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# Expression of molecular markers in mouse and human stellate ganglia

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**ABSTRACT** 

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MATERIALS TEXT

**Equipement:** 



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Fisherbrand™ Superfrost™ Plus

Microscope Slides
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For frozen sections, cytocentrifuge preparations, and standard Papanicolaou smears

Frosted: ¾" SuperFrost Tab Type: Microscope Slide Width (Metric): 25 mm Corner Style: Regular Length (Metric): 75 mm

Material: Glass Color: White

Fisherbrand™ Cover Glasses: Rectangles

**Cover Glasses** 

Fisherbrand 12-544-EP

Material: Borosilicate Glass Length (Metric): 50 mm

Dimensions (L x W): 50 x 24 mm

For Use With: Microscope, Histology, Cytology,

Hematology, Microbiology Product Type: Coverglass No. 1.5

Shape: Rectangular Width (Metric): 24 mm

Thickness (Metric): 0.16 to 0.19 mm

ImmEDGE Hydrophobic Barrier Pen

Pen

Vector Laboratories NC9545623 👄

Applications: Immunohistochemistry /

Immunocytochemistry, Immunofluorescence, In

situ hybridization

## Reagents:



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Scientific Catalog #50-980-488

Scientific Catalog #BP3994

**X** VECTASHIELD® Hardset™ Antifade Mounting Medium **Vector** 

Laboratories Catalog #H-1400

⊠ Triton X-100 Sigma

Aldrich Catalog #T8787-50ML

Andwin Scientific Tissue-Tek™ CRYO-OCT Compound Fisher

Scientific Catalog #14-373-65

**⊠**DAPI Fisher

Scientific Catalog #D3571

Immunoresearch Catalog #017-000-121

## **Primary Antibodies:**

Α	В	С	D	E
Reagent	Dilution	Provider	Cat. No/SKU	RRID
Anti-Tyrosine Hydroxylase Antibody	1:100	Millipore- Sigma	AB152	AB_390204
Anti-Tyrosine Hydroxylase Antibody	1:400	Abcam	ab76442	AB_1524535
Anti-Neuropeptide Y Antibody	1:500	Sigma-Aldrich	M9528	AB_260814
Anti-Vasoactive Intestinal Peptide Antibody	1:500	Immunostar	20077	AB_572270

**Secondary Antibodies:** 

Α	В	С	D	E
Reagent	Dilution	Provider	Cat. No/SKU	RRID
Anti-Rabbit	1:500	ThermoFisher	A11034	AB_2576217
Secondary		Scientific		
Antibody				
Anti-Rabbit	1:500	ThermoFisher	A31572	AB_162543
Secondary		Scientific		
Antibody				
Anti-Chicken	1:500	ThermoFisher	A21449	AB_1500594
Secondary		Scientific		
Antibody				

#### **BEFORE STARTING**

The human stellate ganglia (SG) were provided by Dr. Olujimi Ajijola at UCLA. The tissue was collected post-mortem from a 44-year-old female donor and dissected immediately after the donor's death.

The dissection procedure of murine SG is described in the "Tissue Harvesting" section of our protocol, "Injection of cholera toxin subunit B in the interscapular brown adipose fat and Stellate Ganglion dissection."



# Postfixation of the tissue

1 Both mouse and human stellate ganglia (SG) were fixed in 4% PFA in 0.1M PB overnight at 4°C, washed with Phosphate Buffer Saline (PBS) 4°C for at least 1 h

# Encasing and slicing

2 Ganglia were encased in Optimal Cutting Temperature compound (Tissue-Tek) cut into 10  $\mu$ m cryo-sections on slides, and stored at -80°C

### Immunohistochemistry

3 Thaw the sections at room temperature for at least 1 hour



4	Wash in PBS for 30 min twice at room temperature
5	Incubate in blocking buffer (5% donkey serum in PBS with 0.1% Triton X-100) for 1 hour at room temperature
6	Incubate the sections with primary antibodies diluted in blocking buffer overnight at 4C
7	Wash in PBS for 30 min three times at room temperature
8	Incubate the sections with secondary antibodies and DAPI for 1 hour at room temperature
9	Wash in PBS for 30 min three times at room temperature
10	Mount your slides using relevant mounting media and cover slip
Imaging	Image the sections using a confocal microscope
Analysi	s l
12	Analyze the picture using ImageJ/FIJI