

# LUNG ORGANOIDS IMMUNOFLUORESCENCE IN MATRIGEL

## Purpose

The purpose of LNCIB SOP 2.0 is to describe how to perform immunofluorescence on lung organoids.

## Scope

LNCIB SOP 2.0 is intended to cover all resources, personnel and equipment in the lung cancer organoids laboratory.

## Introduction

Molecular characterization of lung organoids can be performed using different techniques. Here the procedure for immunofluorescence analysis of human lung organoids using Anti-Mucin 5ac antibodies and Phalloidin is described. In lung tissue, Mucin 5ac is specifically expressed in mucus secreted goblet cells; fluorescently-labelled phalloidin selectively stain F-actin filaments.

## 1. Reagents



- Paraformaldehyde (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no. 158127)!  
**!CAUTION** Paraformaldehyde contains formaldehyde, which can cause cancer; handle it using appropriate safety gear.
- PBS-1x (Life Technologies, cat. no. 14190-094)
- Glycine (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no.50046)
- Bovine Serum Albumin, BSA (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no.A2153)
- Fetal Bovine Serum, FBS (Euroclone, cat. no. ECSO180L)
- Trizma (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no.T1503)

- Hydrochloric acid, HCl (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no. H1758)
- Sodium Chloride, NaCl (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no.S7653)
- Tween20 (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no.P1379)
- Poly-L-lysine (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no.P4707)
- Triton-X100 (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no.T8787)
- Normal donkey serum (Sigma-Aldrich, cat. no. D9663-10ml)
- DAPI (Sigma, cat. no. D9542)
- Vectashield mounting medium without DAPI (Vector, cat. no. H1000)
- Anti-Mucin 5AC EA primary antibody diluted 1:20 in blocking solution (Thermo Scientific cat.no. MA512178)
- Anti-mouse Alexa fluor 488 diluted 1:500 in blocking solution (Invitrogen cat. no. A32723)
- Phalloidin594 (Life Technologies, cat. no.A12381)
- Cover glasses circles (Life Technologies, cat. no. 12-545-80)
- Syringes filters pes 0,22µm (Euroclone, cat. no. EPSPE2230)

## 2.

### Reagent setup

- Blocking solution :10% FBS; 1% BSA; 0.3% Triton X-100 in 0.01M TrisHCl pH 7.4, 0.15M NaCl, 0.05% Tween 20

## 3.

### Reagent setup

#### Stock solution:

- Prepare stock solution by dissolving 100mg poly-L-lysine in 100ml water. Filter sterilize the solution by passing through a 0.22µm filter. Store at-20°C.

#### Coating Coverslips:

- Working solution: 50 µg/ml (1:20 dilution of stock).
  - Sterilize the coverslips in 95% ethanol and dry before coating.
  - Place the coverslips in a 24 well plate and coat cover glasses with 80µl of poly-L-lysine (50µg/ml dissolved in sterile H<sub>2</sub>O ) for 1 h at 37°C.
  - Rinse coverslips with 1ml of sterile H<sub>2</sub>O (at least three times).

## 4.

### Equipment

- High-speed centrifuge (Eppendorf centrifuge 5810R)
- Pipette aid, serological pipettes (Euroclone, cat. no. EPS05N; EPS10N)
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- Conical centrifuge tubes (Euroclone, cat. no. ET5015B; ET5050B)
- Microscopes slides Superfrost® Plus (Thermo Scientific, cat. no. J1800AMNZ)
- Microcentrifuge tubes (Euroclone, cat. no. ET3415)
- Cover glasses circles (Life Technologies, cat no. 12-545-80)
- Confocal fluorescence microscope

## 5.

### Procedure

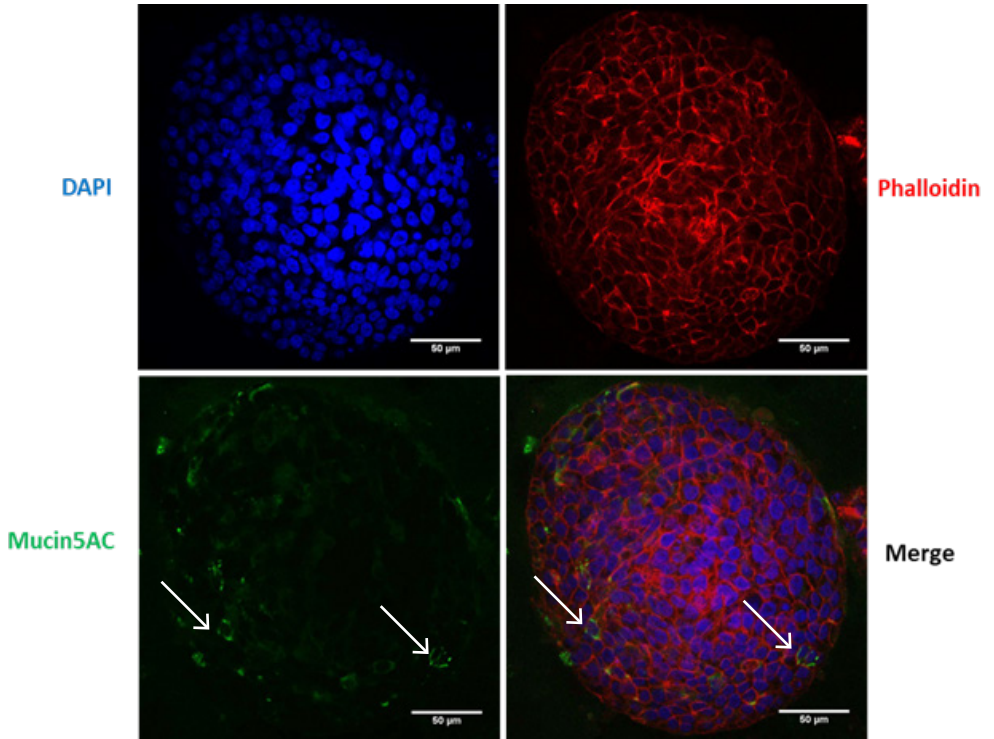
- Grow organoids in matrigel on glass coverslips, for 5-7 days by following procedures described in LNCIB SOP –LCO-1.0.
- Wash organoids with 1 ml of 1x PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
- Aspirate off medium.
- Fix organoids on coverslip with 4% Paraformaldehyde for 20 min at 37°C (500 µl/24-well).
- Wash organoids with 1 ml of 1x PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly). Repeat the procedure 3 times.
- Incubate with 1 ml of 0.1M Glycine for 10 min RT (shaking slowly).
- Wash organoids with 1 ml of 1x PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly). Repeat the procedure 3 times.
- Incubate with 1 ml of 1x PBS, 0,3% Triton X-100 for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
- Wash organoids with 1 ml of 1x PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly). Repeat the procedure 3 times.
- Incubate organoids with 1ml of blocking solution for 1h at RT

(shaking slowly).

- Incubate sample with 200  $\mu$ l of Anti- Mucin 5AC EA primary antibody diluted 1:20 in blocking solution o/n at 4°C.
- Wash organoids with 1 ml of 1x PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly). Repeat the procedure 3 times.
- Incubate sample with 200  $\mu$ l of Anti-mouse secondary antibody diluted 1:500 in blocking solution for 2 hours at RT (shaking slowly).
- Wash organoids with 1 ml of 1x PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly). Repeat the procedure 3 times.
- Incubate with 500  $\mu$ l of DAPI (1 $\mu$ g/ml in H<sub>2</sub>O) for 5 min at RT (shaking slowly).
- Wash organoids with 1 ml of 1x PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly). Repeat the procedure 3 times.
- Mount coverslip in a drop of mounting medium.

Note: if you use Phalloidin, incubate Phalloidin594 (1:500 in blocking buffer) for 20min RT (shaking slowly) after secondary incubation and proceed with washing. (See **figure1**).

**Figure 1.** Immunofluorescence of lung tumor organoids. Blue: DAPI (nuclei), red: Phalloidin (F-actin) and green: Mucin5ac (secretory goblet cells). Arrows indicate the intracellular localization of Mucin5A.



## 6. Applicable references to LNCIB SOPs

LNCIB SOP –LCO-2.0, LNCIB SOP –LCO-3.0

## 7. Applicable references

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