North2South Chemiluminescent Detection

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Note: *Volumes may change depending on size of membrane & containers used.*Rinse forceps between each step.

- 1. The day before (ie after starting hybridization) bring Hybridization Stringency Wash Buffer (2X) to room temperature- warm to 37° C if there is still a precipitate. Then make dilution for needed volume. For 1 blot: 40 mls of 2X buffer plus 40 mls of sterile H_2O . This wash buffer can be left in a water bath overnight at the hybridization temperature. Note: *Stringency of wash buffer can be adjusted (0.1X to 2X)*.
- 2. The next day, put Blocking Buffer, 4X Blocking Wash Buffer, & sterile water in a 37°C water bath. Put Substrate Equilibration Buffer, Peroxide Solution, & Luminol/Enhancer Solution at room temperature.
- 3. Pour off hybridization solution. Wash membrane with "1X" Hyb washing buffer.
 - a. 25 mls, 15-20 minutes, hyb temp, shaking or rotating
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- 4. Put membrane in a clean box (slightly larger than the membrane).
 - a. Add 16 mls of Blocking Buffer.
 - b. Shake gently, room temperature, 15 minutes
- 5. During step 4, mix 16 mls of Blocking Buffer + 55 ul of the strep/HRP conjugate.
 - a. After the 15 minute incubation in step 4, decant blocking buffer.
 - b. Add Blocking Buffer + conjugate.
 - c. Shake gently, room temperature, 15 minutes.
- 6. During step 5, make 1X Blocking Wash Buffer. For 1 membrane, mix 25 mls of prewarmed 4X Wash buffer and 75 mls of pre-warmed H_2O . Keep 1X buffer at $37^{\circ}C$.
 - a. After the 15 minute incubation in step 5, transfer membrane to a clean box.
 - b. Rinse briefly with 20 mls of 1X block wash.
 - c. Wash membrane 20 mls, 5 minutes, gentle shaking, room temp
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 - e. Wash membrane 20 mls, 5 minutes, gentle shaking, room temp
 - f. Wash membrane 20 mls, 5 minutes, gentle shaking, room temp

- 7. Transfer membrane to a clean box.
 - a. Wash membrane 5 minutes in Substrate Equilibration Buffer, gentle shaking, room temperature
- 8. Mix 6 mls luminol/enhancer and 6 mls peroxide solutions. Protect from light during this and following steps.
 - a. Pour mixture into clean container
 - b. Using clean forceps, pick up membrane, blot one corner on filter paper for 3 seconds, place membrane DNA/RNA side down onto the luminol/proxide "puddle".
 - c. Incubate 5 minutes, no shaking, room temperature.
 - d. Pick up membrane with forceps, blot one corner on filter paper for 3 seconds, wrap in saran wrap.
- 9. Expose membrane to CCD camera. Adjust exposure length as needed.