



#### Core Imaging Facility

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### DAPI Staining Protocol

Prepare the following solutions:

(To determine the amount needed for your experiment, please note that one tube of **Solution 1** will yield a total of 100mL of working solution, at a final concentration of 0.5ug/mL.)

**Solution 1\*:**                                5 µL DAPI (10 mg/ml solution)  
    995 µL PBS  
\* Solution is viable for one month if stored at 4° in the dark

**Solution 2 (working solution):**        10 µL of Solution 1  
    990 µL PBS

**Treatment:**    →Add **Solution 2** (working solution) to your tissue/cells and incubate at room temperature for 1-5 minutes.  
                             →Rinse 2X with PBS.  
                             →Mount coverslip with Shur/Mount, Prolong or comparable antifade medium.  
                             →Seal coverslips (if necessary) with Valap or nail polish.\*\*

***\*\*Try to avoid nail polish if are visualizing GFP, as the additives in nail polish tend to quench the signal.***