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The following abbreviations, colours and staining intensities were used in the tables and captions to figures in this dissertation

Abbreviations :

PAS	--	Periodic acid schiff reagent
Ph	--	Phenylhydrazine
D	--	Diastase
AB	--	Alcian blue 8 GX - 300
AF	--	Aldehyde fuchsin
M 37	--	Mild methylation
DM 37	--	Mild methylation - saponification
M 60	--	Active methylation
DM 60	--	Active methylation - saponification
AH	--	Acid Hydrolysis
Hyal	--	Hyaluronidase
Neur	--	Neuraminidase

Colours :

P	--	Pink
B	--	Blue
PB	-	Purple blue
BP	-	Bluish purple
O	-	Orthochromatic blue
M	-	Metachromatic pink or red

Intensity of Staining :

++++	--	Intense
+++	--	Moderate
++	--	Weak
+	--	Poor
±	--	Trace
-	--	Negative
