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Nuclei isolation from mouse lung for single nucleus RNASeq

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ABSTRACT

This protocol is for **nuclei isolation from mouse lung for single nucleus RNASeq**.

It is adapted directly from Joshi et al., with adjustments to RNase inhibitor concentrations and removal of FACS sorting steps.



Nikita Joshi, Alexander Misharin. Single-nucleus isolation from frozen human lung tissue for single-nucleus RNA-seq.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.17504/protocols.io.zu8f6zw>

THIS PROTOCOL ACCOMPANIES THE FOLLOWING PUBLICATION

Koenitzer, J. R., Wu, H., Atkinson, J. J., Brody, S. L., Humphreys, B. D. (2020). Single nucleus RNASeq profiling of mouse lung: reduced dissociation bias and improved detection of rare cell types compared with single cell RNASeq. bioRxiv. preprint doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2020.03.06.981407>

ATTACHMENTS


[Protocol for nuclei isolation from mouse lung for single nucleus RNASeq.pdf](#)
[step-by-step_Lung nuclear isolation protocol v1.pdf](#)

MATERIALS

NAME ▾	CATALOG # ▾	VENDOR ▾
RNaseZap®	AM9780	Thermo Scientific
cOmplete ULTRA Tablets, Mini, EDTA-free, EASYpack	05 892 791 001	Roche
RNasin Plus Ribonuclease Inhibitors	N2615	Promega
SUPERaseIN RNase Inhibitor	AM2696	Thermo Fisher Scientific
RNase free H2O	AM9938	Thermo Scientific
Albumin, Bovine Serum, 10% Aqueous Solution, Nuclease-Free	126615-25ML	Millipore Sigma
Gibco™ DPBS no calcium no magnesium	14190144	Thermo Fisher Scientific

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Nuclei Isolation Kit: Nuclei EZ Prep	NUC-101	Sigma Aldrich

MATERIALS TEXT

 The *Nuclei Isolation Kit* contains the *Nuclei EZ Lysis Buffer* that is required for the preparation of Lysis Buffer and cOmplete stock (10x).

Storage Conditions

Material	Storage
1x DPBS	4 °C
Nuclei EZ Lysis Buffer (from kit NUC-101)	4 °C
cOmplete ULTRA Tablets, Mini, EDTA-free, EASYpack	4 °C
RNasin Plus Ribonuclease Inhibitors	-20 °C
SUPERaseIN RNase Inhibitor	-20 °C
RNase free H ₂ O	RT
RNaseZap	RT
Bovine serum albumin, 10% solution, nuclease free	-20 °C



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Ambion® RNase-free 50 ml Conical Tubes
Centrifuge Tubes
Ambion® AM12502 [↗](#)



TPP 60 mm Tissue Culture Dishes
Tissue Culture Dish
TPP TP93060 [↗](#)



SAFETY WARNINGS

Please see SDS (Safety Data Sheet) for hazards and safety warnings.





BEFORE STARTING

Prepare Working Solutions





Complete stock (10x)

-  **1 ml Nuclei EZ Prep lysis buffer**
-  **1 tablet cOmplete ULTRA tablets**

Lysis Buffer - 2 ml per < 6 mm³ tissue

-  **200 µl cOmplete stock**
-  **1.775 ml Nuclei EZ Prep lysis buffer**
-  **12.5 µl RNasin Plus**
-  **12.5 µl SUPERaseIN**

Wash Buffer - 4 ml per < 6 mm³ tissue

-  **3.575 ml dPBS**
-  **400 µl 10% BSA**
-  **12.5 µl RNasin Plus**
-  **12.5 µl SUPERaseIN**


Resuspension Buffer – 1 ml

-  **0.977 ml dPBS**
-  **10 µl 10% BSA**
-  **6.25 µl RNasin Plus**
-  **6.25 µl SUPERaseIN**

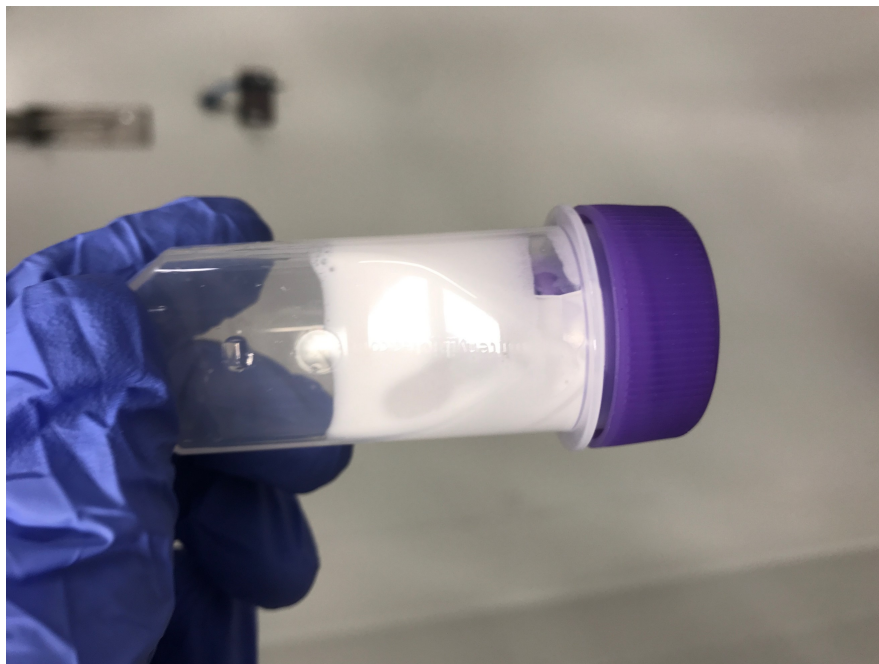
- 1 Pre-cool all instruments (including centrifuges), buffers, and tubes.



Note: All steps are performed  **On ice** or in cold room ( **4 °C**) to minimize RNA degradation.

- 2 Remove mouse lung sample from -80 °C freezer and trim a **~6 mm³ piece**.
- 3 Thaw on small plastic weighing boat until able to insert 26G needle to tissue, then inject ice cold  **1 ml Lysis Buffer** to 'inflate' the tissue. Add the remaining Lysis Buffer and chop to the smallest pieces possible with scissors (60 s).
- 4 Transfer the minced tissue and buffer to a GentleMacs C tube.
- 5 Close, invert, and transfer directly to MACS Tissue dissociator.

- 6 Run *m_lung_01* program and *m_lung_02* program in sequence, stopping the latter after 00:00:20 .

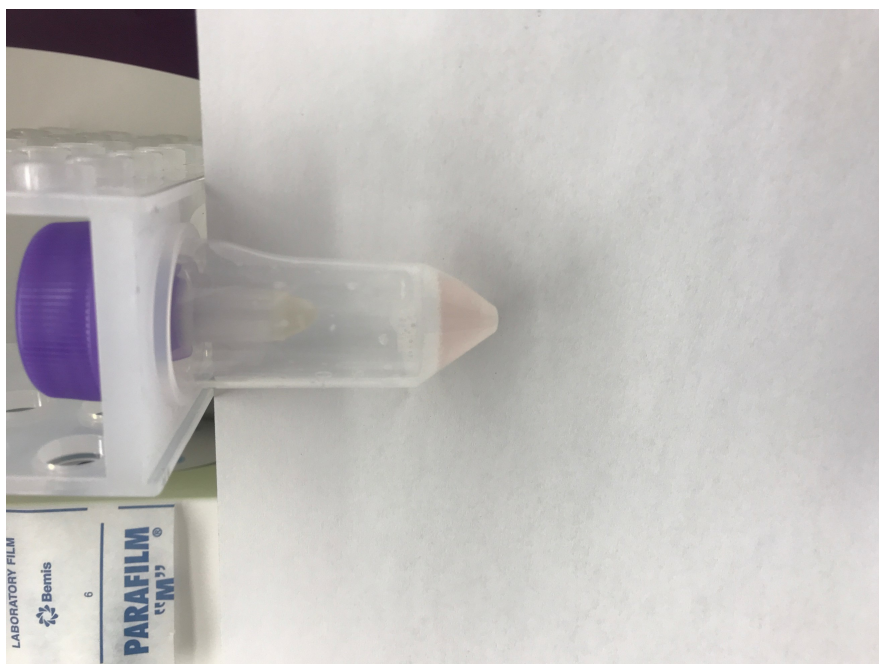


Foam after GentleMacs

- 7 Place tube ⌘ On ice .

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Reduce foam by centrifugation ( **750 x g 00:01:00**).



Foam after centrifugation

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Using a wide bore tip, pipette up and down to recover any pelleted material and pass lysate through 40 μ m filter to 50 ml conical tube.

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Wash strainer with  **4 ml Wash Buffer** .

11 Pass suspension through a 5 μ m strainer into 50 ml conical tube.

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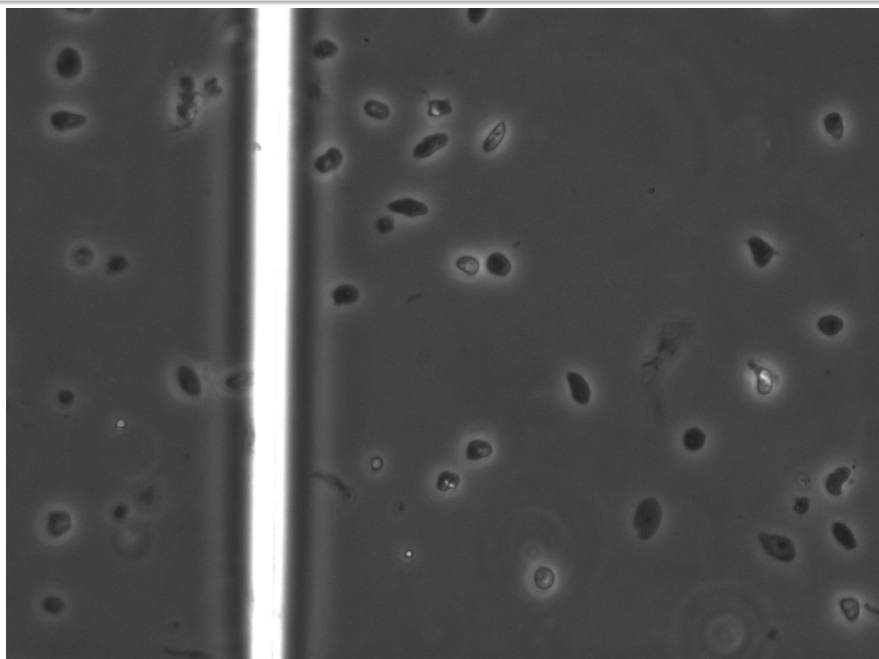
Centrifuge at  **600 x g, 4°C 00:05:00** .

13 Resuspend in  **500 μ l Resuspension Buffer** .

Count nuclei by hemocytometer and dilute to desired concentration (e.g. 10,000 per μl).



Note: it is easier to resuspend in lower volumes and dilute than to concentrate nuclei via further centrifugation.



40x Nuclear suspension with scant debris

15 Proceed to 10x Chromium.



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