# Treg Polarization of Mouse CD4+ Cells

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## **Abstract**

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## **Guidelines**

## **Reagent List:**

- Sterile PBS
- Cell culture medium (RPMI 1640 supplemented with 10% FBS)
- Sterile 12-well plate
- RBC Lysis Buffer (Cat. No. 420301)
- Anti-mouse CD3ε, clone 145-2C11 (LEAF™ format, Cat. No. 100314)
- Anti-mouse CD28, clone 37.51, (LEAF™ format, Cat. No. 102112)
- Recombinant mouse IL-2 (carrier-free) (Cat. No. 575402)
- Recombinant human TGF-β1 (carrier-free) (Cat. No. 580702)

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## **Protocol**

#### Isolation of CD4+ Cells From Lymph Nodes

## Step 1.

Harvest lymph nodes (superficial cervical, mandibular, axillary, inquinal, and mesenteric) from mice.

## Isolation of CD4+ Cells From Lymph Nodes

#### Step 2.

Tease lymph nodes through a sterile 70- $\mu$ m nylon cell strainer to obtain single-cell suspensions incomplete RPMI containing 10% FCS (complete medium).

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#### Step 3.

Resuspend cells in complete medium and use your favorite method to isolate CD4+cells. Checkout Biocompare.com to find useful kits.

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#### Step 4.

On day 0, coat 12-well plate with anti-mouse CD3 $\epsilon$ , clone 145-2C11 (3  $\mu$ g/ml).

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#### Step 5.

Incubate at 37°C for 2 hours. (Alternatively, incubate at 4°C overnight.)

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#### Step 6.

Aseptically decant antibody solution from the plate.

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## Step 7.

Wash plate with sterile PBS (wash 1/3).

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#### Step 8.

Wash plate with sterile PBS (wash 2/3).

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## Step 9.

Wash plate with sterile PBS (wash 3/3). Discard liquid.

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## **Step 10.**

Plate CD4+cells at 1.0 x  $10^6$ /1ml/well. Culture cells for 5 days at 37°C, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>, in the presence of antimouse CD28, clone 37.51 (3 µg/mL), recombinant mouse IL-2 (5 ng/mL), and recombinant human TGF- $\beta$ 1 (5 ng/ml).

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## Step 11.

On day 3, if media is yellow, add 2 ml/well of fresh media.

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#### Step 12.

On day 5, after harvesting, the cells are ready for staining.

#### NOTES

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Recombinant human TGF- $\beta$  is effective for stimulating mouse cells.