

1. Turn on the cytometer, the server and the computer
2. Login with your Agendo Credentials:  
Username – **Your email** Password - **Your email's password**
3. Launch **ISX** software
4. Check the buffer containers level and ensure the waste tank is empty
5. Select **startup with the ASSIST** calibration check (*it takes around 45 min*)
6. Select the **File menu** and load a default template or an experiment template
7. Press **Load** and load an aliquot of a stained sample
8. Under **Illumination** option, turn on the appropriate lasers for each fluorochrome
9. Adjust the laser power to maximize brightness and prevent saturation (blue dots on the cells images)
10. Create **dot plots** and regions to identify the cell populations
11. Set the acquisition parameters
12. Chose file format (**.rif** – analyse on IDEAS, **.fsc** – analyse on FlowJo)
13. Compensate data
  - a. Select the **Compensation Wizard**
    - i. Load the single stains
    - ii. For each single confirm if the correct channel is selected
    - iii. Set the file name and press acquire to save the data
    - iv. After all singles recorded press exit to save matrix
  - b. **Manually** compensate data
    - i. **Turn off** Brightfield and SSC, **turn on** all channels
    - ii. Collect **1000 events** for each single color
    - iii. **(The final compensation will be set on IDEAS Software)**
14. Turn on the Brightfield and SSC and confirm that the lasers you need are on
15. Record all your experiment samples
16. Go to **File menu** and select **Save Template** to save an experiment template
17. Shut down the system by press the **Shutdown button**. The system will sterilize in 40 min and automatically the ImageStream, computer and server will shut down

