Dynabeads® Regulatory CD4⁺CD25⁺ T Cell Kit

Catalog no. 11363D

Store at 2°C to 8°C

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Required Materials

- Mixer allowing tilting and rotation of tubes (e.g. HulaMixer® Sample Mixer).
- Isolation Buffer:
  Ca²⁺ and Mg²⁺ free phosphate buffered saline (PBS) supplemented with 0.1% BSA and 2 mM EDTA.
  Note: BSA can be replaced by human serum albumin (HSA) or 2% FBS/FCS.
- RPMI with 1% FBS.
- Optional: Flow cytometry antibodies. We recommend using anti-CD3 clone UCHT-1 from Caltag Medsystems as primary fluorescent antibody for flow staining of cells after isolation. Optional clones: OKT3, HITa3.
- Optional: For viability analysis, SYTOX® Red is recommended.

General Guidelines

- Visit www.lifetechnologies.com/cellisolation and follow our QuickLinks for recommended sample preparation procedures.
- Use a mixer that provides tilting and rotation of the tubes to ensure that beads do not settle in the tube.
- This product should not be used with the MPC™-1 magnet (Cat. no. 12001D).
- Avoid air bubbles (foaming) during pipetting.
- Never use less than the recommended volume of beads.
- Carefully follow the recommended pipetting volumes and incubation times.
- Keep all buffers cold.
- To avoid unspecific labeling of cells during flow staining, we recommend using gammaglobulin prior to staining with primary fluorescent antibody.
- It is important to remove all DETACHaBEAD® reagent from the isolated cells (step 26 in the protocol) to avoid wrong scatter in the flow cytometer.

Protocol

Approximately 3–10% of the CD4⁺ T cell population expresses the CD25 antigen. This protocol describes magnetic labeling and isolation of CD4⁺CD25⁺ regulatory T cells from 1 × 10⁶ MNCs using Dynabeads® Regulatory CD4⁺CD25⁺ T Cell Kit. When working with fewer cells than 1 × 10⁶, use the same volumes as indicated. When working with higher cell numbers, scale up all reagent volumes and total volumes accordingly.

Wash the Beads

See Table 1 and 2 for volume recommendations.

1. Resuspend the beads in the vial (i.e. vortex for >30 sec, or tilt and rotate for 5 min).
2. Transfer the desired volume of beads to a tube.
3. Add the same volume of Isolation Buffer from step 2, or at least 1 mL, and resuspend.
4. Place the tube in a magnet for 1 min and discard the supernatant.
5. Remove the tube from the magnet and resuspend the washed beads in the same volume of Isolation Buffer as the initial volume of beads (step 2).

Prepare Cells

Prepare a MNC suspension according to “General Guidelines”. Resuspend the cells at 2 × 10⁶ cells/mL in Isolation Buffer.

Isolate Untouched CD4⁺ T cells

1. Transfer 500 μL (1 × 10⁶) PBMC in Isolation Buffer to a tube.
3. Mix well and incubate for 20 min at 2°C to 8°C.
4. Wash the cells by adding 4 mL Isolation Buffer. Mix well by tilting the tube several times and centrifuge at 350 × g for 8 min. Discard the supernatant.
5. Resuspend the cells in 2 mL Isolation Buffer.
6. Add 1 mL pre-washed and resuspended Depletion MyOne™ Dynabeads®.
7. Incubate for 15 min at 18°C to 25°C with gentle tilting and rotation.
8. Add 3 mL Isolation Buffer.
9. Resuspend the bead-bound cells thoroughly by pipetting >10 times using a pipette with a narrow tip opening. Avoid foaming.
10. Place the tube in the magnet for 2 min. Transfer the supernatant containing the untouched human CD4⁺ T cells, to a new tube.
11. Optional: To remove residual beads; place the tube in the magnet for 2 min and transfer cells to a new tube.
12. Spin down the cells at 350 × g for 8 min and resuspend the cells in Isolation Buffer to 1.5 × 10⁷ CD4⁺ T cells/mL.

Isolate CD4⁺CD25⁺ Cells

This protocol is based on 1.5 × 10⁷ CD4⁺ T cells/mL, but is directly scalable according to Table 2.

13. Add 200 μL pre-washed and resuspended Dynabeads® CD25 per 1.5 × 10⁷ CD4⁺ cells.
14. Mix well and incubate for 25 min at 2°C to 8°C with rolling and tilting.
15. Place the tube in the magnet for a minimum of 1 min. Carefully remove the supernatant containing the CD4⁺CD25⁺ (effector) cells.
16. Remove the tube from the magnet and carefully resuspend the bead-bound cells in 5 mL Isolation Buffer by gently shaking the tube instead of pipetting the cells.

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17. Place the tube in the magnet for a minimum of 1 min. Remove and discard the supernatant.
18. Wash one more time by carefully resuspending the cells in 5 mL Isolation Buffer and gently shaking the tube.
19. Place the tube in the magnet for a minimum of 1 min. Remove and discard the supernatant.
20. Resuspend the bead-bound cells in 500 μL RPMI with 1% FBS.

**Release of CD4^+CD25^+ Regulatory T cells**

21. Add 80 μL DETACHaBEAD® reagent and incubate for 45 min at room temperature with tilting and rotation.
22. Place the tube in the magnet for a minimum of 1 min. Carefully remove the supernatant containing the CD4^+CD25^+ cells to a new tube.
23. Wash the Dynabeads® CD25 twice in 1 mL RPMI with 1% FBS to obtain the residual cells and collect the supernatant after separation on a magnet.
24. Add 5 mL RPMI with 1% FBS to wash the cells, followed by centrifugation at 350 × g for 8 min. Remove all visible liquid without disturbing the pellet. Repeat step 23.
25. Discard the supernatant and resuspend the cells in a preferred cell culture medium.

The isolated CD4^+CD25^+ cells are pure, viable and bead-free, and ready to be used in any downstream assay.

### Table 1: Recommended volumes for “Isolate Untouched human CD4^+ T cells”

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<td>4*</td>
<td>Wash cells (Isolation Buffer)</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Resuspend cells (Isolation Buffer)</td>
<td>2 mL</td>
<td>10 mL</td>
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<td>6**</td>
<td>Depletion MyOne™ Dynabeads®</td>
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<td>8 *</td>
<td>Increase volume</td>
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### Table 2: Recommended volumes for “Isolate CD4^+CD25^+ cells” and “Release of CD4^+CD25^+ cells”

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* Adjust the Isolation Buffer volumes to fit to the tube you are using. **Transfer the sample to a smaller tube during the release to avoid cell loss on the tube wall.

** When incubating, tilt and rotate the vial so the cells and beads are kept in the bottom of the tube.

Do not perform end-over-end mixing if the volume is small relative to the tube size.

**Description of Materials**

Depletion MyOne™ Dynabeads® contains ~20 mg beads/mL uniform, superparamagnetic polystyrene beads (1 μm diameter) coated with monoclonal, Fc-specific, anti-human IgG. Dynabeads® CD25 contains ~4 × 10^4 beads/mL (~30 mg/mL) uniform, super-paramagnetic polystyrene beads (4.5 μm diameter) coated with monoclonal mouse anti-human CD25. All beads are suspended in PBS pH 7.4, with 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) and 0.02% sodium azide as a preservative. Antibody Mix Human CD4 contains the monoclonal mouse anti-human IgG antibodies CD8, CD14, CD16 (specific for CD16a and CD16b), CD19, CD56, CD36, CDw123, and CD235a (Glycophorin A) supplied in PBS and 0.02% sodium azide.

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