## **Reactive Oxygen Staining – Image-IT**

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# **Supplies:**

I36007 Image-IT LIVE Green ROS Detection Kit (Invitrogen) DMSO

Hanks Balanced Salt Solution w/ Ca and Mg
Labeled microcentrifuge tubes
Labeled flow cytometry tubes.
Paraformaldeyde
PBS

## **Sample Preparation:**

**NOTE:** At time of seeding 4 sets (12 wells) should be just TCPS. One will be unstained, TCPS, LPS and TBHP. The LPS should be added with seeding.

- 1. The unstained samples should be cells that are fixed with no fluorphores added.
- 2. LPS at 1 microM/mL should be introduced to one of the TCPS culture sets. This should be at the time of seeding.
- 3. TBHP should be used as a positive control 60-90 minutes prior to staining.
  - a. Add 1.0 microliter of TBHP (Component C) to 77 microliters of DI water. Mix well.
  - b. Dilute solution from (a) at a concentration of 1:1000 in RMPI with 10% FBS and 1% antibiotic. This produces a 100 microM solution.
  - c. Replace the media of one set of TCPS culture sets with 100 microM TBHP solution.

### **Procedure:**

## **Unstained sample**

- 1. Add 0.25% trypsin to each plate and place in incubator for 5 minutes.
- 2. Stop trypsin with RPMI + 10% FBS. Place in labeled microcentrifuge tube and spin down at 3100 RPM for 10 minutes.
- 3. Resuspend with 3.7% paraformaldeyde.
- 4. Let stand at room temperature for 20 minutes.
- 5. Centrifuge at 3100 RPM for 10 minutes
- 6. Aspirate and resuspend in 400 microliters of PBS
- 7. Place in labeled FACs tube and store in refrigerator

#### **Procedure:**

### **Stained Sample**

- 1. Add 50 microliters of DMSO to one vial of carboxy-H<sub>2</sub>DCFDA (Component A). This yields a stock solution of 10mM. Vortex vial until completely dissolved.
- 2. Add 10mM solution to HBSS to prepare a working solution of 25 microM
  - a. 5.0 microliters of A to 2.0 mL of 37 degree Celsius HBSS
- 3. Wash cells with warm HBSS
- 4. Add staining solution to cells
  - a. 0.25mL per 24-well plate.
- 5. 0.5 per 12-well plate.
- 6. Incubate at 37 degrees Celsius protected from light for 30 minutes.
- 7. Wash cells with HBSS

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- 8. Transfer surfaces to fresh 24-well plate, except TCPS, TBHP, and LPS surfaces.
- 9. Detach cells with 0.25% trypsin. 5 minutes or so in incubator. Shake plates gently if needed. Check under scope for detachment.
- 10. Stop trypsin with RPMI + 10% FBS. Place supernatant in labeled microcentrifuge tube and spin down at 3100 RPM for 10 minutes.
- 11. Aspirate off supernatant and resuspend in 3.7% paraformaldeyde. Let set at room temperature for 20 minutes.
- 12. Centrifuge at 3100 RPM for 10 minutes. Aspirate supernatant and resuspend in 400 microliters of PBS.
- 13. Place in labeled and capped FACS tube and store in refrigerator until time of flow cytometry.