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Abstract

Mechanical dissociation of human spleen tissue to single cells for use in 10X chromium scRNA-Seq preparation.

Troubleshooting

1

Material	Quantity	Supplier Info
100mm Petri Dish	1	Corning (430591)
Cold PBS	30ml	GIBCO (14190-144)
Forceps	2	ThermoFisher UK Ltd (15232290)
Scalpel	1	Swann-Morton Ltd (0507)
DNase I (Stock solution 10mg/ml)	100ul	Sigma (11284932001)
100uM Cell Strainers	2	ThermoFisher UK Ltd (15380801)
50ml Falcon Tubes	2	Falcon (352098)
2.0ml Syringe	2	ThermoFisher UK Ltd. (10673555)
15ml Falcon Tubes	2	Falcon (352097)
Red Cell Lysis Buffer	5ml	Life Technologies Ltd. (00-4333-57)
BSA	400ul	Sigma Aldrich (A7906-10G)
0.5ml Eppendorf	1	Eppendorf (0030 108.035)
Trypan Blue	20ul	Fisher Scientific (11414815)
C-Chips	1	Cambridge Bioscience (DHC-N01-50)

2 Receive spleen punch in hypothermasol FRS (Sigma H4416) solution.

3 **Perform Freezing Human Tissue in Isopentane before beginning Dissociation Protocol, if frozen samples are also to be collected e.g. for bulk RNA / DNA extraction etc.**

4 Place spleen punch onto 100mm Glass Petri Dish.

5 Add 10ml Cold PBS.

6 Slice spleen punch into pieces (less than 10×10×10mm).



- 7 Transfer spleen pieces and PBS into 50ml Falcon Tube.

- 8 Add 100 μ l DNase I dropwise to spleen punch in PBS to a final concentration of 100 μ g/ml (DNase treatment is not essential for spleen dissociation).

- 9 Incubate at room temperature for 5 min.

- 10 Mash spleen through 100 μ M cell strainer above a 50ml Falcon Tube using a 2.0ml syringe plunger, washing through with 10ml Cold PBS.

- 11 Transfer to 15ml Falcon Tube.

- 12 Centrifuge at 500g for 5 min at 4°C.

- 13 Add 1ml Red Cell Lysis buffer to the pellet and resuspend by racking/tapping.

- 14 Place on ice 5 min with periodic agitation.

- 15 Add 9ml Cold PBS.

- 16 Centrifuge at 500g for 5 min at 4°C.

- 17 Resuspend pellet in 5ml Cold PBS with 0.04% BSA.

- 18 Filter through a 100 μ M cell strainer above a 50ml Falcon Tube.

- 19 Wash cell strainer through with 5 ml Cold PBS with 0.04% BSA.

20 Count cells using trypan blue and a C-Chip (manually).

21 Remove dead cells by following "MACS Live Dead Separation".

Protocol

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CGAP MACS Live Dead Separation
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Preview

21.1

Material	Quantity	Supplier Info
15ml Falcon Tubes	3	Falcon (352097)
50ml Falcon Tubes	1	Falcon (352098)
MACS Dead Cell Removal Kit	1	Miltenyi Biotech (130-090-101)
Nuclease Free Water	19ml	Ambion (AM9939)
LS Columns	1	Miltenyi Biotech (130-042-401)
0.5ml DNA LoBind Eppendorf Tubes	1	Eppendorf (0030 108.035)
Trypan Blue	20ul	Fisher Scientific (11414815)
C-Chips	1	Cambridge Bioscience (DHC-N01-50)
PBS	10ml	GIBCO (14190-144)
Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA)	400ul	Sigma-Aldrich Co. Ltd (A7906-10G)

21.2 A single-cell suspension should have been prepared previously and cells number and viability assessed using 1:1 trypan blue dilution.

- A viability percentage below 70-80% usually justifies using this Dead Cell Removal protocol.

21.3 Remove required number of cells and place in a 15ml Falcon Tube.

- Required number of cells/total cells = volume required (ml).



- 21.4 Prepare 20ml 1X Binding Buffer by adding 1ml 20X Binding Buffer Stock to 19ml Nuclease Free Water.
- 21.5 Centrifuge cell suspension for 5min at 300g.
- 21.6 Remove supernatant.
- 21.7 Resuspend cell pellet in 100ul Dead Cell Removal MicroBeads per 10^7 cells.
- 21.8 Mix well and incubate for 15mins at room temperature.
- 21.9 When 5min of incubation remains, place MS column (if $<2 \times 10^8$ cells) or an LS column (if $<2 \times 10^9$ cells) on QuadroMACS Magnetic Cell Separator and run 500 μ l (MS column) or 3ml (LS column) 1X Binding Buffer through the LS column, using a waste 15ml Falcon Tube to catch the effluent.
- 21.10 When incubation is finished, add 1ml (MS column) or 3ml (LS column) 1X Binding Buffer to cells.
- 21.11 Run cell suspension through LS column on QuadroMACS Magnetic Cell Separator, using a 15ml Falcon Tube to catch effluent as the the live cell fraction.
- 21.12 When cells have passed through, run 4 $\times$ 500 μ l (MS column) or 4 $\times$ 3ml (LS column) 1X Binding Buffer through LS column on QuadroMACS Magnetic Cell Separator using the same falcon tube to catch effluent as the the live cell fraction.
- 21.13 Centrifuge cells at 500g for 5 min at 4°C. Resuspend in 0.5-1ml PBS + 0.04% BSA.
- 21.14 Count cells and viability using nucleocounter.
- 21.15 Resuspend in appropriate volume of 0.04% BSA in PBS to run in Chromium.
- 22 Dilute cells to 1×10^6 cell per ml in 0.04% BSA and proceed to 10X preparation for scRNA sequencing.



- 23 Ensure all unused tissue, equipment and tubes that have been in contact with primary tissue are placed into Virkon in sweetie jar for a minimum of 1 hour. After this time aspirate and disposing in relevant sharps or waste routes.