Gomori's Aldehyde Fuchsin

Aldehyde Fuchsin Solution

Add 2 gm of Pararosanilin to 400 ml of 60% ETOH and mix well.

Then add 4 ml of Paraldehyde (Hamm Cabinet) and 6 ml of Hydrochloric Acid in this order.

Mix and set aside (Do not move!)

Let ripen for 3 days, then filter.

Note: If the solution does not have a metallic sheen on top, it probably isn't any good. Solution is stable for approximately 10 days.

Mayer's Hematoxylin: Rowley Biochemical Institute (cat# SO-369)

Eosin Stock:

Eosin Y 20 g Distilled water 400 ml

ETOH, 95% bring up to 2000 ml

Eosin Working:

Eosin stock 150 ml ETOH, 80% 450 ml Glacial Acetic Acid 3 ml

Procedure:

- 1. Deparaffinize and hydrate to water.
- 2. Place slides in 70% ETOH for 1 min.
- 3. Aldehyde Fuchsin Solution for 15 minutes.
- 4. 3 changes of 95% ETOH- 3 min., 2 min., 1 min. respectively.
- 5. Dip slides in 70% ETOH, then wash in tap water for approximately 15 minutes (check slides microscopically for staining of the islet cells and elastic fibers).
- 6. Stain in Mayer's Hematoxylin for 10 seconds.
- 7. Wash in running tap water for at least 10 minutes to blue.
- 8. Rinse in distilled water.
- 9. 2-3 dips in 50% ETOH.
- 10. 3 dips in Eosin.
- 11. Quickly dehydrate slides in 2 changes of 95% and Absolute ETOH.
- 12. Clear in several changes of Xylene, then mount slides with a synthetic resin.

Results:

Beta cells in the islets and elastic fibers- Deep purple Nuclei- blue Cytoplasm- pink

Reference: The Jackson Laboratory Histology Lab

H&E Set-up for the Leica Autostainer (Program 1)

Station	Reagent	<u>Time</u>	Exact or Not Exact (Yes/NO)
1	Xylene	7 min.	No
2	Xylene	7 min.	No
3	Xylene	5 min.	No
4	Abs Etoh	2 min.	No
5	Abs Etoh	2 min.	No
6	95% Etoh	2 min.	No
7	70% Etoh	1 min.	No
Wash 5	Tap Water	1 min.	No
8	D H20	20 sec.	No
9	Hematoxylin	4 min.	Yes
Wash 4	Tap Water	5 min.	No
	Ammonia H20	O 1 min.	No
Wash 2	Tap Water	5 min.	No
10	70% Etoh	30 sec.	No
11	Eosin	2 min.	Yes
12	95% Etoh	30 sec.	Yes
13	95% Etoh	30 sec.	Yes
14	Abs Etoh	45 sec.	No
15	Abs Etoh	2 min.	No
16	Abs Etoh	1 min	. No
17	Xylene	2 min.	No
18	Xylene	2 min.	No
Exit	Xylene		