

System Pathology for Neurological Disorders

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Facile 3D visualization of human brain tissue with single-cell resolution would provide a novel concept of the neuropathological diagnosis and contribute our understanding of pathological mechanisms based on comprehensive and quantitative analysis of individual biomarker. In this laboratory, we aim at establishing a novel 3D neuropathology by developing a highly efficient clearing protocol for human brain tissue and combining with a rapid 3D imaging using light-sheet fluorescence microscopy.



Research interests

1. 3D Neuropathology based on tissue clearing technique.
2. Comprehensive 3D imaging of rodent tissue samples to facilitate our understanding of stochastic disease and multi-organ network.

Materials and methods for collaborations

1. Tissue clearing technique for rodent and primate tissue samples.
2. Functional brain mapping of mouse brain samples.

Links to additional info

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