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# Mitochondrial Laboratory

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## Offer

- Isolation of mitochondria from fresh tissues and cells, optimization of isolation protocols, evaluation of the quality of isolated organelles
- Preparation of protocols for optimum tissue permeabilization and homogenization
- Analysis of mitochondrial respiratory activity in biological samples using high-resolution respirometry
- Determination of activity of selected mitochondrial enzymes
- Evaluation of the effect/s of experimentally induced pathological states and pharmacological agents on mitochondrial respiratory parameters in animal studies
- Analysis of mitochondrial activity in fresh human cells (platelets, spermatozoa) or human cell lines
- Statistical analysis of the collected data for publication purposes, testing of hypotheses, correlation analysis

## Expertise

- The Mitochondrial Laboratory focuses on evaluation of respiratory activity of isolated mitochondria or mitochondria in situ, i.e. in tissues or cells after mechanical and/or chemical permeabilization.
- The method of high-resolution respirometry enables analysis of individual complexes of mitochondrial respiratory system in tissue biopsies and intact or permeabilized cells (cultured cell lines, platelets, spermatozoa).

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