

BIOLOGY

ClearSee clearing method


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Day 1

Prepare the ClearSee Solution:


	Final []	For 100mL
Xylitol	10%	10g
Na Deoxycholate	15%	15g
Urea	25%	25g
H ₂ O		up to 100mL

4% PFA = 4% Paraformaldehyde (diluted in 1X PBS)

 *PFA is kept in the lab fridge*

PROTOCOL:

- Fix roots for 30 min in 4%PFA under vaccum

 *Use the vaccum pumb that is in the drawer under the Lab mac computer. Ask someone is you don't know how to use it*

- Wash tissue 2x with 1x PBS (1 min each wash)

 *10x PBS recipe is in the ROCHE LAB-FAQs Book*

- Add ClearSee Solution
- Incubate the samples for a minimun of 4 days at Room Temperature


 *Samples can be stored in the ClearSee solution for at least 5 months*

- Post staining:

- Prepare Calcofluor White: 100mg/mL in ClearSee solution

- Incubate samples in **calcofluor** for 1h



 *If we need to stain the nuclei, we can use Hoechst 33342 (10ug/mL) in clearsee solution over night.*

- Wash tissues with ClearSee for 1h
- Mount samples in ClearSee