ThinPrep[®] Stain Protocol Using Rinse II and Bluing II Solutions on the LEICA AUTOSTAINER XL

Use this protocol ONLY when ThinPrep Rinse II and Bluing II Solutions (P/Ns ASY-04875, ASY-04876) are components of the ThinPrep Stain.

Use this protocol for staining slides fixed with 95% alcohol.

Convert wash stations to reagent stations by installing wash plugs in Stations Wash 1 thru Wash 4 and replacing wash containers with reagent containers. Reagent containers are used in all stations.

Maintain bath heights to completely cover the slides at full immersion. (Note: Bath fill volume = 450 ml)

Caution: Change the Distilled / Instrument Feed Water bath at Station 5 after every four racks of slides.

Step	Station	Solution	Time	Exact	
	LOAD	95% reagent or ethyl alcohol	N/A	N/A	
1	1	70% reagent or ethyl alcohol	1 min	No	
2	2	50% reagent or ethyl alcohol	1 min	No	
3	3	Distilled or Instrument Feed Water (IFW) ¹	1 min	No	
4	4	ThinPrep Nuclear Stain	7 min	Yes	
5	5	Distilled or Instrument Feed Water ¹ (Replace after every 4 racks.)	10 sec	Yes	
6	6	ThinPrep Rinse II Solution	1 min	Yes	
7	7	Distilled or Instrument Feed Water ¹	30 sec	No	
8	Wash_1	ThinPrep Bluing II Solution	30 sec	Yes	
9	Wash_2	Distilled or Instrument Feed Water ¹	30 sec	No	
10	Wash_3	Distilled or Instrument Feed Water ¹	30 sec	No	
11	Wash_4	95% reagent or ethyl alcohol	30 sec	No	
12	Wash_5	ThinPrep Orange G Solution	2 min	Yes	
13	8	95% reagent or ethyl alcohol	15 sec	Yes	
14	9	95% reagent or ethyl alcohol	15 sec	Yes	
15	10	ThinPrep EA Solution	4 min	Yes	
16	11	95% reagent or ethyl alcohol	1 min	Yes	
17	12	95% reagent or ethyl alcohol	1 min	Yes	
18	13	100% reagent or ethyl alcohol	30 sec	No	
19	14	100% reagent or ethyl alcohol	30 sec	No	
20	15	100% reagent or ethyl alcohol	30 sec	No	
21	16	Xylene or other approved Hologic clearing agent ²	1 min	No	
22	17	Xylene or other approved Hologic clearing agent ²	3 min	No	
Optional 23	18	Xylene or other approved Hologic clearing agent ²	1 min	No	
	EXIT	Xylene or other approved Hologic clearing agent ²	N/A	N/A	

¹ Hologic specification for IFW: ≥1.0 megohm-cm Resistivity <u>OR</u> ≤1.0 µSiemens/cm Conductivity (Refer to Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) document C3-A4, 2006)

² See ThinPrep Stain User's Manual, Section 1, "STAINING" or contact Hologic for current list of Hologic approved clearing agents and mounting media.

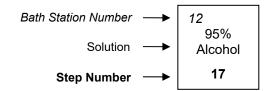


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Leica Autostainer XL

Using ThinPrep Rinse II and Bluing II Solutions

For slides fixed with 95% alcohol



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Wash 1	Wash 2	Wash 3	Wash 4	Wash 5	Oven
70% Alcohol	50% Alcohol	Distilled Water	Nuclear Stain	Distilled Water	Rinse II Solution	Distilled Water	Bluing II Solution	Distilled Water	Distilled Water	95% Alcohol	OG Solution	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	
Xylene	Open (Optional Xylene)	Xylene	Xylene	100% Alcohol	100% Alcohol	100% Alcohol	95% Alcohol	95% Alcohol	EA Solution	95% Alcohol	95% Alcohol	95% Alcohol
EXIT	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	LOAD