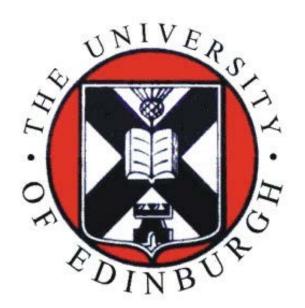
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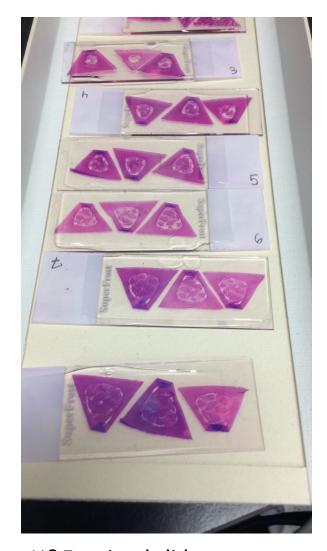
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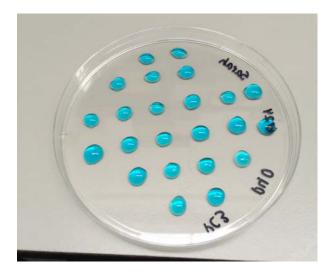


### **Project Overview**

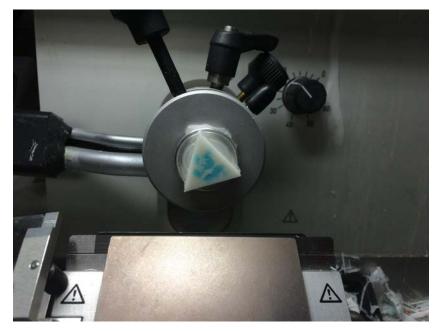
- Goal: Optimize sectioning procedure for MALDI imaging of MTS
- Why?
  - MTS are better models of in vivo tumors than 2D cultures
  - MALDI imaging can provide spatial distributions of metabolites



**H&E** stained slides



MTS embedded in colored gelatin



Gelatin block of MTS on the cryotome

## Rewarding Experiences

- Learning new lab skills and how to use instruments
- First-hand experience of what its like to be a grad student
- Achieving all the goals set out at the beginning of my work
- Traveling around Scotland and Europe

#### **Future Research**

- Now, we have a reproducible procedure for sectioning MTS and prepping them for MALDI analysis
- This fall, a PhD student will take what I did over the summer and use it to study the metabolism of tumors

# My Future

- Solidified my plans to go to grad school and get my PhD
- Gained experience in a new field that I would like to possibly do my PhD in
- Learned techniques that will be useful for thesis lab work











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