane	5.7 X 12.7cm/50 Pack	82200	
Cellulose Acetate Membrane	5.7 X 14.4cm/50 Pack	82300	
Cellulose Acetate Membrane	5.55 X 14.4cm/50 Pack	82400	
Supported Cellulose Acetate Membrane	5.7 X 14.4cm/50 Pack	82500	
Cellulose Acetate Membrane	5 X 20cm/50 Pack	82700	

### **SUPPLIES**

High Resolution Buffer II	12 X 18gm	51106
Haemoglobin Buffer	12 X 18gm	51126
Ponceau S Solution	470ml	51284
Absorbent Paper (pack of 50)	7.6 x 15.2cm	82600

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