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The following abbreviations, colors and staining intensities were used in the tables, captions to figures and contents in the present thesis.

Abbreviations

- 1) PAS - Periodic acid - Schiff.
- 2) P-PAS - Phenylhydrazine-PAS.
- 3) D-PAS - Diastase-PAS.
- 4) AB - Alcian blue 8 - GX - 300.
- 5) C.I. - Colloidal Iron.
- 6) AF - Aldehyde Fuchsin.
- 7) CEC - Critical Electrolyte Concentration.
- 8) M 37 - Mild Methylation.
- 9) DM 37 - Mild Methylation-Saponification.
- 10) M 60 - Active Methylation.
- 11) DM 60 - Active Methylation-Saponification.

Colors

- 1) P - Pink or Magenta or Purple.
- 2) B - Blue or greenish-blue.
- 3) PB - Purple-blue.
- 4) BP - Bluish-purple.
- 5) O - Orthochromatic blue.
- 6) M - Metachromatic purple or Pink or Red.

Staining Intensities

- 1) ++++ - Intense.
- 2) +++ - Moderate.
- 3) ++ - Weak.
- 4) + - Poor.
- 5) ± - Trace.
- 6) - - Negative.