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Standard Processing of Normal Bone Marrow Mononuclear Cells (BMMCs)

Parameters:

- Collection Tube 50mL conical containing sodium heparin and RPMI-1640
- Storage Temperature LN2 storage
- Final Product Volume 1.0mL
- Final Product Freezing Media 90% heat inactivated FBS/10% DMSO
- Final Product Vial 1.0mL Matrix cryovial (Thermo Fisher catalog number 3740)
- Cell Count & Viability Performed using a Nexcelom Cellometer with AOPI staining

Procedure:

Normal bone marrow is collected from hip replacement surgeries. Therefore, a filtering step is necessary to remove bone chips and other solid material from the collection tube.

- 1. Filter bone marrow.
- 2. Dilute bone marrow with dPBS + 2% FBS.
- 3. Layer diluted bone marrow into 50mL conical tubes containing Ficoll-Paque™ Plus.
- 4. Spin layered tubes at 400xg for 20 minutes at 20°C.
 - a. Acceleration = 10% of maximum
 - b. Deceleration = 0
- 5. Aseptically pipette and discard plasma layer.
- 6. Aseptically pipette buffy coat layer into a fresh 50mL conical tube.
- 7. Dilute BMMCs with dPBS + 2% FBS.
- 8. Spin cells at 300xg for 10 minutes at 20°C.
 - a. Acceleration = maximum
 - b. Deceleration = maximum

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- 9. Remove supernatant. (If necessary a red blood cell lysis step may be performed.)
- 10. Resuspend pellet with dPBS + 2% FBS and count using the Nexcelom Vision cellometer after AOPI staining.
- 11. Spin cells at 300xg for 10 minutes at 20°C.
 - a. Acceleration = maximum
 - b. Deceleration = maximum
- 12. Remove supernatant.
- 13. Aseptically resuspend in appropriate volume of 90% FBS/10% DMSO to achieve desired cell density per mL.
 **Depending on the starting total cell count of the sample, vials will be aliquoted 5-10 million viable cells per mL pre-freeze. **
- 14. Aseptically pipette 1.0mL of BMMCs into labeled 1.0mL Matrix cryovials.
- 15. Place cryovials into an insulated container and place at -80°C overnight for a controlled freeze down.
- 16. Move cryovials to a liquid nitrogen storage tank for storage until shipment.