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We use this protocol and it's working

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Materials

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⊠ Corning[™] cellgro[™] Lymphocyte Separation Medium **Fisher Scientific Catalog #**MT25072CV

⊠ Countess™ Cell Counting Chamber Slides **Catalog** #C10314

Troubleshooting

- 1 Fill 4× 50-ml falcons with 15 ml isolation buffer.
- 2 Cut the buffy coat and fill another 50 ml falcon tube.
- 3 Split the 50 ml blood between 4X 50-ml falcons that have the isolation buffer.
- 4 All tubes should have ~30 ml blood/buffer mix at this point.
- 5 Using a 10 ml pipet, gently underlay 14 ml of Corning™ cellgro™ Lymphocyte Separation Medium below the blood.
- 6 Centrifuge at 800 X g for 25 min at RT with soft deceleration.
- 7 In the meantime, get 4 new 50 ml falcons.
- 8 After the centrifuge, use a 10 ml pipet to transfer the cloudy buffy layer to a fresh tube.
- 9 Wait for 1-2 mins for more of the buffy layer to form and transfer that to the fresh tube as well.

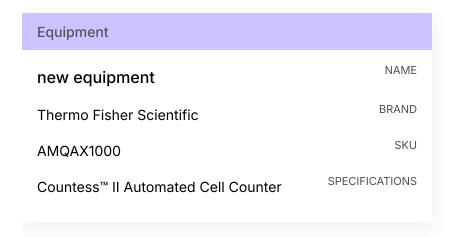


- 10 Add cold isolation buffer to each tube so that the final volume is now 40 ml.
- 11 Mix by gently inverting tubes for a few times and centrifuge at 500 X g for 10 min at 4°C.
- 12 Discard the supernatant (leave ~5ml liquid) into a bleach filled container.
- 13 Combine the pellet from all tubes into one tube and increase the volume to 40 ml by adding isolation buffer.



Count the cells (1:10 dilution)

- 14 Take 10 ul from the sample and mix with 90 ul of PBS (1:10)
- 15 Mix with 10 ul of Trypan Blue with 10 ul of the sample and load 10 ul to the cell counter chamber for counting.



16 Continue with the desired T cell isolation kit or freeze PBMC cells.