

## Cytoskeletal Fractioning

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### Solutions

1. Microtubule Stabilizing Buffer (MTSB): 130 mM HEPES, 4 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 10 mM EGTA, pH 6.9
2. Cytoskeletal Fractioning Buffer: Microtubule Stabilizing Buffer + 0.2% Triton

### Abbreviations

1. MTSB: Microtubule Stabilizing Buffer
2. PBS: Phosphate Buffered Saline

### Protocol

1. Before beginning, warm 10 ml of MTSB in 37°C in water bath.
2. Discard N2 media and wash once in PBS, remove and discard.
3. Add ~1 ml of detergent-free MTSB buffer for 30 seconds to stabilize, remove and discard.
4. Add ~1 ml of MTSB containing Triton for 1 min to extract.
5. Rinse carefully in ~1 ml of detergent-free MTSB for 30 seconds, remove and discard.
6. Harvest fraction in 2X Laemmli buffer for Western blotting.
7. Boil samples for 10 minutes and store at -20°C.