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Abstract

This protocol describes a magnet-assisted immunoprecipitation (MAIP) workflow for the isolation of a TGF- β 1/PD-L1 fusion protein from mammalian cell lysates under native conditions. Dynabeads M-280 Tosylactivated are covalently coupled with either anti-TGF- β 1 or anti-PD-L1 antibodies to enable selective capture of the fusion protein following transient expression in HEK 293 cells. The method includes detailed steps for antibody coupling, protein extraction, immune-magnetic isolation, acidic elution, and neutralization, allowing recovery of intact protein suitable for downstream biochemical analyses such as SDS-PAGE and immunoblotting.



Magnetic beads preparation

2d 17h 9m 40s

1 Prepare the magnet-coated beads. For this protocol, the Dynabeads M-280 Tosylactivated beads are used

2d

1.1 Resuspend the Dynabeads in the vial by vortexing for 00:00:30

30s

1.2 Transfer 300 μ L of the beads to a new, sterile 1.5 mL tube

1.3 Add 1 mL of Buffer B to the tube and vortex for 00:00:30

30s

A	B	C
Reagent	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Amount needed
NaH ₂ PO ₄ × H ₂ O	137.99	2.62 g
Na ₂ HPO ₄ × 2 H ₂ O	177.99	14.42 g
NaOH or HCl	–	pH 7.4
Distilled water (H ₂ O)	18.015	Fill to 1 L

Buffer B composition

1.4 Place the tube in a magnet for 00:01:00 and discard the supernatant. Repeat [go to step #1.3](#) once

1m

1.5 Remove the tube from the magnet and resuspend the washed beads in 300 μ L of Buffer B. Divide the washed beads into two tubes, containing 150 μ L each

2 Couple the antibodies covalently with Dynabeads M-280 Tosylactivated using the recommended protocol from the manufacturer. For this protocol, the anti-TGF- β 1 and



anti-PD-L1 antibodies will be used. However, different antibody reagents can be subjected for coupling

2.1 Place the tubes in a magnet for  00:01:00 and discard the supernatant

1m

2.2 For every  150 μL of Dynabeads as the initial volume, resuspend in 100 μg /150 μL of antibodies (anti-TGF- β 1 or anti-PD-L1) diluted using Buffer B. Mix by vortexing for

30s

 00:00:30

2.3 Add  100 μL Buffer C and mix by vortexing for  00:00:30

	A	B
	Reagent	Amount needed
	$[(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4]$	39.64 g
	Buffer B	100 mL
	NaOH or HCl	pH 7.4

Buffer C composition

2.4 Incubate on a shaker at  37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for  16:00:00

16h

2.5 Place the tube on a magnet for  00:02:00 and remove the supernatant

2m

2.6 Remove the tube from the magnet and add  1 mL Buffer D; incubate at  37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for  01:00:00 on a shaker.

1h

	A	B
	Reagent	Amount needed
	NaCl	0.88 g



A	B
BSA (Bovine Serum Albumin)	0.5% (w/v)
Buffer B	80 mL
NaOH or HCl	pH 7.4

Buffer D composition

2.7 Place the tube on a magnet for  00:02:00 and remove the supernatant.

2m

2.8 Remove the tube from the magnet and add  1 mL Buffer E; vortex for  00:00:10

10s

2.9 Place the tube on a magnet for  00:02:00 and remove the supernatant.

2m

2.10 Repeat steps  [go to step #2.7](#) and  [go to step #2.8](#) once.

2.11 For every  150 μ L of Dynabeads, resuspend and dilute the beads in  200 μ L of Buffer E.

A	B
Reagent	Amount needed
NaCl	0.88 g
BSA (Bovine Serum Albumin)	0.1% (w/v)
Buffer B	80 mL
NaOH or HCl	pH 7.4

Buffer E composition



Protein extraction

2d 0h 11m

3 Following transfection, harvest HEK 293 cells after  48:00:00 of incubation.

2d

3.1 Decant the culture medium and wash the cells twice with sterile PBS.

3.2 Submerge the cells in PBS and incubate at  25 °C for  00:01:00

1m

3.3 Tap the sides of the plate gently to detach the cells and transfer the supernatant.

3.4 Collect the cells by centrifugation at  500 x g, 25°C, 00:05:00

5m

4 For every 1×10^6 cells, resuspend using  500 µL of native protein extraction buffer.

A	B
Reagent	Amount needed
Tris	50 mM
EDTA	1 mM
SDS	0.001% (w/v)
Tween-20	0.01% (w/v)
NaCl	50 mM

Composition of the native protein extraction buffer, pH 7.4

5 Lyse the cells by passing the solution through a 23-G needle syringe 15 times. This should be done gently and on ice.

6 Clarify the lysate by centrifugation at  500 x g, 25°C, 00:05:00 . Transfer the supernatant to a new sterile tube, and store the pellet at  -80 °C for future protein recovery.

5m



- 7 Quantify the protein content of the extract. Any protein quantification method available in the laboratory may be used.

Immuno-magnetic isolation

37m 10s

- 8 Add  10 μg of sample containing the recombinant protein to  50 μL of the antibody-coupled beads. For this protocol, a bifunctional fusion protein that contains the TGF- β 1 and PD-L1 domains are used. Prepare two separate reactions for each antibody-coupled Dynabeads (anti-TGF- β 1 or anti-PD-L1)
- 9 Incubate with tilting and rotation for  00:30:00 30m
- 10 Place the tube on a magnet for  00:02:00 and pipette off the supernatant 2m
- 11 Remove the tube from the magnet and add  1 mL PBS; vortex for  00:00:10 10s
- 12 Place the tube on the magnet for  00:02:00 and remove the supernatant 2m
- 13 Repeat steps  go to step #11 and  go to step #12 twice
- 14 Add  50 μL of 100 mM glycine-HCl ( 3.0) and incubate for  00:01:00 1m
- 15 Place the tube on the magnet for  00:02:00 and collect the supernatant 2m
- 16 Neutralize the collected supernatant by adding  5 μL of 1 M Tris-HCl ( 8.8). At this point, the beads may also be washed with  50 μL of 1 M Tris-HCl for reuse in future isolations.
- 17 Quantify the concentration of the isolated protein and analyze the purity using SDS-PAGE or other methods

