TRAINING UPDATE

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DESCRIPTION OF PROCEDURE REVISION

Name of procedure:

Diff-Quik Stain Kit SGAH.H06 v2

Note: this has been converted to a system SOP

Description of change(s):

Section	Reason
5.A.1	add urine cups
5.C	add stool sample

This revised SOP will be implemented on January 24, 2017

Document your compliance with this training update by taking the quiz in the MTS system.

Non-Technical SOP

Title	Diff-Quik Stain Kit	
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1. **PURPOSE**

This procedure describes the process for manually staining. It may be used as a backup method for automated stainers.

2. **SCOPE**

This procedure applies to manual staining for differential testing.

3. RESPONSIBILITY

Technical staff performing differential testing is responsible for complying with this procedure.

4. **DEFINITIONS**

None

5. **PROCEDURE**

A. Supplies

- Coplin jars with lids or Sterile urine cups
- Mechanical rotator (for mixing the sample)
- Microscope slides
- Distilled or deionized water

B. Reagents

Reagent	Diff-Quik Fixative Solution		
Hazard	Danger. Contains Methanol >50%. May be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed.		
	Poison. Flammable. Vapor harmful. Causes eye irritation.		

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	Do not breathe vapor. Do not get in eyes, on skin or clothing. Keep container closed. Use with adequate ventilation. Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. Wash thoroughly after handling.	
Container	500 ml bottle	
Storage	15-30C	
Stability Stable until expiration date on box label.		
Preparation	Ready for use as supplied.	

Reagent	Diff-Quik Solution I		
Hazard	Warning—Contains sodium azide.		
	This may react with plumbing to form highly explosive metal		
	azides. If discarded into sink, flush with a large volume of water		
	to prevent azide buildup.		
Container	500 ml bottle		
Storage	15-30C		
Stability Stable until expiration date on box label. Discard if microbia growth is observed.			
Preparation	Ready for use as supplied.		

Reagent	Diff-Quik Solution II
Container	500 ml bottle
Storage	15-30C
Stability	Stable until expiration date on box label. Discard if microbial growth is observed.
Preparation	Ready for use as supplied.

C. Specimen: Slide made from blood collected in EDTA tube or slide made from a direct finger stick or stool sample

D. Staining

- 1. Place Fixative Solution, Solution I and Solution II into 3 labeled containers Coplin jars. Cover tightly when not in use.
- 2. Thoroughly mix the blood sample and prepare a blood film slide.
- 3. Label slide with patient Last name, First initial, Date and accession number.
- 4. Dip slide into fixative solution 5 times, one second each time. Allow excess to drain.
- 5. Dip slide into Solution I five (5) times, one second each time. Allow excess to drain.
- 6. Dip slide into Solution II five (5) times, one second each time. Allow excess to drain.
- 7. Rinse slide with distilled or deionized water.
- 8. Allow slide to air-dry and examine under oil immersion lens.

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9. Perform differential count according to the manual differential procedure.

Notes:

- For more intense overall stain, increase number of dips in Solutions I and II.
- For paler stain, decrease dips in Solutions I & II, but never go below 3 dips of one full second each.
- To increase eosinophilic staining, increase dips in Solution I.
- To increase basophilic staining, increase dips in Solution II.

E. Quality Control

1. Stain Quality

Examine a stained smear utilizing a light microscope under an oil immersion lens. Record the stain quality as S (Satisfactory) or U (Unsatisfactory) on the Hematology Differential Comparison and Stain Quality Log using the criteria below.

A properly stained smear should have the following characteristics:

- a. RBC Pink with central pallor
- b. Platelets Violet to purple granules
- c. NRBC Dark purple nucleus
- d. WBC
 - Neutrophil Dark purple nuclei with light pink cytoplasm dotted with lilac granules.
 - Lymphocyte Dark purple nucleus. Cytoplasm with varying shades of blue (robin's egg blue).
 - Monocyte Cytoplasm of monocytes stains a faint bluish gray tinge.
 - Eosinophil Bright red to orange granules.
 - Basophil Granules very dark bluish purple granules.

2. Differential Comparison

- a. Prepare a blood smear from a specimen analyzed by the automated hematology analyzer.
- b. Stain the slide and perform a manual differential.
- c. Compare the results of the manual differential with the automated differential.
- d. Record the results on the Hematology Differential Comparison and Stain Quality Log and verify that the manual differential meets the criteria given on the log.

Note: This process is NOT performed if the automated differential analyzer is not in operation and only a non-automated system is in use. Record "not in use" on the Log.

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6. RELATED DOCUMENTS

Coulter LH 750 Operation for CBC and Reticulocyte Automated Tests, Hematology procedure

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Hematology Differential Comparison and Stain Quality Log (AG.F36)

7. REFERENCES

Diff-Quik stain set insert, SIEMENS Healthcare Diagnostics, Inc., 9/2008

8. REVISION HISTORY

Version	Date	Reason for Revision	Revised By	Approved By
		Supersedes SOP H016.001		
000	9/18/2014	Update owner Section 5: Step E.2 - remove SGAH & WAH, delete reference to automated stainer, add note Section 6: update SOP title, move log from section 9 Footer: version # leading zero's dropped due to new EDCS in use as of 10/7/13.	H Genser L Barrett	R SanLuis
1	12/6/16	Header: add other sites Section 5: step A.1 - add urine cups; step 5.C - add stool sample	L Barrett	R SanLuis

9. ADDENDA AND APPENDICES

None