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OUT, OUT, DAMNED STRAWBERRY JUICE

For years, hospitals have used Erado-Sol to remove blood and iodine stains. Now it's being sold to consumers as

Stain Rx (800-525-6262 or stainrx.com; 16 ounces for \$12). To test it, we mashed strawberries, blood and coffee into two white T-shirts. On one, a splash of Stain Rx removed the berry juice. Two more splashes, and the other blotches went beige. A cold-

water machine wash left the shirt nearly spotless. The sec-

ond shirt was soaked and scrubbed in detergent with bleach alternative; yellow-tan marks remained. Stain Rx smells like a perm (to mask a sulfur compound), but its makers are coy about ingredients: "pink coloring, water, and a dozen chemicals." – *Caroline Hsu*



