

Immunofluorescent Staining of Whole Blood

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Abstract

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Guidelines

Reagent List:

- Cell Staining Buffer (BioLegend Cat. No. 420201)
- Red Cell Lysis Buffer (BioLegend Cat. No. 420301)
- 7-AAD Viability Staining Solution (BioLegend Cat. No. 420403)
- TruStain FcX™ (anti-CD16/32, BioLegend Cat. No. 101319)
- Human TruStain FcX™ (Fc Receptor Blocking Solution, BioLegend Cat. No. 422301)

References:

Current Protocols in Cytometry (John Wiley & Sons, New York), Unit 6 Phenotypic Analysis.

Materials

Cell Staining Buffer [420201](#) by [BioLegend](#)

Red Cell Lysis Buffer [420301](#) by [BioLegend](#)

7-AAD Viability Staining Solution [420403](#) by [BioLegend](#)

TruStain FcX™ [101319](#) by [BioLegend](#)

Human TruStain FcX™ [422301](#) by [BioLegend](#)

Protocol

Step 1.

Add predetermined optimum concentrations of desired fluorochrome conjugated, biotinylated, or purified primary antibodies to 100 µl of anti-coagulated whole blood.

Step 2.

Incubate at room temperature for 15-20 minutes in the dark.

 **DURATION**

00:15:00

Step 3.

Dilute 10X Red Blood Cell (RBC) Lysis Buffer (BioLegend Cat. No. 420301) to 1X working concentration with DI water. Warm to room temperature prior to use.

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Red Cell Lysis Buffer [420301](#) by [BioLegend](#)

Step 4.

Add 2 ml of 1X RBC lysis solution to wholeblood/antibody mixture.

Step 5.

Incubate at room temperature for 10 minutes.

DURATION

00:10:00

Step 6.

Centrifuge at 350 X g for 5 minutes, discard the supernatant.

DURATION

00:05:00

Step 7.

Wash 1X with at least 2 ml of Cell Staining Buffer by centrifugation at 350 x g for 5 minutes.

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DURATION

00:05:00

Step 8.

If using a purified primary antibody, resuspend pellet in residual buffer and add a previously determined optimum concentration of anti-species immunoglobulin fluorochrome conjugated secondary antibody (e.g. FITC anti-mouse Ig) and incubate in the dark for 15-20 minutes.

DURATION

00:15:00

NOTES

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If using a biotinylated primary antibody, resuspend cell pellet in residual buffer and add a previously determined optimum concentration of fluorochrome conjugated Streptavidin (SAv) reagent (e.g. SAv-PE, BioLegend Cat. No. 405204) and incubate for 15-20 minutes in the dark.

Step 9.

Wash 1X with at least 2 ml of Cell Staining Buffer by centrifugation at 350 x g for 5 minutes.

DURATION

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Step 10.

Resuspend cells in 0.5 ml Cell Staining Buffer or 0.5 ml 2% paraformaldehyde-PBS fixation buffer.

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Step 11.

Analyze with a Flow Cytometer.