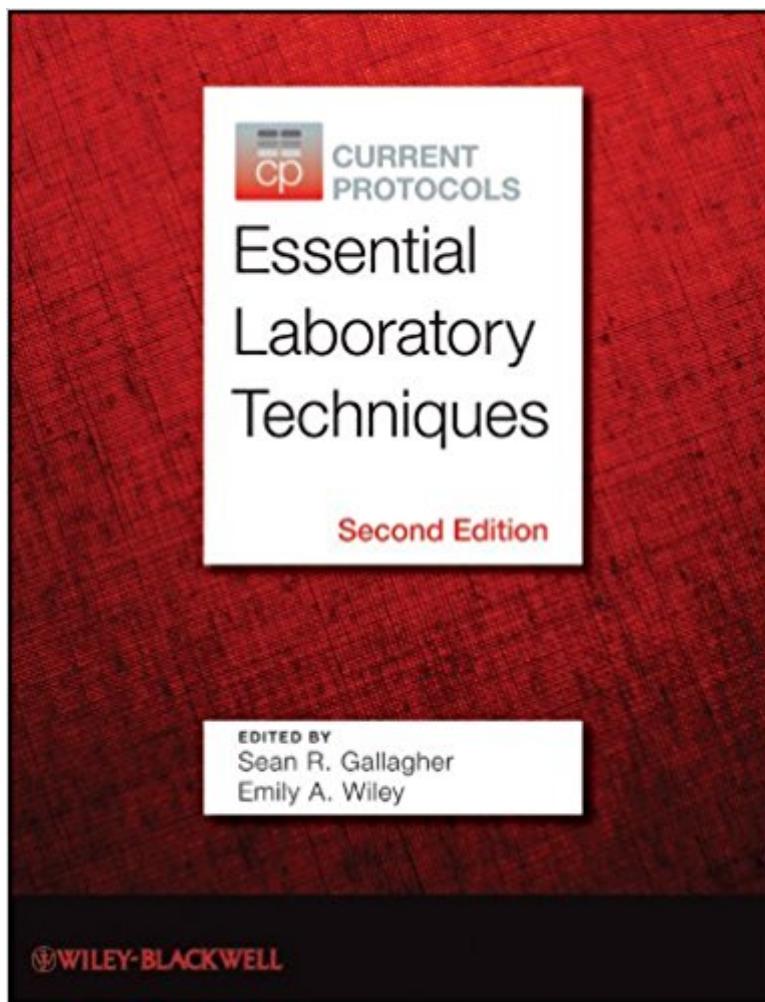


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As you work in a lab, you learn that no one does things the same way. There are always little steps people put in to try and improve a protocol. Maybe it's rational, maybe it's just superstition. This book gives a solid foundation on which to build. It covers both the actual protocols and the theory behind the protocols. The book agrees pretty well with what I'm learning in my lab. There are a few minor discrepancies. I've found that a lot of labs add extra steps that are not needed. It probably worked slightly better, or didn't hurt, so the step stayed in the protocol. But it's probably not really needed. The book presents protocols without a lot of "do this step just in case", which I like.

The first edition was a good reliable text, so it's good to see an update hitting the shelves. It has added chapters on new techniques including confocal, which I helped with (disclaimer).

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