1.0 Purpose
The purpose of SOP 5.12 is to provide instructions for doubling staining for paraffin sections (ALDH1 mouse primary antibody (BD transduction lab)), ERa rabbit primary antibody

2.0 Scope
SOP 5.12 is intended to cover all resources, personnel and equipment in the BCR laboratory.

3.0 Materials

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4.0 Procedure

4.1 Deparaffine the slides cut from paraffin-embedded Tissue sections.
- 3x xylenes for 10 minutes each.
- 2x 100% EtOH for 5 minutes each.
- Wash in dH₂O for 5 minutes on a rocker plate.
- When conducting Step 1, please set the water bath fo 98° C

4.2 Antigen unmasking (Retrieve): Soak the slides in heated (98° C water bath) ready-to-use Citrate Buffer (pH 6.0) for 40 minutes. Take the slides out together with the buffer from the water bath and let it cool down to room temperature (takes more than 20 minutes). Wash in dH₂O for 15 minutes.

4.3 Submerge slides in Peroxidase quenching solution (cold 3% hydrogen peroxide in methanol) for 10 minutes.

4.4 Wash in 1x PBS for 15 minutes with several changes of PBS.

4.5 DAB Kits and AEC can share the same reagents except for the Chromagen!

4.6 Start to use the Histostain®-Plus kits (DAB kits) for ERa

4.7 Add enough Serum blocking solution (reagent 1A) to completely cover tissue. Incubate for 10 minutes. Drain or blot off solution. Do not rinse!

4.8 PRIMARY ANTIBODY
- Tap off excess Serum blocking solution and wipe slides as before. Apply enough optimally diluted primary antibody (1:100 dilution of ERa in 1x PBS) to cover cells. Incubate 1 hour at room temperature.
- Wash in fresh 1x PBS for > 10 minutes with > 2 changes of 1x PBS.
4.9 Apply enough Biotinylated Second Antibody (Reagent 1B) to completely cover the cells. Incubate for 10 minutes.
4.10 Wash in 1x PBS for 10 minutes with >2 changes of PBS.
4.11 Apply enough Enzyme Conjugate (Reagent 2) to completely cover the cells. Incubate for 10 minutes.
4.12 Wash in 1x PBS for 10 minutes with >2 changes of PBS.
4.13 Add 1 drop of reagent 3A, 1 drop of reagent 3B, and 1 drop of reagent 3C to 1 mL distilled water, mix well and protect from light. Incubate slides at room temperature for 3-5 (7) minutes (need to observe under microscope).
4.14 Rinse well with distilled water for five minutes and then in 1x PBS for ten minutes.
4.15 **Start to use the Histostain®-Plus Kits (AEC kit from Zymed Lab, Cat. 85-9943) for GFP staining**
4.16 Add enough Serum Blocking Solution (Reagent A) to completely cover tissue. Incubate for 10 minutes. Then drain or blot off solution. **Do not rinse!**
4.17 PRIMARY ANTIBODY
   - Don’t let ALDH get warm!
   - Tap off excess Serum blocking solution and wipe slides as before. Apply enough optimally diluted primary antibody (1:50 dilution of ALDH1 primary antibody in 1x PBS) to cover cells. Incubate 1 hour at room temperature.
   - Wash in fresh 1x PBS for > 15 minutes with several changes of 1x PBS.
4.18 Apply enough enzyme conjugate (Reagent C) to completely cover the cells. Incubate for 10 minutes.
4.19 Wash in 1x PBS for 15 minutes with several changes of PBS.
4.20 **DO NOT EQUILIBRATE AEC Single Solution TO ROOM TEMPERATURE BEFORE USE!** Add cold (2-8°C) AEC Single Solution (Reagent D) to slides. Immediately return AEC Single Solution back to 2-8°C storage. Incubate slides at room temperature for 12 minutes (need to observe under microscope).
4.21 Rinse well with distilled water.
4.22 HEMATOXYLIN COUNTERSTAIN (optional)
   - Apply enough hematoxylin to cover specimen. Length of incubation depends on the strength of hematoxylin used (1 minute).
   - Rinse gently in a distilled water bath for > 15 minutes.
   - Check the color under microscope.
4.23 MOUNTING
   - Specimens may be mounted and cover slipped with an aqueous-based mounting medium such as Glycerin (don’t dehydrate the cells)
   - Slides may be stored up to one year.

5.0 Applicable References

6.0 Change Description

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