

A-109 GRIDLEY'S METHOD FOR ENDAMOEBIA HISTOSLYTICA

FIXATION: 10% Buffered Neutral Formalin (F-113).

TECHNIQUE: Cut paraffin sections at 6 microns

STAINING PROCEDURE:

1. Deparaffinize and hydrate to distilled water. Include a control slide with all samples.
2. Stain in Harris Hematoxylin (A-109-1), 10 min. or Weigert's Iron Hematoxylin, 3 min.

*To prepare Weigert's Iron Hematoxylin, mix equal parts just before use:

Weigert's Iron Hematoxylin Sol'n A (A-109-1A) and
Weigert's Iron Hematoxylin Sol'n B (A-109-1B).

3. Wash in running water for several minutes, differentiate each slide in Acid Alcohol, 1% (A-109-4) and then wash again.
4. Blue each slide in Ammonia Water (A-109-5), wash in running water.
5. Stain in Aniline-Eosin (A-109-2), 5 minutes. Rinse well in distilled water. Slides should appear deep rose.
6. Counterstain in Naphthol Green B (A-109-3), 5 minutes.
7. Under a microscope, differentiate the slides in 95% alcohol (two changes) until the erythrocytes remain a deep rose.
8. Dehydrate through two changes absolute alcohol and clear in two changes Xylene (C-120).
9. Mount with Permout (M-18).

RESULTS:

Erythrocytes (ingested)	rose
Connective tissue	green
Amoebae	blue-green
Nuclei (amoebic)	darker blue-green

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