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# Light microscopy immunoperoxidase staining protocol

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## ABSTRACT

This protocol details the procedure of light microscopy immunoperoxidase staining protocol.

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1d 4h 30m

- 1 Select sections to process from the brain tissue bank.
- 2   
Wash sections thoroughly with a phosphate-buffered saline(PBS, **1mM 0.01 Molarity (M)**, **pH 7.4**) solution.
- 3 Treat the sections at **Room temperature** with a 1% sodium borohydride (NaBH<sub>4</sub>) solution<sup>20m</sup> in PBS for **00:20:00**.
- 4   
Rinse sections thoroughly in PBS.
- 5 Pre-incubate sections for **01:00:00** at **Room temperature** in a solution containing 1%<sup>1h</sup> normal serum (from the species used to generate the secondary antibodies), 0.3% Triton X-100, and 1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) in PBS.
- 6   
Incubate the sections for **24:00:00** at **Room temperature** in a solution containing the primary antibodies in 1% normal serum, 0.3% Triton X-100, and 1% BSA in PBS. 1d
- 7   
Next day, thoroughly rinse the sections in PBS.
- 8   
1h 30m



Incubate the sections in a PBS solution containing the appropriate biotinylated secondary antibody (1:200; Vector Labs, Burlingame, CA, USA) combined with 1% normal serum, 0.3% Triton X-100, and 1% BSA for **01:30:00** at **Room temperature** .

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Wash the sections in PBS.

10



1h 30m

Incubate the sections in an avidin-biotin-peroxidase complex (ABC; 1:100; Vector Labs, Burlingame, CA, USA) solution for **01:30:00** at **Room temperature** .

11



Rinse the sections in PBS twice followed by a third rinse in TRIS buffer ( **0.05 Molarity (M)** ; **7.6** ).

12



10m

Incubate the sections in a solution containing 0.025% 3,3'-diaminobenzidine tetrahydrochloride, **10 millimolar (mM)** imidazole, and 0.005% hydrogen peroxide in Tris buffer for **00:10:00** at **Room temperature** .

13



Rinse the sections with PBS.

14

Mount sections onto gelatin-coated slides, and coverslip with Permount.

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Digitalize the slides with an Aperio ScanScope CS system (Aperio Technologies).