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## Abstract

This protocol outlines the procedure for the isolation of the Stromal Vascular Fraction (SVF) from mouse brown adipose tissue (BAT) for single cell RNA-seq. This protocol uses a combination of Collagenase I and Dispase II to digest freshly isolated BAT. Compared to using Collagenase I alone, this combination results in a more efficient dissociation of the adipose vasculature.

## Attachments



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## Materials

### MATERIALS

✕ Dead Cell Removal Kit **Miltenyi Biotec Catalog #130-090-101**

✕ Corning® 40µm Cell Strainer **Corning Catalog #431750**

✕ MS Columns **Miltenyi Biotec Catalog #130-042-201**

✕ ACK Lysing Buffer (1X) **Lonza Catalog #10-548E**

✕ RNaseZap™ RNase Decontamination Solution **Thermo Fisher Scientific Catalog #AM9780**

✕ Falcon® 100 µm Cell Strainer **Corning Catalog #352360**

✕ MACS Separator **Miltenyi Biotec**

### Digestion Media:

✕ Collagenase Type 1 **Worthington Biochemical Corporation Catalog #LS004196**

✕ Dispase (5 U/mL) **STEMCELL Technologies Inc. Catalog # 07913**

✕ Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA): Gemini Bio Products BSA V FATTY ACID FREE 100G **Fisher Scientific Catalog #50-753-3073**

✕ HBSS: Corning® Hanks Balanced Salt Solution 1X with calcium and magnesium  
**Corning Catalog #21-020-CM**

### Growth Media:

✕ DMEM, high glucose **Thermo Fisher Catalog #11965118**

✕ Fetal Bovine Serum: Equalfetal® Bovine Serum **Atlas Biologicals**

## Troubleshooting

## Safety warnings


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



















## Before start

Prepare the digestion media containing 1.5 mg/ml Collagenase I, 2.5 U/ml Dispase, and %2 BSA in HBSS buffer.




















Warm to  37 °C .

Prepare growth media by adding FBS (%10) to DMEM. Warm to  37 °C .






- 1 Sacrifice the mouse.
- 2 Spray the animal extensively with 70 % EtOH and RNaseZap™.
- 3 Dissect interscapular brown adipose tissue (BAT). If tissues from multiple animals are being dissected, store them in HBSS until all of them are dissected.
- 4 Mince the tissue to very fine pieces in a 50 ml Falcon tube. Add  10 mL digestion media for each BAT. 
- 5 Place the tubes in a water bath or incubator with a shaker/rotator at  37 °C for  00:45:00 . 
- 6 Remove the tissue from the incubator and vortex for  00:00:10 .
- 7 Centrifuge at  300 x g, 4°C, 00:10:00 in a swinging bucket centrifuge. 
- 8 Aspirate the supernatant carefully not to disturb the pellet of SVF cells.
- 9 Resuspend the pellets in  10 mL growth media .
- 10 Filter through a 100 µm cell strainer into a fresh 50 ml tube. Wash the tube with an additional  10 mL and filter through the cell strainer. 
- 11 Centrifuge at  300 x g, 00:07:00 . 
- 12 Completely remove supernatant and re-suspend the pellet in  2 mL sterile ACK lysis buffer ; place  On ice for  00:05:00 .



- 13 Filter through a 40  $\mu\text{m}$  cell strainer into a fresh 50 ml tube. Wash the tube with  20 mL growth media and filter through the cell strainer. 
- 14 Centrifuge at  300 x g, 00:07:00 . 
- 15 Resuspend the pellet in  1 mL %1.5 BSA in PBS .
- 16 Use  10  $\mu\text{L}$  of the cell suspension for cell counting and viability assessment.
- 17 Centrifuge the cell suspension  300 x g, 00:05:00 . 
- 18 Resuspend the cells in  100  $\mu\text{L}$  dead cell removal bead solution . Incubate the samples for  00:15:00 at  Room temperature . 
- 19 Prepare the binding solution by diluting the 20X solution in sterile ddH<sub>2</sub>O.
- 20 Place the MS columns on the MACS separator. Prepare each column by rinsing it with  0.5 mL 1X binding solution . Let the solution pass through the column.
- 21 Add  900  $\mu\text{L}$  1X binding solution to each sample and apply cell suspension onto the column.
- 22 Collect effluent in a 2 ml low bind tube as live cell fraction.
- 23 Rinse the column with an additional  1 mL 1X binding solution . 
- 24 Use  10  $\mu\text{L}$  sample for cell counting and viability assessment.
- 25 Centrifuge the cell suspension  300 x g, 00:05:00 . 



- 26 Resuspend the cells in  50  $\mu$ L -  100  $\mu$ L %1.5 BSA in PBS .
- 27 Keep the cell suspension  On ice and proceed to 10x Genomics Single Cell Protocol.  
Minimize the time between cell preparation and chip loading.