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Measuring lysosomal exocytosis by Flow cytometry

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We are still developing and optimizing this protocol

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Abstract

Protocol for measuring lysosomal exocytosis by flow cytometry.

Materials

Staining buffer: 5% FCS in PBS (filtered)

Blocking buffer: 5% FCS in PBS containing FcR block at 1:100 dilution (Anti-Mouse CD16/CD32; BD Biosciences Cat# 553141, RRID:AB_394656)

Antibody staining solution: Dilute 0.5 ul anti-mouse-LAMP1-AF647 (Rat-anti-mouse-LAMP-1-AF647 (BioLegend Cat# 121610, RRID:AB_571990)) in 25 ul staining buffer per sample.

Viability stain: eg Fixable Viability Dye eFluor-450, # 65-0863-18, eBioscience

Sample preparation

- 1 Seed cells as required and stimulate to induce exocytosis. Prepare $\sim 5 \times 10^5$ cells per sample.
- 2 Detach cells. **Keep all samples on ice from now on.**

Staining

- 3 Pellet cells.
- 4 Resuspend in 75 ul blocking buffer (5% FCS in PBS - optional: containing FcR blocker) and incubate for 10 min on ice.
- 5 Add 25 ul anti-LAMP1-AF647 antibody staining solution containing 0.5 ul antibody and incubate for 30 min on ice. Protect from light.
- 6 Add 300 ul PBS and pellet cells.
- 7 Resuspend cells in 100 ul dead/live staining solution and incubate for 10 min on ice. Protect from light.
- 8 Add 300 ul PBS and pellet cells.
- 9 Resuspend cells in 300 ul 2 % PFA/PBS.

Sample aquisition and analysis

- 10 Acquire 10'000 events per sample.
- 11 After removing doublets, analyse the mean and medium LAMP1 fluorescence intensity in the live cell gate.



Controls

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12 **Dead/live single-colour control**

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To prepare a live/dead single stain control, heat half of the sample at  65 °C for  00:10:00 min. Put back on ice immediately, mix with non-heat treated cells and stain as above.

LAMP1 single-colour control

Remove part of the stimulated samples and omit dead/live stain.