

HLDA – CD Maps standard operating protocol

Protocol leukocyte isolation without platelets

(this protocol allows phenotyping blood cells for tube 1 and 2, for tube 4 and 5, mechanically release lymphocytes from thymus or tonsil and start at point 10)

Blood extraction with EDTA

1. Dilute buffy coat 1:5 with sterile PBS (PBS – without Ca and Mg plus 2 mM EDTA).
2. Add 20 mL of 4% dextran solution to 20 mL of the diluted blood in a 50 mL tube. (2 tubes if 40 mL of blood)
3. Mix and let erythrocytes sediment for 30 min.
4. Collect the supernatant carefully (avoid to take erythrocytes) and centrifuge it at 880 rpm for 15 min (no break, 130g).

Lysis step

1. Remove the supernatant.
2. Add 7,5 mL of 0,2% NaCl solution to the pellet for 55 seconds (keep mixing the cells with the hypotonic solution using a 10 mL pipette)
3. Add 17,5 mL of 1,2% NaCl solution and then PBS to get a final volume of 50 mL.
4. Centrifuge at 880 rpm for 15 min (break = 0, 130g)
5. Repeat the lysis step once more since there are still plenty of erythrocytes.
6. Centrifuge at 880 rpm for 15 min (break = 0, 130g)
7. Resuspend cells with PBS + 0.09% NaN₃+0.5% BSA+ 1mM EDTA.
8. Count WBC concentration (make a note into protocol Backbone HLDA table)
9. Centrifuge 8min, 500g, RT, remove the supernatant carefully
10. Resuspend cells with PBS + 0.09% NaN₃+0.5% BSA (final concentration 40 million/mL)

Sample staining (work in 96 well plate)

11. Add Test mAb into each row as per manufacturer recommendation titer (5ul or 10ul)
12. Pipette 40ul of cell ($1,6 \times 10^6$ cells) suspension into V-bottom 96-well plate
13. Where 5ul (or 2.5ul) of test mAb is recommended, add 5ul (or 7.5ul) of PBS+0.09% of NaN₃+0.5% BSA
14. Incubate for 30 min at RT protected from light
15. Prepare reagent mix and add PBS to reach 25ul mix per well (see Backbone table 1 below)
16. Mix reagent mix with pipette and add 25ul of reagent mix into 50ul of cell suspension, mix with pipette.
17. Incubate for 30 min at RT protected from light
18. Add 100 μ l PBS+0.09% of NaN₃+0.5% BSA
19. Centrifuge 8min, 500g, RT, dump to sink
20. Resuspend the cell pellet in 200 μ l PBS+0.09% of NaN₃+0.5% BSA.
21. Centrifuge 8min, 500g, RT, dump to sink
22. Resuspend the cell pellet in 200 μ l PBS+2mmol EDTA.
23. Reconstitute the Quantibrite PE beads with 250ul PBS+0.09% of NaN₃+0.5% of BSA, vortex and add 200ul to the plate
24. Acquire the cells after staining or (if not immediately acquired) store at darkness for max 1 h until measured in the flow cytometer
25. Acquire tube on HTS using setting (table 2 below)
26. Block lid sensor with magnet, pipette up & down 200ul with multichannel pipette each row just before it is acquired by HTS.

Solutions:

All the solutions are made with sterile bidistilled water using sterile material to avoid the presence of endotoxin. The solutions have to be filtered with 0,2 μ m filters.

- 4% dextran solution (in 0.9% NaCl): 0,9g NaCl, 4g dextran in 100 mL bidistilled water.
- 0.2% NaCl solution: 0,2g NaCl in 100 mL bidistilled water.
- 1.2% NaCl solution: 1,2g NaCl in 100 mL bidistilled water.
- PBS without Ca and Mg plus 2 mM EDTA.
- PBS+0.09% of NaN₃+0.5% BSA

Note: Do not decant the tubes. Always use a pipette to discard the supernatants.

Backbone Table 1

Tissue	Target	tube	BV421	BV510	FITC	PE	PerCP-Cy5.5	PE-Cy7	APC	APC-H7						
Blood	Innate cells	1	CD3/19/34/Fixable Violet				CD56	Test Ab	CD14	CD123	CD11c	HLA-DR				
			3G8	B159	M5E2	6H6	B-ly6	L243								
			BioLegend	BD	BD	BioLegend	BD	BD	BD							
per test (ul)			0,50	0,13	0,50	0,50	0,38	1,25	2,50	0,63	1,25	2,50				
total No of tests		96	(ul)	50,4	12,6	50,4	50,4	37,8	126	63	126	252				
tonsil	B-T	2	CD27				CD45RA	CD4	IgD	Test Ab	CD8	IgM	CD19	TCRgd	CD3	CD45
			O323	HI100	MEM-241	IA6-2	MEM-31	MEM-88	LT-19	11F2	UCHT-1	MEM-28				
			BioLegend	BD	Exbio	BioLegend	Exbio	BioLegend	Exbio	BD	Exbio	Exbio	BD	Exbio	Exbio	Exbio
per test (ul)			1,00	0,80	1,90	0,90	0,80	1,90	0,40	0,90	1,10	0,90	1,90	0,80		
total No of tests		96	(ul)	100,8	80,64	191,52	40,32	90,72	110,9	90,72	191,52	80,64				
	B cells	4	CD27				IgM	IgD	Test Ab	CD3	CD19	CD138	CD38			
			O323	MHM-88	IA6-2	SK7	SI25C1	M115	HB7							
			BioLegend	BioLegend	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD		
per test (ul)			1,00	0,75	0,63	2,50	0,75	0,63	2,50	2,50	3,00	3,00	3,00			
total No of tests		96	(ul)	100,8	75,6	63	252	252	302,4	302,4	302,4	302,4				
Thymus	Thymocytes	5	CD13/19/33/16/56/Fixable Violet				CD4	CD44	Test Ab	CD3	CD34	CD1a	CD8			
			OKT4	G44-26	SK7	8G12	HI149	SK1	BD							
			BioLegend	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD	BD		
per test (ul)			0,13	0,13	0,13	0,13	0,13	0,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	2,50	0,70			
total No of tests		96	(ul)	12,6	12,6	12,6	12,6	50,4	252	252	252	252	70,56			

Table 2

HTS setup	
sample flow rate (u	3
sample volume (uL)	150
mixing volume (uL)	100
mixing speed (uL/se	200
number of mixes	2
wash volume (uL)	200

Annotation of samples in Diva:

Annotation field	Keyword	Example				
Well name	CD marker	CD8	CD28	CD14		
Patient ID	panel name	1_DC_mo_Inn	2_B_T	4_B	5_thy	
Label:	reagent name_fluorochrome	CD4_IgD_FITC	CD19_PC7	CD28_PE		
Sample ID	tissue type	BC01 =buffy coat			TON01=tonsil THY01 =thymus	
Specimen name:	panel name_center_tissue type	2_B_T_PRG_BC03				