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## Science 9

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- Remove the anther and then pick up the cover slip (using your thumb and index finger on either side of the slip)
- Place the edge of a cover slip against the solution and gently lower the cover slip over the solution (this prevents air bubbles from forming underneath the cover slip)
- Now place slide onto the center of the STAGE of one of the dissecting scopes
- Secure the slide with the stage clip(s)
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