

# NBF Prep Worksheet (1 L)

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**Goal:** prepare ~4% formaldehyde (10% NBF) from 37% stock.

$c_1v_1 = c_2v_2$ .

$c_1=37$ ,  $c_2=4$ ,  $v_2=1000$  mL  $\rightarrow v_1 = (4/37)*1000 \sim 108$  mL formaldehyde stock.

Add phosphate buffer salts to pH ~7.0-7.2; bring to volume with distilled water.

**Record:** date, operator, lot numbers (formaldehyde, buffer), final pH, label container.

**Safety:** work in hood; PPE; secondary containment; spill kit.

## Dilution Practice

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- 1) How much 37% stock for 500 mL of 10% NBF?  $V_1 \sim 54 \text{ mL}$ .
- 2) If final pH reads 6.6: adjust buffer, verify meter, recheck after mixing.
- 3) List three QC items to log for each batch.