

**TERRA FISH with Dig-labeled DNA probe + IF (Katharina Deeg, AG Rippe)**

**DAY 1**

- cells are grown on cover slips and incubated with CSK buffer for 5 min on ice (CSK buffer either with Vanadyl Ribonucleoside Complex (1:20) or with RNase A (1:200))
- wash cells with 1X PBS
- fix cells with 4% PFA for 12 min (under hood)
- wash cells with 1X PBS
- make EtOH series: 70% → 85% → 100%, 3 min each
- air dry coverslips
- put drops of 2-5 µl of Dig-labeled TERRA (final concentration 50 ng/µl in 50% Formamide, 2x SSC + 10% Dextrane) on slides
- put coverslips slowly on it (cell side down)
- seal with fixogum and put slides in wet chamber
- hybridize at 37 °C overnight

**CSK buffer:**

100mM NaCl  
300mM sucrose  
3mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>  
10mM PIPES  
0.5% triton  
10mM Vanadyl Ribonucleoside Complex (1:20)

**20x SSC buffer:**

3M Sodium Chloride  
300 mM Sodium Citrate  
pH 7.0

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### **DAY 2**

- Remove fixogum carefully and transfer coverslips in 12-well plate for washing
- Wash with 2X SSC, 50% formamide, 2x15 min @ RT
- Wash with 0.2X SSC, 0.1% Tween, 1x10 min @ 40°C
- Wash with 2X SSC, 1x5 min @RT
- Wash cells with 1X PBS
- Permeabilize in 0.1% ice cold TritonX/PBS for 5 min
- Wash cells with 1X PBS
- Block in 10% goat serum in PBS for >15 min (30-50 µl for large coverslips; 15-20 µl for small ones)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Antibody:     Mouse anti-DIG (Roche) 1:100 in 10% goat serum/PBS
  - on parafilm in wet chamber for >1 h at RT
- Wash 3x5 min with 0.002% NP40/PBS in well plate
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Antibody:     Anti-mouse Alexa488 1:500 in PBS
  - on parafilm in wet chamber for >30 min at RT
- Wash 3x 5 min PBS, protect from light!
- Quickly in H<sub>2</sub>O (to remove salts)
- 1 min in 100% EtOH
- air dry coverslips
- Mount with Prolong (5-10 µl)