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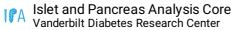
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This is an overview of all protocols currently in use by the Vanderbilt Diabetes Research Center <u>Islet & Pancreas Analysis (IPA) Core</u> and Powers/Brissova Research Group for performing multiplexed imaging of the human pancreas using the CO-Detection by indEXing (<u>CODEX</u>®) platform (now <u>PhenoCycler™</u>; Akoya Biosciences). It includes links to each of the individual protocols that make up the workflow for various applications and projects.

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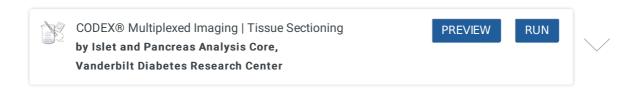
1 Procure and/or prepare samples fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (PFA).

<u>HuBMAP | VU TMC Eye/Pancreas | Human Pancreas Processing for Multiple Applications</u> (HuBMAP)

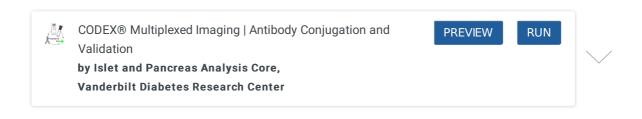
Mouse Pancreas Dissection and Fixation for Cryosectioning (IPA Core)

4% PFA fixation optimally preserves pancreas cell morphology and improves staining quality. Tissues may be embedded in either Optimal Temperature Cutting (OCT) media or carboxymethylcellulose (CMC).

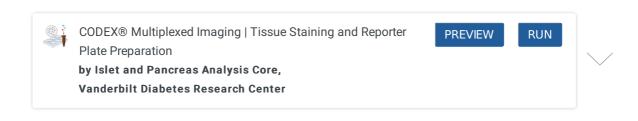
2 Prepare coverslips with pancreas sections.



- (i) Samples mounted on coverslips can be stored at & -80 °C for up to 2 months. All of our optimization of this protocol was done on → 1-10 μm cryosections.
- 3 Design antibody panel using a combination of <u>preconjugated</u> or custom-conjugated primary antibodies.

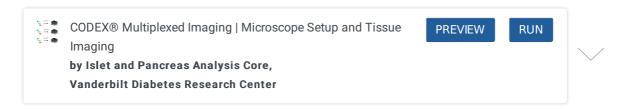


- (i) For information on HuBMAP Organ Mapping Antibody Panels (OMAPs), please visit the CCF Portal here.
- 4 Label tissue with primary antibodies and prepare reagents for imaging.



(i) See also: Akoya Biosciences PhenoCycler™ User Manual

5 Perform cyclic fluorescent imaging of tissue.



6 Process raw imaging data.

As of May 2022, raw imaging data is processed using CODEX Processor v1.8.1.9 (Akoya Biosciences), which performs image stitching, z-plane selection, background subtraction, deconvolution, and shading correction.

(i) See also: CODEX® Processor User Instructions & Technical Notes

7 [Optional] Perform registration with other imaging modalities.

Autofluorescence (AF) Registration (HuBMAP)

