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## Flow Cytometry Protocol for LAMP1 Staining V.2

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## Abstract

This protocol outlines a detailed procedure for flow cytometry-based staining of lysosome-associated membrane protein 1 (LAMP1) in human cells.

## Materials

- Trypsin
- 3% Formaldehyde in PBS
- 90% Ice-cold methanol
- 3% BSA in PBS
- LAMP1 antibody (Rabbit anti-human LAMP1, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat. No. 9091S)
- Alexa Fluor-647 secondary antibody
- Wash buffer: PBS + 1% BSA + 0.05% Tween-20
- Flow cytometer
- Centrifuge



## Cell Lifting and Centrifugation

- 1 Lift adherent cells by adding **trypsin** to the culture plate.
- 1.1 Once cells are detached, centrifuge the cells at ~  1000 x g, 00:03:00 to pellet them. 3m

## Cell Fixation

- 2 Resuspend the cell pellet in  1 mL of 3% formaldehyde.
- 2.1 Incubate the cells at 3  37 °C for  00:10:00 to fix cells. 10m
- 2.2 Centrifuge the cells at  1000 x g for  00:03:00 and discard the supernatant. 3m

## Permeabilization

- 3 Resuspend the cell pellet in  1 mL 90% ice-cold methanol while vortexing at low speed to prevent clump formation.
- 3.1 After the incubation, centrifuge the cells at  1000 x g, 4°C, 00:03:00 and discard the supernatant. 3m
- 3.2 Wash cell pellet with  1 mL 1XPBS.  1000 x g, 4°C, 00:03:00 and and discard the supernatant. 3m



## Blocking

- 4 Resuspend the cells in  1 mL of 3% BSA (in PBS).
- 4.1 Incubate at  37 °C for  00:30:00 to block non-specific binding sites. 30m



4.2 Centrifuge the cells at  1000 x g, 00:03:00 and discard the supernatant.

3m

## Primary Antibody Staining

5 Resuspend the cells in 3% BSA in PBS containing a  300  $\mu$ L 1:1000 dilution of Rabbit anti-human LAMP1 antibody (Cat. No. 9091).

5.1 Incubate at  37 °C , for  01:00:00 to  02:00:00 with intermittent low-speed vortexing to keep the cells in suspension.

3h

5.2 Centrifuge the cells at  1000 x g, 00:03:00 and discard the supernatant.

3m

5.3 Resuspend the cells in wash buffer (PBS + 1% BSA + 0.05% Tween-20) and centrifuge at  1000 x g, 00:03:00 and discard the supernatant.

3m

5.4 Repeat the wash step once more to remove excess primary antibody.  
 1000 x g, 00:03:00 and discard the supernatant.

3m

## Secondary Antibody Staining

6 Resuspend the cells in 3% BSA in PBS containing a 1:1000 dilution of Alexa Fluor-647 (or any fluorescently labeled secondary antibody compatible with the flow cytometer).

6.1 Incubate at  37 °C for  00:30:00 to  01:00:00

1h 30m

6.2 Wash the cells twice with wash buffer to remove unbound secondary antibody.  
Centrifuge the cells at  1000 x g, 00:03:00 and discard the supernatant.

3m

## Flow Cytometry

7 Resuspend the cells in an appropriate volume of wash buffer (Usually  500  $\mu$ L for flow cytometry analysis.



- 8 Measure the intensity of LAMP1 expression using a flow cytometer, detecting the Alexa Fluor-647 signal (or equivalent secondary antibody fluorophore).