

CGAP Dead cell removal EasySep kit with The Big Easy Magnet

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Abstract

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Protocol

Step 1.

| Material | Quantity | Supplier Info |
|--------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| PBS | 30ml | GIBCO (14190-144) |
| FBS | 160ul | Sigma (F7524-50ML) |
| CaCl ₂ (1mM) | 1ul | VWR International Ltd (E506-100ML) |
| 15ml Falcon Tubes | 3 | Falcon (352097) |
| Trypan Blue | 20ul | Fisher Scientific (11414815) |
| C-Chips | 1 | Cambridge Bioscience (DHC-N01-50) |
| 0.5ml Eppendorf | 1 | Eppendorf (0030 108.035) |
| EasySep Dead Cell Removal Kit | 1 | StemCell Technologies (17899) |
| EasySep "The Big Easy" (grey) magnet | 1 | StemCell Technologies (18001) |
| Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA) | 1ml | Sigma-Aldrich Co. Ltd (A7906-10G) |

Step 2.

A single-cell suspension should have been prepared previously (e.g. by enzymatic dissociation of a tissue) and cells number and viability assessed using 1:1 trypan blue dilution.^a A viability percentage below 70-80% usually justifies using this Dead Cell Removal protocol.

Step 3.

Prepare 8ml of Recommended medium (PBS (8ml) + 2% FBS (160ul) + 1mM CaCl₂ (1ul)).

Step 4.

Centrifuge samples at 500g for 5 minutes.

Step 5.

Remove supernatant and resuspend in the appropriate volume of recommended medium (0.25 - 8ml) to obtain a suspension with 1×10^8 cells/ml.^a If total number of cells is below 2.5×10^7 , resuspend in the

minimum volume, i.e. 0.25ml.

Step 6.

Transfer cell suspension to a 15ml Falcon.

Step 7.

Add Dead Cell Removal (Annexin V) Cocktail to sample:a. 50uL per ml of sample.

Step 8.

Add Biotin Selection Cocktail to sample:a. 50uL per ml of sample.

Step 9.

Mix (up and down with pipette) and incubate for 3 min at RT.

Step 10.

Vortex RapidSpheres™ for 30 seconds.a. Particles should appear evenly dispersed.

Step 11.

Add RapidSpheres™ to sample and mix:a. 100μL per ml of sample.b. No incubation, IMMEDIATELY move to next step.

Step 12.

Add Recommended medium to top up the sample to the indicated volume:a. Top up to 5ml for samples ≤ 2ml.b. Top up to 10ml for samples > 2ml.

Step 13.

Mix by gently pipetting up and down 2 -3 times.

Step 14.

Place the tube (without lid) into the magnet and incubate for 3 mins at RT.

Step 15.

Pick up the magnet, and in one continuous motion invert the magnet and tube, pouring the enriched cell suspension into a new tube.a. Leave the magnet and tube inverted for 2 - 3 seconds, then return upright. Do not shake or blot off any drops that may remain hanging from the mouth of the tube.

Step 16.

Count cells and viability using 1:1 trypan blue dilution.

Step 17.

Add 5ml PBS with 0.04% BSA (200ul) to wash cells.

Step 18.

Centrifuge at 500g for 5 minutes.

Step 19.

Resuspend in appropriate volume of 0.04% BSA in PBS to run in Chromium.
