



## VitroView™ Masson's Trichrome Stain Kit

SKU No. VB-3016

### Introduction

Masson's Trichrome Stain Kit is used to differentiate between collagen and smooth muscle in tumors, and the increase of collagen in diseases such as cirrhosis. It is a routine stain for liver and kidney biopsies. This kit can be used for FFPE and frozen tissue slides.

### Kit Components

VB-3016-1 Bouin's solution -----	250 ml
VB-3016-2 Weigert's Hematoxylin Solution A -----	125 ml
VB-3016-3 Weigert's Hematoxylin Solution B -----	125 ml
VB-3016-4 Biebrich Scarlet-Acid Fuchsin Solution -----	250 ml
VB-3016-5 Phosphomolybdic-Phosphotungstic Acid Solution -----	250 ml
VB-3016-6 Aniline Blue Solution -----	250 ml
VB-3016-7 1% Acetic Acid Solution -----	250 ml

### Storage

Room temperature.

### Protocol

#### For formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue sections:

1. Deparaffinize in Xylene I for 6 minutes and II for 6 minutes.
2. Rehydrate.
  - a. Ethanol 100% (2 minutes)
  - b. Ethanol 100% (2 minutes)
  - c. Ethanol 95% (2 minutes)
  - d. Ethanol 95% (2 minutes)
  - e. Ethanol 70% (2 minutes)
3. Rinse in distilled water (5 minutes).
4. Mordant in Bouin's Solution, 60°C for 1 hour.
5. Wash in running tap water for 5 minutes to remove the picric acid.
6. Prepare Weigert's working hematoxylin: mix Weigert's Hematoxylin Solution A and B at 1:1 ratio.
7. Weigert's working hematoxylin for 10 minutes.  
*Note: Discard after use.*
8. Blue in running tap water for 5 minutes, rinse once for 1 min in distilled water.
9. Biebrich Scarlet-Acid Fuchsin Solution for 5 minutes.  
*Note: Solution may be used twice only, then discarded.*
10. Rinse once for 1 min in distilled water.
11. Phosphotungstic/phosphomolybdic acid solution for 10 minutes, discard solution.
12. Transfer directly into Aniline Blue Solution for 10 minutes.
13. Rinse once for 1 min in distilled water.
14. Acetic Acid Solution for 1 minute, discards solution.
15. Dehydrate with 2 changes of 95% Ethanol and 2 changes of 100% Ethanol (2 minute per change).

16. Clear with 3 changes of xylene (5 minutes per change) and coverslip with Permount or other suitable organic mounting medium.

**For Frozen Sections:**

1. Fix frozen sections in 10% formalin (not Zinc) for 30 minutes.
2. Rinses in distilled water 3×3min.
3. Mordant in Bouin's Solution, 60°C for 1 hour.
4. Wash in running tap water for 5 minutes to remove the picric acid.
5. Weigert's working hematoxylin for 7 minutes.  
*Note: Discard after use.*
6. Blue in running tap water for 5 minutes, rinse in distilled water.
7. Biebrich Scarlet-Acid Fuchsin Solution for 5 minutes.  
*Note: Solution may be used twice only, then discarded.*
8. Rinse in distilled water.
9. Phosphotungstic/phosphomolybdic Acid Solution for 10 minutes. Discards solution.
10. Transfer directly into Aniline Blue Solution for 15 minutes.
11. Rinse in distilled water for 2-10 seconds.
12. 1% Acetic acid for 2-10 seconds. Discard solution.
13. Dehydrate with 2 changes of 95% Ethanol and 2 changes of 100% Ethanol (2 minute per change).
14. Clear with 3 changes of xylene (5 minutes per change) and coverslip with Permount or other suitable organic mounting medium.

**Expected results**

Cytoplasm, keratin, muscle fibers, Erythrocytes ----- red  
Nuclei ----- black  
Collagen and mucus ----- blue

**Note**

This product is intended for research purposes only. This product is **not** intended to be used for therapeutic or diagnostic purposes in humans or animals.

**Precautions**

Handle with care. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not ingest. Wear gloves.