

ThinPrep[™] PreservCyt[™] Solution

Instructions for Use



INTENDED USE

ThinPrep[™] PreservCyt[™] Solution is a transport, preservative, and antibacterial medium for non-gynecological samples and is used to prepare cytology slides using a ThinPrep[™] processor as part of the ThinPrep[™] System. For professional use.

SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION

PreservCyt Solution is designed for use with the ThinPrep processor, a cytologic preparation device that produces slides for microscopic examination. PreservCyt Solution enables the transport and preservation of cells for up to three weeks at room temperature.

PRINCIPLES OF PROCEDURE

PreservCyt Solution is a media used for collection and preservation of cells and DNA of patient samples. When used on the ThinPrep processor, it allows transfer of cells onto a microscope slide, providing a thin, uniform layer of cells suitable for cytologic evaluation.

COMPOSITION

Methanol-based, buffered preservative solution. 35–55% Methanol. CAS 67-56-1

WARNINGS

Danger. Flammable. Contains Methanol.

H301. Toxic if swallowed.

H311. Toxic in contact with skin.

H331. Toxic if inhaled.

H370. Causes damage to organs.

H226. Flammable liquid and vapour.

For In Vitro Diagnostic use. Not for external or internal use in humans or animals. Cannot be made non-poisonous. Use with adequate ventilation.

PRECAUTIONS

P210. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces.

P260. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P280. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P301 + P310. IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

P303 + P361 + P353. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P305 + P351 + P338. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P308 + P311. IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor.

P370 + P378. In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.



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P403 + P233. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P501. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulation.

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Do not use if tamper-evident seal on vial is broken or missing, or if primary packaging is damaged.

When transporting a PreservCyt Solution vial containing cells, make sure the vial is tightly sealed. Align the mark on the cap with the mark on the vial to prevent leakage. (See Figure 1.)



Figure 1

Figure 2

PreservCyt Solution was challenged with a variety of microbial and viral organisms. Table 1 presents the starting concentrations of viable organisms and the number of viable organisms found after 15 minutes in PreservCyt Solution. The log reduction of viable organisms is also presented. As with all laboratory procedures, universal precautions should be followed.

PRETREATMENT

No reconstitution, mixing or dilution is required.

STORAGE

Store PreservCyt Solution without cytologic samples at 15°C to 30°C (59°F to 86°F). Do not use PreservCyt Solution beyond the expiration date marked on the container. Close the 946 mL bottle after each use.

APPEARANCE AND INTEGRITY

Clear, non-sterile solution.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND PREPARATION

Collect non-gynecologic samples in a routine manner and refer to the ThinPrep processor operator's manual for preparation instructions. Record required patient information in the space provided. (See Figure 2.)

Known Interfering Substances

The use of lubricants (e.g., KY[®] Jelly) should be minimized prior to specimen collection. Lubricants can adhere to the filter membrane and may cause poor cell transfer to the slide.

Storage and Handling

PreservCyt Solution preserves cells for up to three weeks at temperatures between 4°C (39°F) and 37°C (98°F).

PROCESSING INSTRUCTIONS

Cytologic specimens collected in PreservCyt Solution are to be processed on a ThinPrep processor according to instructions in the ThinPrep processor operator's manual.

LIMITATIONS OF PROCEDURE

PreservCyt Solution cannot be substituted with any other solution for specimen collection, preparation, or processing on any ThinPrep processor.

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SAFETY AND PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Refer to the ThinPrep processor operator's manual.

If any serious incident occurs related to this device or any components used with this device, report it to Hologic Technical Support and the competent authority local to the patient and/or user.

DISPOSAL

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

FIRST AID MEASURES

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. See www.hologicsds.com for the entire Safety Data Sheet.

TABLE 1

Organism	Initial Concentration	Log Reduction After 15 Minutes
Candida albicans	5.5 x 10 ⁵ CFU/ml	≥4.7
Candida auris	2.6 x 10 ⁵ CFU/ml	≥5.4
Aspergillus niger	4.8 x 10 ⁵ CFU/ml	2.7*
Escherichia coli	2.8 x 10 ⁵ CFU/ml	≥4.4
Staphylococcus aureus	2.3 x 10 ⁵ CFU/ml	≥4.4
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	2.5 x 10 ⁵ CFU/ml	≥4.4
Mycobacterium tuberculosis ⁺	9.4 x 10 ⁵ CFU/ml	4.9**
Rabbitpox virus	6.0 x 10 ⁶ PFU/ml	5.5***
HIV-1	3.2 x 10 ⁷ TCID ₅₀ /ml	≥7.0***
Hepatitis B virus ⁺	2.2 x 10 ⁶ TCID ₅₀ /ml	≥4.25
SARS-CoV-2 virus	1.8 x 10 ⁶ TCID ₅₀ /ml	≥3.75
* After 1 hour 4.7 log reduction		•

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*** Data is for 5 minutes

⁺ Organisms were tested with similar organisms from the same genus to assess antimicrobial effectiveness.

Note: All log reduction values with a ≥ designation yielded undetectable microbial presence after exposure to PreservCyt Solution. The listed values represent the minimum allowable claim given the initial concentration and the detection limit of the quantitative method.

Revision History

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