

# Cellular / Slice electrophysiology

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### **SCOPE OF THE METHOD**

The Method relates to	Human health
The Method is situated in	Basic Research
Type of method	In vitro - Ex vivo
This method makes use of	Animal derived cells / tissues / organs
Species from which cells/tissues/organs are derived	Mice / Rat
Type of cells/tissues/organs	Brain / Neuronal cell

### **DESCRIPTION**

# **Method keywords**

Patch clamp Field potential

#### Brain slice

### Scientific area keywords

Electrophysiology neuroscience Physiology

## **Method description**

In this method, it is possible to use active/viable animal or human brain slices / cells (normal or disease model) to study the effects of different drugs on brain cells (neuron or glia) in diverse brain region.

# Lab equipment

Vibration isolation table with Faraday cage;
Signal amplifier;
Digitizer;
Micromanipulator;
IR-DIC Microscope;
Perfusion pump;
Glass pipette microforge.

### **Method status**

History of use Published in peer reviewed journal

# PROS, CONS & FUTURE POTENTIAL

### **Advantages**

Reduce animal use;

Any drugs can be tested before clinical studies;

Possibility of sharing same animal for different experiments depending on target brain regions.

### **Challenges**

Require sophisticated instruments which are expensive;

Require long training before successful implementation.

### REFERENCES, ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS AND OTHER INFORMATION

#### References

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#### **Associated documents**

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