# **Baso**



### **IMMERSION OIL**

The BASO immersion oil is based on the formulation recommended by the World Health Organization. It has moderate viscosity, results to clear background, long lasting (will not dry out easily) and will not decolorize stained bacteria. Available in 30 ml, 500 ml and 4 x 20ml.

# **MICROBIOLOGY STAIN SERIES**

## **COTTON BLUE STAIN**

Mainly used to fungal staining. Cotton Blue Stain is formulated with lactophenol, which serves as the mounting fluid and the dye, cotton blue. Lactic acid preserves the fungal structure & clears the tissue while phenol acts as a disinfectant. The high concentration of phenol deactivates lytic cellular enzymes, thus the cells do not lyse. Cotton blue is an acid dye that stains the chitin present in the cell walls of fungi. The stain imparts blue color on fungal hyphae. Available in 4 x 10ml/kit.



### **RAPID GRAM STAIN**

A rapid staining procedure to classify bacteria based on their cell wall characteristic. According to the stain results, bacteria can be divided into two different groups-Gram positive (purple) & Gram negative (red). When bacteria are stained with certain basic dyes (such as the crystal violet in Rapid Gram Stain), those cells with high peptidoglycan contents (Gram-positive) in their cell wall will resist decolorization with organic solvents such as ethanol or acetone, while the Gram-negative species (with a thin layer of peptidoglycan in the cell wall) can be easily decolorized. Available in 4 x 250ml/kit.



## TB STAIN KINYOUN (COLD STAIN)

A modified basic fuchsin stain (without heating) for the identification of acid-fast bacteria such as Mycobacterium tuberculosis. This staining kit is based on the Ziehl-Neelsen stain (a carbofulfuchsin solution) recommended by the WHO. Acid-fast bacteria such as Mycobacterium tuberculosis and Mycobacterium leprae are difficult to stain because of their lipoid capsule in the cell wall. However, once the lipoid capsule is stained with an enhanced dye such as carbolfuchsin, the newly formed compound will resist decolorization from acid-alcohol and retain the original color stained (red), which can be easily differentiated from other microorganisms that still adsorb the counter blue stain.



## TB STAIN ZIEHL-NEELSEN (HEATING METHOD)

For identification of acid-fast bacteria of the genus Mycobacterium, which includes the tuberculosis-causing Mycobacterium tuberculosis. This staining kit is based on the Ziehl -Neelsen stain (a carbofulfuchsin solution) recommended by the WHO. Acid-fast bacteria such as Mycobacterium tuberculosis and Mycobacterium leprae are difficult to stain because of their lipoid capsule in the cell wall. However, once the lipoid capsule is stained with an enhanced dye such as carbolfuchsin, the newly formed compound will resist decolorization from acid-alcohol and retain the original color stained (red), which can be easily differentiated from other microorganisms that still adsorb the counter blue stain.



