

Isolation of HSC, MEP, CMP, & GMP from Mouse Bone Marrow

1. Harvest bone marrow cells from 20-25 C57BL6J mouse femurs and tibias (via standard flush protocol) into 11 mL PBS+5%FCS

2. Cell Count:

3. Dilute cells to 50 mL with ACK Lysing Buffer

4. Incubate 20 min on ice with occasional mixing

5. Spin 2100 rpm (850 x g), 5 min @ 4°C

6. Resuspend in 8 mL PBS+5%FCS

7. Add 200** µL of each purified antibody: anti-

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| CD4 | IL-7Ra | Ter119 | Mac-1 |
| CD8 | B220 | Gr-1 | |

8. Incubate 30 min on ice with occasional mixing

---While cells are incubating---

9. Place 7 mL magnetic beads into 8 conical tubes, mix, and apply to magnet, 5 min @ 4°C

10. Wash magnetic beads x2 with 8 mL PBS+5%FCS (add wash, vortex, apply to magnet for 5 min, and remove supernatant); leave final wash on until ready to apply cells

---Following 30 min incubation---

11. Divide cells into 2x 50 mL conicals

12. Add 45 mL PBS+5%FCS

13. Spin 2100 rpm, 5 min @ 4°C

14. Resuspend cells in each tube in 32 mL PBS+5%FCS

15. Add 8 mL cells+Ab suspension to tubes with magnetic beads and mix

16. Incubate 30 min on ice with occasional mixing

17. Mix, apply to magnet for 5 min @ 4°C

18. Remove sup to fresh 15 mL culture tube

19. Mix, apply to magnet for 5 min @ 4°C

20. Collect supernatant into fresh 50 mL conical (Lin-depleted cells)

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21. Spin, 2100 rpm, 5 min @ 4°C
22. Resuspend in 8 mL PBS+5%FCS in 15 mL Falcon tube
23. Apply to slightly stronger magnet while counting
24. Cell Count:
25. Transfer cells to a 15 mL conical containing:
 - 150 µL IgG2ak
 - 150 µL IgG2bk
 - 150 µL IgG1k
26. Incubate for 20 minutes on ice, mixing occasionally
27. Pellet sample by spinning at 2100 rpm, 5 min @ 4°C
28. Set aside 7x 5 mL FACS tubes, each with 125 µL PBS+5%FCS, labeled and containing 3 µL of each of the following:
 - No stain (cells alone)
 - APC anti-cKit
 - PE anti-Sca-1
 - V450 anti CD16/32
 - FITC anti-CD34
 - cKit+Sca-1+CD16/32
 - cKit+Sca-1+CD34
29. Add 2×10^5 cells into each of the 7 control-stain tubes and incubate for 30 minutes on ice
 - _____ µL cells (usually just add 30 µL of cells to each control stain)
30. Resuspend in 8 mL PBS+5% FBS containing 150 µL of each of the following:
 - APC anti-cKit
 - PE anti-Sca-1
 - V450 anti CD16/32
 - FITC anti-CD34
31. Incubate on ice, 30 minutes, mixing occasionally
32. Add 3 mL PBS+5% FBS to each of the control tubes. Pellet by centrifuging at 2100 rpm, 5 min @ 4°C
33. Pour off supernatant and resuspend in 300 µL PBS + 5% FBS for analysis

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34. Pellet sample by centrifuging at 2100 rpm, 5 min @ 4°C

35. Resuspend in 4 mL PBS+5% FBS for analysis

Cell Sorting:

Megakaryocyte/Erythroid Progenitors (MEP):

Lin⁻ cKit⁺ CD34^{Lo} CD16/32⁻

Hematopoietic Stem Cells (HSC):

Lin⁻ cKit⁺ Sca-1⁺

Granulocyte Macrophage Progenitor (GMP):

Lin⁻ cKit⁺ CD34⁺ CD16/32⁺

Common Myeloid Progenitor (CMP):

Lin⁻ cKit⁺ CD16/32⁺ Sca-1⁻ CD34⁻