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PBMC surface flow staining

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ABSTRACT

This protocol is about Flow staining.

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SAFETY WARNINGS

For hazard information and safety warnings, please refer to the SDS (Safety Data Sheet).

Day 1 - THAWING of PBMC

1h 1m 30s

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Add **10 mL cell culture media** per donor vial being thawed to a labeled 50 ml tube.

2 Add  **20 µl** per 10 ml media of Benzonase to the 50 ml tube.

3 Get as many vials of PBMC as needed.


4 Place the vials in  **37 °C** water bath to thaw – approximately  **00:01:30** .

1m 30s

5 Before cells are completely thawed add them to the prepared 50ml tube.

6 

7m

Centrifuge tube with cells at  **1200 rpm, 00:07:00** .

7 


Pour off media (cells in pellet) and resuspend in  **20 mL cell culture media** .

8 

Take  **20 µl** and count cells (using trypan blue).

9 


7m

Centrifuge tube with cells again at  **1200 rpm, 00:07:00** .<>

10 Pour off media and resuspend according to cell count to a final concentration of 10×10^6 cells per ml with HR5 media.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Donor	Vials	Cells/ml ($\times 10^6$)	Volume (mL)	Total # PBMCs ($\times 10^6$)	Volume to reach 10×10^6	% viability
	1		7			

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Add  **100 µl** cells per well per plate (use 0.5 million instead of 1 million if necessary).

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Aliquot 1											
B												
C	Aliquot 3 unstained											
D												
E												
F												
G												
H												

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2m

Spin plate **1400 rpm, 4°C, 00:02:00** , flick off liquid.

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2m

Add **200 µl cold PBS buffer** , spin at **1400 rpm, 4°C, 00:02:00** , flick off liquid.

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Resuspend cells in **100 µl PBS with 10% FBS** (**4500 µl PBS** , **500 µl FBS**) for blocking.

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10m

Incubate **00:10:00** at **4 °C** (or in the fridge).

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Add **100 µl** per well of stain mastermix (on top of the **10 % FBS** so the total volume in each well becomes **200 µl**).

A	B	C
Antibody	Amount per tube	STAIN Mastermix
CD4 APCeF780	1 µl ebio 47004942	2 µl
CD3 Alexa Fluor 700	2 µl BD 557943	4 µl
CD8 BV650	1µl Biolegend 301042	2 µl
CD19 PECy7	1 µl Tonbo 60-0199-T100	2 µl
CD14 APC	1 µl Tonbo 20-0149-T100	2 µl
CCR7 PerCPCy5.5	BioLegend 3ul 353220	6 µl
CD56 PE	2ul Ebio 8025-0567-025	4 µl
CD25 FITC	2ul (large ab box) BD 555431	4 µl
CD45RA eF450	Ebio 1 µl Ebio 48-0458-42	2 µl
Live/Dead Aqua	Ebio (stored in freezer #11) 0.2ul	0.5 µl
PBS buffer	86µl per sample	172 µl

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30m

Incubate in dark in fridge 🕒 **00:30:00** .

18



2m

Spin plate 🌀 **1400 rpm, 00:02:00** , flick off liquid.

19



Wash 2x with 📏 **100 µl** per well of cold PBS Buffer.

20

Resuspend in 📏 **100 µl PBS** and transfer to FACS tubes.

Compensation controls with Beads

17m

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A	B	C	D	E	F
		Staining controls			
	Host	Conjugation	Bead/cells	μl/test/well	μl buffer/well
Unstained control			Beads		100
CD25	Mouse	FITC	Beads	2 μl/test	100
CD56	Mouse	PE	Beads	2 μl/test	100
CCR7	Mouse	PerCPCy5.5	Beads	2 μl/test	100
CD19		PECy7	Beads	1 μl/test	100
CD45RA		eF450	Beads	1 μl/test	100
CD19 instead of live/dead	Mouse	V500	Beads	1 μl/test	100
CD8	Mouse	BV650	Beads	1 μl/test	100
CD14	Mouse	APC	Beads	1 μl/test	100
CD3	Mouse	AF700	Beads	2 μl/test	100
CD4	Mouse	APCEf780	Beads	1 μl/test	100

22 Add 1 drop beads (**ebio** Ultra comp beads).



2m

Spin down **1400 rpm, 4°C, 00:02:00**.



Add **100 μl PBS buffer and designated antibody**.



15m

Incubate in the dark for **00:15:00** in fridge.



Wash twice with cold PBS buffer.



Resuspend to **100 μl PBS buffer** and add to FACS tubes.