

#### PRODUCT CODE BS012

# APPLICATION

A Romanowsky stain for blood and bone marrow cell morphology; designed specifically to differentiate Leukocytes. Also used for malarial parasites and trypanosomes.

## **REAGENT COMPOSITION**

Leishman Powder	0.15%
Methanol	100 mL

#### REAGENT PREPARATION

It is recommended to filter all stain before use.

### REAGENT STORAGE AND STABILITY

Leishmans stain solution is stable up to the stated expiry date when stored at  $15-25^{\circ}$  C. Keep tightly closed to prevent air oxidation.

### PROCEDURE

- 1. Flood air dried smears with stain for 1 minute on slide rack.
- 2. Dilute stain gently 1:3 with buffered water (pH 6.6-6.8) or distilled water. Leave slide for 5-10 minutes.
- 3. Wash off with pH 6.6-6.8 buffered water or distilled water until the slide appear pink to the naked eye and allow to dry.
- 4. Examine under oil immersion lens of microscope.

#### RESULTS

Leukocyte nucleiBlue – PurpleAcidophil granulesPink- RedBasophil granulesDark- BluePlateletsViolet GranulesEosinophilsOrange- Red granulesLymphocytesDark Purple nuclei with pale blue cytoplasm	Red cells	Pink
Basophil granulesDark- BluePlateletsViolet GranulesEosinophilsOrange- Red granules	Leukocyte nuclei	Blue – Purple
PlateletsViolet GranulesEosinophilsOrange- Red granules	Acidophil granules	Pink- Red
Eosinophils Orange- Red granules	Basophil granules	Dark- Blue
	Platelets	Violet Granules
Lymphocytes Dark Purple nuclei with pale blue cytoplasm	Eosinophils	Orange- Red granules
	Lymphocytes	Dark Purple nuclei with pale blue cytoplasm

#### NOTES

- 1. If the differentiation at step 3 is slow, dry the smears, rinse in xylene, dry again and re- immerse in distilled water or buffered water while agitating the solution. If this fails, try differentiating in water of lower pH but not below pH 6.5.
- 2. For malarial parasites, the water should be pH 7.2 to give maximum visibility to schuffner's dots.

# SYMBOLS ON LABELS

Symbols	Signify	Symbols	Signify
REF	Catalogue Number	SIZE	Pack Size
$\Sigma$	Expiry Date	VOL	Volume
K	Storage Condition	LOT	Lot Number
Ĩ	Instruction for Use	IVD	In Vitro Diagnostics
~~~	Manufacturing Date	<b>***</b>	Manufacturer
$\overline{\Sigma}$	Number of Tests	2	For Single Use Only
EC REP	EC Representative	CE	European conformity

#### BIBILOGRAPHY

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