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Product Name	Haematoxylin & Eosin Stain Kit (H&E) (Harris 1900)
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Product Code	RRSK26-100
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Reagents	General Information
Haematoxylin Harris 1x 50ml Eosin Y 1% Aqueous 1x 50ml Acid Alcohol 0.5% 1x 50ml Scotts Tap Water 1x 50ml	Number of Tests: 100 (based on bench top staining) Procedure Time: 35 minutes (approximate) Shelf Life: 3 Years (from date of manufacture) Storage: 15-25 °C

Principle
The haematoxylin and eosin stain (H&E) demonstrates all tissue structures. The haematoxylin (alum) Harris' stains the nuclei blue/black and the eosin stains cell cytoplasm and most connective tissue fibres in varying shades and intensity from pink to red

Specimen Collection
The use of routine formaldehyde fixatives is recommended. Avoid use of glutaraldehyde fixatives. Paraffin embedded sections of tissue cut at 5 microns is sufficient

Protocol
1. Dewax sections, hydrate through alcohols and rinse in tap water 2. Stain in filtered Harris' haematoxylin for 10 minutes 3. Wash well in running tap water 4. Differentiate in 0.5% acid alcohol for 10-15 seconds (see note 1) 5. Wash well in running water 6. Blue in scotts tap water 7. Wash well in water (if scotts tap water used) 8. Stain in 1% eosin Y for 2 minutes (see note) 9. Wash in running tap water 1-5 minutes 10. Dehydrate, clear and mount

Results
Nuclei: Blue/Black Cytoplasm: Varying shades of pink Muscle Fibres: Deep Pink/Red Red Blood Cells: Orange/Red Fibrin: Deep Pink

Notes
1. The haematoxylin is used regressively and therefore the differentiation should be done with care as acid alcohol can over differentiate so check microscopically 2. The intensity of eosin staining and therefore the differentiation required is a matter of individual taste and the staining times should be adjusted accordingly 3. It is recommended that a control section be used with all slides.

Stability	Disposal
If correctly stored the reagents are usable until the expiry date	Hazardous reagents included, observe local waste disposal regulations

Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device shall be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of the member state in which the user and/or the patient is established
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