Blue Lightning Stain

Product Description:

Blue Lightning Stain is a ready-to-use R-250 Coomassie stain with a unique formulation for fast and sensitive SDS-PAGE gel staining. This coomasie stain is completely non-hazardous for disposal purposes. Blue Lightning stain is compatible with all different types of protein gels and mass spectrometry analysis.

Content And Storage:

Blue Lightning Stain is provided in a 1 liter volume. Upon receipt or opening of the container, store at room temperature. The stain is stable for 1 year when properly stored at room temperature.

Protocol:

Blue Lightning Stain can be used on common protein gels such as 1mm and 1.5mm Tris-Glycine gels, bis-tris gels, tricine gels, NuPAGE gels and large format gels.

- Following electrophoresis, remove the gel apparatus and place the gel into a container Add sufficient water to completely cover the gel, swirl a the container few times and discard water. Repeat gel rinsing for 2 more times. Discard water after final rinse.
- 2. Add BLS with enough volume to sufficiently cover the gel.
- 3. Microwave 1 min on high voltage (950-1199W) without boiling the stain.
- 4. Place the gel on orbital shaker at room temperature for 15min for fast staining or 1h for normal staining.
- Discard and rinse the gel a few times with deionized water until the protein bands are distinct. BLS cannot be reused and should be discarded.
- 6. Stained gels can be immediately preserved by gel drying.
- For crystal clear gel background, destain the gel in deionized water overnight either gentle rocking or using orbital shaker at room temperature.
- 8. Tip: Tie a Kimwipe into a 'bow tie' and place alongside with gel in deionized water, proceed with gel 'drying'.

*Gel drying solution containing alcohol may cause destaining of protein bands. Limit the gel drying solution.

