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# OMS Atlas OCT Spatial Mapping V.2

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## ABSTRACT

This protocol describes the procedure by which the OMS Atlas serially sections an OCT block, prepares the resulting slides and samples, and then distributes the specimens for downstream analysis.

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## MATERIALS TEXT

### MATERIALS

[Tanner Scientific 45° White Adhesive Slide with Beveled Edge](#) **Mercedes**

**Medical Catalog #TNR WHT45AD**

[1.0mm PEN membrane covered slides](#) ;

**100pieces Zeiss Catalog #415190-9041-000**

Additional equipment:

- UV lamp
- Cryostat
- Cryotubes

## BEFORE STARTING

Transfer OCT blocks to OHSU Knight Histopathology Shared Resource (HSR) for sectioning and processing.

Preparation

- 1 Verify the identity of the OCT block to be cut against written request for sectioning.
- 2 Remove OCT block from  $-80^{\circ}\text{C}$  freezer and acclimate to cryostat ( $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) for minimum of 03:00:00.
- 3 Label all slides and cryotubes with a unique BEMS ID and Part#, corresponding to the written request and OCT spatial map (below).

A	B	C	D	E
Part#	Description	Thickness	Assay	Recipient
1	Tanner slide	5 $\mu\text{m}$	Cyclic Immunofluorescence	OHSU, Koei Chin
2	Tanner slide	5 $\mu\text{m}$	H&E	OHSU, HSR
3	Tanner slide	5 $\mu\text{m}$	Cyclic Immunofluorescence (Tumor Panel)	HMS, Alyce Chen
4	Tanner slide	5 $\mu\text{m}$ (Set Cryostat at 12 $\mu\text{m}$ )	Cyclic Immunofluorescence (Tumor Panel)	HMS, Alyce Chen
5	Cryotube	7 $\mu\text{m}$	Single Cell DNA Sequencing	MD Anderson, Nick Navin
6	PEN membrane slide	12 $\mu\text{m}$	Topographic Single Cell Sequencing	MD Anderson, Nick Navin
7	PEN membrane slide	12 $\mu\text{m}$ (Set Cryostat at 40 $\mu\text{m}$ )	Topographic Single Cell Sequencing	MD Anderson, Nick Navin
8	Cryotube	40 $\mu\text{m}$ (2 sections)	Single Cell DNA Sequencing	MD Anderson, Nick Navin
9	Remainder of OCT block	NA	Single Cell Indexing ATAC Sequencing	OHSU, Andrew Adey

- 4 Prepare PEN membrane slides by exposing close (~15-20cm) to a UV source for 00:15:00.

#### Sectioning

- 5 Affix OCT block to cryostat chuck.
- 6 Orient and face block to get adequate amount of core.  
*Note: Avoid excessive facing to reduce tissue loss.*
- 7 Set cryostat to 5 micron sections.  
*Note: All sections cut from here on should be sequential. The serial order, adjacency, and consistent orientation of the sections are all important factors. Please note any deviations from the protocol.*
- 8 Cut first four sections at 5 microns (Part#1-4) and affix onto appropriately labeled Tanner slide according to OCT spatial map (step #3 above).

- 9 Change section thickness to 12 microns.
- 10 Cut one section (Part#5) and place in a cryotube.  
*Note: This is an intermediate section generated when the Cryostat is switching thicknesses. The actual thickness of this section should be about 7µm.*
- 11 Cut two sections (Part#6, 7) and place on appropriate membrane slides.
- 12 Change section thickness to 40 microns.
- 13 Cut 2 sections (Part#8) and place both sections in a single cryotube.
- 14 Place all slides, both cryotubes, and remaining OCT block in **-80 °C** freezer.  
*Note: No slides are to be fixed under this protocol.*

#### Processing

- 15 Perform hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) staining on slide labeled Part#2 (see OCT spatial map in step #3 above).
- 16 Deliver unstained slides (Part#1, 3, 4, 6, 7), cryotubes (Part#5, 8), and remainder OCT block (Part#9) to BioLibrary for distribution.  
*Note: Keep samples frozen at all times. Store at **-80 °C** . Transfer/ship on dry ice.*