Close Encounter with a Technical Mind

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What I’m going to talk about

- My path to becoming a Technician at TUoS
- An outline of my role as a Trainee Technician
- A day in the life of...
- Aims and ambitions for my career
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A day in the life...

- Make up solutions for brain slice recordings
- Order in specific chemicals/antibodies
- Assist in a perfusion fixation
- Cryostat sectioning
- Immunohistochemistry stain
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My aims and ambitions for my career

- Short term:
  - Build on new skills: histology and IHC, animal husbandry.
  - Further broaden skillset: MatLab

- Long term:
  - Professional Registration
  - Research involvement
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