Fibronectin Coverslips

Day One (night before explants)

- 1. Flame polish 22mm sq. glass coverslips by immersing in 100% EtOH and flaming.
- 2. Place a glass plate on top of Whatman paper in large Petri dish, moisten Whatman paper.
- 3. Cut small spacer pieces from plastic.
- 4. Place coverslips on glass plate, place 2-3 spacers on top of coverslip.
- 5. Resuspend fibronectin in PBS at 20-25 μ g/ml (stock is 1μ g/ μ l)
- 6. Add approximately 100µl fibronectin to glass coverslip.
- 7. Place 2nd coverslip on top of first with spacers separating them.
- 8. Add fibronectin to the side of coverslip sandwich until entire area of both coverslips is exposed to fibronectin.
- 9. Leave on bench for approximately 30-45 minutes then move to 4°C overnight (room temp incubation optional).

Day Two

- 1. Place coverslips in small Petri dishes fibronectin coated side up
- 2. Wash coverslips 5' in 1X PBS
- 3. Block coverslips one hour at room temp in 1X PBS + 1% BSA
- 4. Wash coverslips 5' in 1X PBS
- 5. Fill Petri dish with Danilchik's + .1% BSA
- 6. Explant and culture explants in Danilchik's + .1% BSA