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Histoheme and Soft Nail

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Histoheme Cat. #24774

Bloody specimens are nothing new to the Histology Department of any hospital or pharmaceutical research department. The challenge is in cutting these specimens without "chatter" or severe "flaking", making water baths and microtomes dirty from residual blood.

Histoheme is an ammonia based emollient, alleviates these problems and mess. Trimming into these blocks and soaking tissue such as placenta, bone marrow biopsies, liver, or spleen in Histoheme permits the technician to cut full, clean sections and allows for better morphological staining. We suggest that specimens of this nature be saved as last cut to prevent cross contamination of water baths and to prevent "floaters" on slides.

Soft Nail Cat. #24775

Keratinized tissue such as hair, nails and skin that has been well processed are common samples in Mohs laboratories. Processing tends to harden these tissue however, and presents the challenge of getting complete sections or sections without "Venetian Blind Effect". By placing trimmed tissue into Soft Nail these tissues, cut more easily and permit the technician to stain for morphology without shredding or torn tissue and helps to alleviate folding of tissue on slides.

Protocols for Histoheme or Soft Nail

- 1. Trim Blocks 10-20 microns
- 2. Soak in small amounts of Histoheme or Soft Nail. (dispose of used material to prevent cross contamination)
- 3. Place block in microtome chuck and recut for 4-5um sections.

Neither Histoheme or Soft Nail will have any effect on H & E staining or Immunohistochemistry stains. These products are completely removed during the departaffinzation process.

Ordering Information

Cat. #	Description	Size
24774-250	Histoheme	250ml
24775-250	Soft Nail	250ml

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