

# Ki-67 Staining Protocol V.2

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## Materials

### MATERIALS

 Cell Staining Buffer **BioLegend Catalog #420201**



- 1 Prepare 70% Ethanol and chill to -20°C.  
Tip: Do not freeze ethanol for long-term storage.
- 2 Prepare target cells of interest and wash 2X with PBS, centrifuging at 350xg for 5 minutes.
- 3 Discard supernatant and loosen the cell pellet by vortexing.
- 4 Add 3ml cold 70% ethanol drop by drop to the cell pellet while vortexing.
- 5 Continue vortexing for 30 seconds and then incubate at -20°C for 1 hour.
- 6 Wash 3X with BioLegend's Cell Staining Buffer (Cat. No. **420201**) and then resuspend the cells at the concentration of  $0.5-10 \times 10^6/\text{ml}$ .
- 7 Mix 100 $\mu\text{l}$  cell suspension with proper fluorochrome-conjugated Ki-67 antibody and incubate at room temperature in the dark for 30 minutes.
- 8 Wash 2X with BioLegend's Cell Staining Buffer and then resuspend in 0.5ml cell staining buffer for fluorescence activated cell sorting (FACS), or flow cytometric analysis.  
Tip: Based on customer testing, Ki-67 staining is not recommended with our True-Nuclear™ Transcription Factor Buffer Set.