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Neural Rosette Formation and Selection

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GUIDELINES

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This method should be performed using sterile technique.

MATERIALS

Please refer to the attached full manuscript for required materials.

SAFETY WARNINGS

Please refer to the SDS (Safety Data Sheet) for information about hazards, and to obtain advice on safety precautions.

- 1 On Day 5 of neural aggregate formation, remove media (by pipetting) and carefully wash spheres with 100 µL of pre-warmed DMEM/F12. Repeat 2 times.

Note

Do not break apart spheres. Neural spheres are very delicate at this stage. An alternative approach is to remove 50 μL of spent media and wash with 50 μL DMEM/F12. Add 50 μL fresh neural induction media. Transfer 100 μL of spheres and media to the new PLO/laminin-coated well. This approach will transfer more dead cells into the new well.

- 2 Remove the last wash and add 50 μL of neural induction media to each well.
- 3 Aspirate laminin from one well of the pre-coated plate. Using 200 μL sterile tips, carefully pipet up spheres from wells using 100 μL volume and transfer thirty-two spheres per well. Repeat above steps for the remaining wells. Incubate cells in 37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, 5% CO_2 and 95% humidified chamber and distribute evenly by making a “T” motion.
- 4 After 24:00:00, examine attached aggregates. Remove medium and replace with 2mls/well fresh neural induction medium daily.

Note

If some aggregates have not attached, carefully pipet out all medium and replace with 1ml/well fresh neural induction medium. Once 90-100% of aggregates attach, exchange medium daily with 2mls/well neural induction medium.

- 5 Monitor spheres daily under microscope for formation of neural rosette structures. Neural rosettes are ready to harvest when spheres have completely flattened and clusters are clearly visible (3-7 days after plating, line dependent).
- 6 Harvest neural rosettes by aspirating spent medium. Add 1 mL of pre-warmed DMEM/F12 to each well to remove unattached cells (repeat if necessary).
- 7 Add 1 mL of Neural Rosette Selection reagent to each well and incubate for up to 01:00:00 at 37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (check cells at 00:20:00). Cells are typically collected after 30-45 min incubation. Look for rosette structure to be rounding up without the disturbance of other

surrounding cells).

- 8 Carefully remove Neural Rosette Selection reagent with a pipet, being careful not to disturb rosette clusters. Add 1 mL DMEM/F12 to each well, then using a p1000 detach rosette clusters by rinsing over them.
- 9 Transfer rosette material from 1 well into a 15 mL conical tube for cryopreservation of neural rosettes and from 2 wells into a separate 15 mL conical tube for neural progenitor expansion. Do not triturate clusters.

Note

To maintain a pure culture, it is best to leave some rosettes behind rather than collect all of the rosettes and additional cells.

- 10 Centrifuge rosette clusters at 750 rpm for 00:03:00 .