## Protocol for H & E Staining (Hematoxylin and Eosin)

- 1. (a) Deparaffinize or (b) hydrate frozen sections
  - (a) 2x xylene, 100% EtOH, 95% EtOH, 70% EtOH, 2x H<sub>2</sub>O (2 min each)
  - (b) 3x distilled H<sub>2</sub>O (2 min each)
- 2. Stain

Mayer?s Hematoxylin Solution (1 min or 2 min for Bouin?s fixed sections)
\*\*Avoid excessive water carry-over into solution by blotting

3. Rinse

Warm running tap water (15 min)

\*\*Do not let the water run directly on the slides
Place in distilled H<sub>2</sub>O (30 sec)
Place in 95% reagent alcohol (30 sec)

4. Counterstain

Eosin Y Solution (1 min or 2 min for Bouin?s fixed sections) \*\*Alcoholic No. HT110-1

5. Dehydrate and clear

2x 95% reagent alcohol, 2x absolute reagent alcohol (100% EtOH), 2x xylene (2 min each)

6. Mount with resinous mounting medium