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### **Abstract**

This protocol is to assess immune cell profile inn spleen (Chauhan et al. 2018).

# **Troubleshooting**



- 1 Spleen was removed in a 35 mm petri plate with 5 ml RPMI 1640 and digested mechanically and passed through 70 µm filter screen.
- The cell suspension was centrifuged, and the pellet was incubated in RBC lysis buffer. The resulting cell suspension was washed in 1xPBS and blocked with Fc Block (Biolegend, Cat# 101302,  $1 \mu l/50 \mu l$ ).
- 3 The cells were incubated with MC1R (Invitrogen, Cat# PIPA521911, 1.39 μg) antibody followed by fluorophore conjugated primary antibodies for extracellular markers (Biolegend Cat# 101235, CD11b-BV421(0.25 μg); Cat# 127641, Ly6G-BV-650 (0.25 μg); Cat# 128041, Ly6C-BV785 (0.125 μg); Cat# 100516, CD4-APC (0.25 μg); Cat# 100751, CD8a-BV510 (0.5 μg); Cat# 152405, CD19-PerCP-Cy5.5 (0.25 μg); Cat# 102036, CD25-BV605 (0.3 μg)) and AF488 (Invitrogen, Cat# A11034, 1:200).
- Zombie dye (Biolegend, Cat# 423101, 1µl/sample) was used to differentiate between live and dead cells. Helper T cells and cytotoxic T cells were identified by CD4+ and CD8+, respectively.

  CD4+CD25+ cells were used to mark Tregs. CD19+ cells were used as marker for B cells. Monocytes were identified as CD11b+Ly6G-Ly6C<sup>high</sup> cells and neutrophils were marked by CD11b+Ly6C-Ly6G+. For monocytes and neutrophils, CD11b-positive cells were first extracted from the live cell subset by expansion with SSC-A, followed by Ly6C. After expansion with Ly6C and Ly6G, we excluded Ly6G-positive cells. Monocytes were identified as CD11b+Ly6G-Ly6C high cells, and neutrophils were marked by CD11b+Ly6C-Ly6G+.
- 5 SORP 5 Laser BD Fortessa X-20 (BD Bioscience) and FlowJo v10.7.1 (Becton Dickson & Company) software was used for data acquisition.