Usage procedure for:

Fite Stain Kit, Leprosy

Avantik Kit Item #: RS4555-125 | RS4555-250 | RS4555-500



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Solutions Provided in Stain Kit:

Xylene-Peanut Oil Solution Carbol Fuchsin Stain Acid Alcohol, 1% Methylene Blue Stain

Conventional Procedure

- 1. Deparaffinize sections in two changes of **Xylene-Peanut Oil Solution** at 12 minutes each.
- 2. Air-dry slide for 15 minutes. Do not remove the film of oil covering the section. This helps to prevent de-staining of Lepra bacillus during differentiation.
- 3. Gently rinse slides in 2-3 changes of distilled water.
- 4. Stain sections in Carbol Fuchsin Stain for 20-30 minutes.
- 5. Rinse slides thoroughly in tap water.
- 6. Decolorize slides in **Acid Alcohol**, 1% one at a time until the sections are faint pink.
- 7. Rinse in tap water and check tissue section microscopically for correct differentiation. Repeat steps 6&7 if further differentiation is required. If too much differentiation occurred, re-stain in Carbol Fuchsin and repeat steps 5-7.
- 8. Counterstain lightly in **Methylene Blue Stain** by dipping slides one at a time until desired intensity is reached. Sections should be stained pale blue. Be sure to not overstain.
- 9. Wash sections in running tap water.
- 10. Blot sections dry and let stand 5-10 minutes to air-dry completely.
- 11. Dip slide several times in Xylene or Xylene Substitute and with synthetic resin.

Results:

Lebra bacillus: Red

Background: Light Blue

Kit Components and Related Control Slides:

Avantik Item Numbers:

Xylene-Peanut Oil Solution: RS4461-250 (250 mL) | RS4461-500 (500 mL)

Carbol Fuchsin Stain: RS4398-250 (250 mL) | RS4398-500 (500 mL)

Acid Alcohol, 1%: RS4383-250 (250 mL) | RS4383-500 (500 mL)

Methylene Blue Stain: RS4426-250 (250 mL) | RS4426-500 (500 mL)

Fite Stain-Leprosy Control Slides: SL6221-A (Pack/12) | SL6221-B (Pack/25) | SL6221-D (Pack/100)