

# QUICK GUIDE: RNAscope® 2.5 BROWN – PART 2

## Tissue Pretreatment (Part 2)

### Prepare Sections

1. Turn on HybEZ™ oven and switch to or ensure oven is in “Hold T” mode and set at 60°C.
2. Bake slides for 60 MIN at 60°C in oven tray without humidifying paper.

### Prepare Materials

1. Reduce HybEZ™ Oven temperature to 40°C by switching to “RNAscope” mode. Place a wet humidifying paper in the Humidity Control Tray and re-insert covered tray into oven.

### Apply RNAscope® Protease III

1. Once oven reaches 40°C, place slides in HybEZ™ Slide Rack, and **add 2-4 drops of Protease III** to each section. Use enough solution to completely cover the sections.
2. Place the HybEZ™ Slide Rack in the prewarmed oven. Incubate at 40°C for 30 MIN.  
\*\* Prepare RNAscope® 2.5 assay materials during this step.
3. Wash slides in clear EZ-Batch Wash Tray by **submerging** them in **dH<sub>2</sub>O** and tilting tray back and forth 3-5 times. **Repeat** with **fresh dH<sub>2</sub>O**.

## RNAscope® 2.5 Assay

Workflow Steps	
PREPARE THE MATERIALS ~10-30 MIN	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Prepare 1.1L of 1X Wash Buffer by adding 1078 mL dH<sub>2</sub>O and 22 mL of 50X Wash Buffer to a 1L glass bottle. Mix well.</li><li>2. Equilibrate reagents and equipment:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remove Amp 1-6 from refrigerator.</li><li>• Warm probes by placing bottles atop the preheated HybEZ™ Oven, then cool to RT prior to use.</li></ul></li></ol>
RUN THE ASSAY ~5 HOURS	
Hybridize Probe ↓	<b>Hybridize Probe (2 HRS at 40°C)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Remove excess liquid from slides and <b>add ~40µL of probe</b> to each section.</li><li>2. Insert sealed tray containing HybEZ™ Slide Rack back into HybEZ™ Oven for <b>2 HRS at 40°C</b>. Remove slide rack.</li><li>3. Wash slides in 1X Wash Buffer by tilting the tray for <b>2 MIN at RT</b>. Repeat with fresh 1X Wash Buffer.</li></ol>
Hybridize Amp 1 ↓	
Hybridize Amp 2 ↓	<b>Hybridize Amp 1 (30 MIN at 40°C)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Remove excess liquid from slides and <b>add 2-4 drops of Amp 1</b> to each section.</li><li>2. Insert sealed tray containing HybEZ™ Slide Rack back into HybEZ™ Oven for <b>30 MIN at 40°C</b>. Remove slide rack.</li><li>3. Wash slides in 1X Wash Buffer by tilting the tray for <b>2 MIN at RT</b>. Repeat with fresh 1X Wash Buffer.</li></ol>
Hybridize Amp 3 ↓	
Hybridize Amp 4 ↓	
Hybridize Amp 5 ↓	
Hybridize Amp 6 ↓	<b>Hybridize Amp 2 (15 MIN at 40°C)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Remove excess liquid from slides and <b>add 2-4 drops of Amp 2</b> to each section.</li><li>2. Insert sealed tray containing HybEZ™ Slide Rack back into HybEZ™ Oven for <b>15 MIN at 40°C</b>. Remove slide rack.</li><li>3. Wash slides in 1X Wash Buffer by tilting the tray for <b>2 MIN at RT</b>. Repeat with fresh 1X Wash Buffer.</li></ol>
Detect the Signal ↓	
Counterstain the Slides ↓	

Mount the Slides	<b>Hybridize Amp 3 (30 MIN at 40°C)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove excess liquid from slides and <b>add 2-4 drops of Amp 3</b> to each section.</li> <li>2. Insert sealed tray containing HybEZ™ Slide Rack back into HybEZ™ Oven for <b>30 MIN</b> at <b>40°C</b>. Remove slide rack.</li> <li>3. Wash slides in 1X Wash Buffer by tilting the tray for <b>2 MIN</b> at <b>RT</b>. Repeat with fresh 1X Wash Buffer.</li> </ol>
	<b>Hybridize Amp 4 (15 MIN at 40°C)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove excess liquid from slides and <b>add 2-4 drops of Amp 4</b> to each section.</li> <li>2. Insert sealed tray containing HybEZ™ Slide Rack back into HybEZ™ Oven for <b>15 MIN</b> at <b>40°C</b>. Remove slide rack but do <b>not</b> place tray back into oven.</li> <li>3. Wash slides in 1X Wash Buffer by tilting the tray 3-5 times every 30 seconds for <b>2 MIN</b> at <b>RT</b>. Repeat with fresh 1X Wash Buffer.</li> </ol>
	<b>Hybridize Amp 5 (30 MIN at RT)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove excess liquid from slides and <b>add 2-4 drops of Amp 5</b> to each section.</li> <li>2. Incubate sealed tray containing HybEZ™ Slide Rack for <b>30 MIN</b> at <b>RT</b>.</li> <li>3. Wash slides in 1X Wash Buffer by tilting the tray 3-5 times every 30 seconds for <b>2 MIN</b> at <b>RT</b>. Repeat with fresh 1X Wash Buffer.</li> </ol>
	<b>Hybridize Amp 6 (15 MIN at RT)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove excess liquid from slides and <b>add 2-4 drops of Amp 6</b> to each section.</li> <li>2. Incubate sealed tray containing HybEZ™ Slide Rack for <b>15 MIN</b> at <b>RT</b>.</li> <li>3. Wash slides in 1X Wash Buffer by tilting the tray 3-5 times every 30 seconds for <b>2 MIN</b> at <b>RT</b>. Repeat with fresh 1X Wash Buffer.</li> </ol>
	<b>Detect the Signal (10 MIN at RT)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mix equal volumes of BROWN-A and BROWN-B (pipette 20 µL/section for each one).</li> <li>2. Remove excess liquid from slides and <b>pipette 40 µL of DAB</b> onto each tissue section.</li> <li>3. Incubate sealed tray containing HybEZ™ Slide Rack for <b>10 MIN</b> at <b>RT</b>.</li> <li>4. Remove DAB from slides and wash 3-5 times in <b>dH<sub>2</sub>O</b>.</li> </ol>
	<b>Counterstain the Slides</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Follow Nissl protocol for RNAscope outlined in wet lab recipe/protocol binder (also on lab webpage).</li> </ol> <b>Mount the Slides</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use 3-4 drops of Permount and coverslip, let air dry overnight at RT.</li> </ol>