

AP STAINING OF CELLS

- 1) Wash cells with PBS (- Ca⁺⁺, Mg⁺⁺)
- 2) Fix with cold Glutaraldehyde (0.5%)
 - 5-10' R.T.
 - remove fixative

If double-staining begin at this stage at end of X-gal staining

- 3) Wash cells with PBS (- Ca⁺⁺, Mg⁺⁺)
 - 3 x
- 4) Incubate with AP buffer (0.1 M Tris pH 9.5) + Levamisole (1 µl/1.5 ml)
 - 65°C for ~20'
 - can use oven (longer time) or water bath
- 5) Cool to RT
 - Levamisole 1 µl in 1.5 ml AP buffer/well of 6 well
 - Incubate 10' RT
 - Remove
- 6) Incubate with AP stain (0.6 ml/well of 6-well)(in dark) at RT until colour change (~20 - 60')

AP Stain (BCIP / NBT (Vector Kit IV))

BCIP	2 drops
NBT	1 drop
Levamisol	1 drops
MgCl ₂	2 drops
Tris pH 9.5 (0.1 M)	to 5 ml

- 7) Remove AP stain
- 6) Wash cells with H₂O