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Just bought some cheap coverslips from ebay (from xxxtools)  
Though in sealed packing, they are of dreadful quality and are covered  
with some sort of residue. Beware! Will be buying branded next time.  
Also, has anyone any good recipes for cleaning slides and slips?  
I like 50% IPA, 5% Ammonia 45% deionised water, personally.  
HJ

– 1–3% hydrochloric acid in ETOH 70%. Wipe dry with a clean cloth prior to  
use

– mixture of equal parts (vol) of ETOH 90%, xylene and distilled water.  
store coverslips in it for a few hours up to indefinitely. Wipe dry with a  
clean cloth prior to use

– Used (or not) fixative ac. to Carnoy is a good cleaning/storing fluid (and  
a potent grease remover) for coverslips. Especially the formula containing  
chloroform. Wipe dry with a clean cloth prior to use.