

Technical Note

IgG crosslinking to MagSi-protein A and MagSi-protein G magnetic beads

I. Introduction

This protocol deals with the covalent cross-linking of the IgG to the Protein A and MagSi-protein G coated magnetic beads.

II. Materials/solutions

1. 0.01M Phosphate buffered saline with Tween20 (PBS-Tween 20).
2. PBS-Tween 20 with 150 mM NaCl.
3. MagSi-protein A or MagSi-protein G magnetic beads.
4. Elution buffer: 0.1 M glycine-HCl (pH 2.6).
5. Crosslinking buffer: 0.2 M triethanolamine in PBS (pH 8-9).
6. DMP crosslinking solution: Dimethyl pimelidate dihydrochloride/Cross-linker (DMP) (Sigma, D-8388) (10 mg DMP in 2ml crosslinking buffer).
7. DMP Blocking buffer: 0.1 M ethanolamine in PBS (pH 8-9).
8. Neutralization buffer: 1M TRIS pH 9 (pH set with HCl 37%).
9. IgG (immunoglobulins).
10. Vortex mixer, rotator, microcentrifuge tubes, magnetic separator, pipettes and tips.

III. Protocol

A) IgG binding

1. Vortex and resuspend MagSi-protein A or G beads.
2. Aliquot 100 μ l of MagSi-protein A or G to a microcentrifuge tube (2 ml).
3. Place the tube on the MM-Separator M12+12, collect the beads for 3 minutes and discard the supernatant.

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5. Repeat step 2-3 two times for a total of 3 washes. Resuspend the beads in 90 μ l PBS-Tween 20 with 150mM NaCl.
6. Add 20 μ g IgG in a maximum volume of 50 μ l solution (pH 8-9) and mix by vortexing. Incubate for 30 minutes at RT an mix by vortexing every 5 minutes.
7. Place the tube on the MM-Separator M12+12, collect the beads for 3 minutes and discard the supernatant.
8. Add 300 μ l PBS-Tween20 with 150 mM NaCl and mix by vortexing.
9. Repeat step 6-7 once more with PBS and once with ddH₂O for a total of 3 washes.

B) Crosslinking

1. Place the tube on the MM-Separator M12+12, collect the beads for 3 minutes and discard the supernatant.
2. Pre-rinse the beads with 300 μ l 0.2M triethanolamine pH 8.2 and mix by vortexing.
3. Place the tube on the MM-Separator M12+12, collect the beads for 3 minutes and discard the supernatant.
4. Add 300 μ l DMP crosslinking solution and mix by vortexing. Incubate for 30 min at RT and mix by vortexing every 5 minutes.
5. Place the tube on the MM-Separator M12+12, collect the beads for 3 minutes and discard the supernatant.
6. Repeat steps 4-5 one more time to increase crosslinking efficiency.
7. Add 300 μ l DMP blocking buffer and mix by vortexing.
8. Place the tube on the MM-Separator M12+12, collect the beads for 3 minutes and discard the supernatant.
9. Add 300 μ l DMP blocking buffer and mix by vortexing. Incubate 1h under rotation. Mix every 10 minutes by vortexing.
10. Place the tube on the MM-Separator M12+12, collect the beads for 3 minutes and discard the supernatant.
11. Add 300 μ l PBS and mix by vortexing.
12. Repeat steps 10-11 once more with PBS and once with ddH₂O.
13. Finally store the beads in 100 μ l PBS-Tween 20, 0.1% sodium azide.