



Artificial seawater V.1

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ABSTRACT

Three alternative solutions for artificial seawater (ASW) have been tested successfully on our *Botrylloides* colonies. For routine work, we use commercial sea salts (CSS), for most analyses we use the Cold Spring Harbor Protocols (CSPH) and for very clean work the K-depleted Phosphate-buffered saline (K-PBS). While, CSPH and K-PBS can be prepared at 10X, CSS should be prepared at 2X directly. Mix to dissolve and adjust pH as well as salinity to your local conditions.

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MATERIALS TEXT

- Commercial sea salts
- NaCl
- KCl
- CaCl_2
- $\text{MgCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- $\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$
- Na_2HPO_4

2X CSS

- 1  **70 g** sea salt in  **1 L** H_2O .
- 2 Mix to dissolve.
- 3 Filter at 10 μm

10x CSHP

- 4 To prepare 10X CSHP take

A	B	C
NaCl	262.9g	4.5M
KCl	7.4g	100mM
CaCl_2	9.9g	90mM
$\text{MgCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	60.9g	300mM
$\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$	39.4g	160mM
H_2O	1000ml	

10X K-PBS

- 5 To prepare 10x K-PBS take

A	B	C
NaH ₂ PO ₄ · H ₂ O	2.8 g	0.02 M
Na ₂ HPO ₄	11.4 g	0.08 M
NaCl	87.5 g	1.5 M
H ₂ O	1000ml	