

# INTESTINAL ORGANOIDS IMMUNOFLUORESCENCE ANALYSIS

## Purpose

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

## Scope

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

## 1. Cell culture media, reagents and solutions

Reagent	Catalogue number and company
PBS without Ca <sup>2+</sup> , Mg <sup>2+</sup> (PBS)	#BE17-512F Lonza
Paraformaldehyde (PFA)	#158127 Sigma-Aldrich
Glycine	#50046 Sigma-Aldrich
Fetal Bovin Serum (FBS)	#S1810-500 BioWest
Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA)	#A2153 Sigma-Aldrich
Tween20	#P1379 Sigma-Aldrich
Triton-X100	#T8787Sigma-Aldrich
NaCl	#S7653 Sigma-Aldrich
Trizma	#T1503 Sigma-Aldrich
poly-L-lysine	# # P0899 Sigma Aldrich
Alexa Fluor- 594 Phalloidin	#A12381 Life technologies
DAPI	#D1306 ThermoFisher
Mowiol 4-88	#475904 Calbiochem
Glycerol	#G5516 Sigma Aldrich
1,4-diazabicyclo-[2,2,2]-octane (DABCO)	#D27802 Sigma Aldrich
Sterile H2O	

## 2.

### Equipment

- Pipetaid (SN603280198 Euroclone)
- Dissection tweezers (#11254-20 F.S.T.)
- Confocal microscope (LEICA TCS SP8, Wetzlar, Germany)
- Rocker (PS-M3D Grant-bio)
- Coverslips (#0111530 Paul Marienfeld GmbH & Co.KG)
- Microscope slides (#AA00000112E01 Menzel Gläser)

## 3.

### Plastics

- 24-multiwell TC-Plate (#ET3024 Euroclone)
- Pipettes (#EPS05N, #EPS10N, #EPS25N Euroclone)
- 10 µl, 200 µl and 1000 µl pipette tips (#ECTD50010RN, #ECTD50200RN, #ECTD51000RN Euroclone)
- 15 ml microcentrifuge tubes (#ET3415 Euroclone)
- 50 ml and 15 ml conical tubes (#ET5050B, #ET5015B Euroclone)

## 4.

### Antibodies

Primary antibodies (Ab I):

- Lysozyme Dako A009902-2, working dilution 1:200
- OLFM4 Cell Signaling 14369S, working dilution 1:200
- Ki67 Abcam AB92742, working dilution 1:200
- E-Cadherin BD Bioscience 610404, working dilution 1:50

Secondary antibodies (Ab II):

- goat anti-rabbit 488 #711-546-152 Jackson Immunoresearch, working dilution 1:200
- goat anti-mouse 488 #715-546-150 Jackson Immunoresearch, working dilution 1:200

## 5.

### Solutions

#### **Mowiol mounting medium:**

- Add 2.4 g of Mowiol 4-88 to 6 g of glycerol. Stir to mix. Add 6 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O and leave for several hours at room temperature. Add 12 mL of 0.2 M Tris-Cl (pH 8.5) and heat to 50°C for 10 min with occasional mixing. After the Mowiol dissolves, clarify by centrifugation at 5000g for 15 min. For fluorescence detection, add DABCO to 2.5% to reduce fading. Aliquot in airtight containers and store at -20°C. Stock is stable at room temperature for several weeks after thawing.

#### **PFA solution:**

- 4g of PFA in PBS

#### **Washing Buffer A:**

- 0.01M Tris HCl pH 7.4
- 0.15M NaCl
- 0.05% Tween 20

#### **Permeabilization solution (in PBS):**

- 0,5% Triton X-100

#### **Blocking solution (in Washing Buffer A):**

- 10% FBS
- 1% BSA
- 0.3% Triton X-100

## 6.

### Procedure

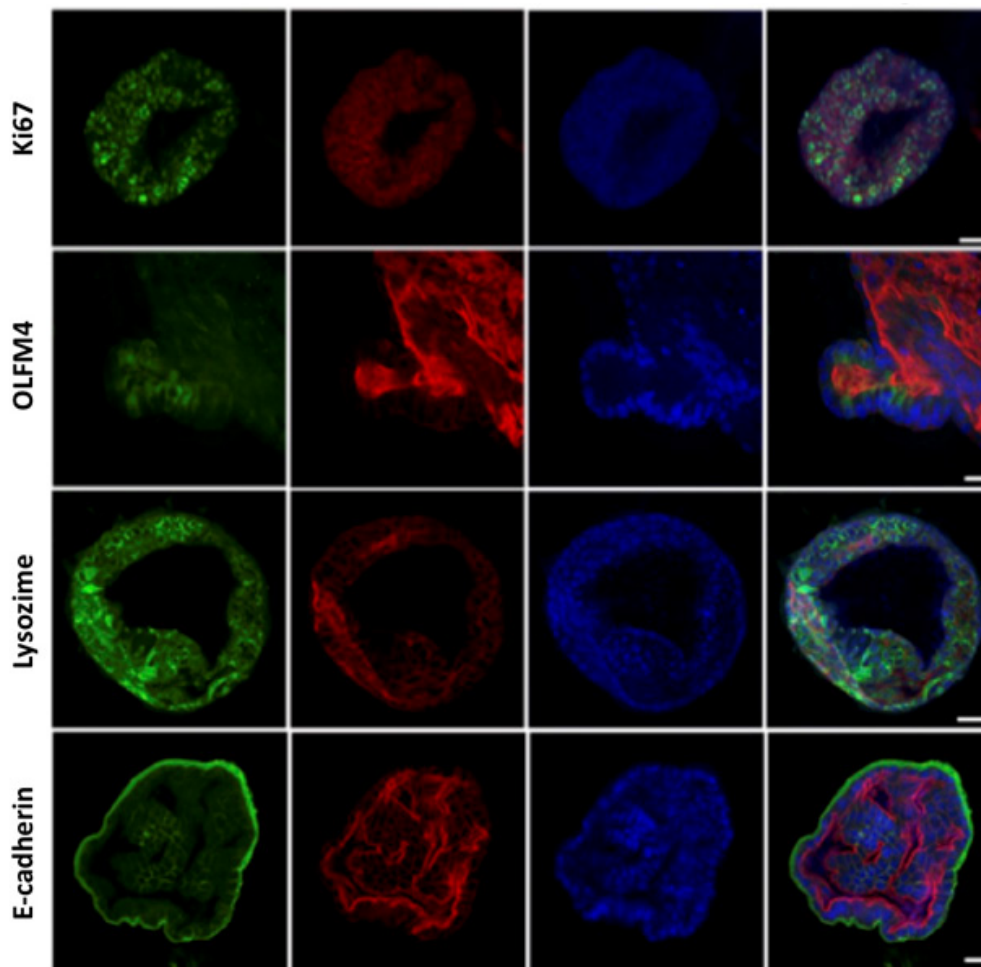
1. Coat coverslips with poly-L-lysine for 1 h at 37°C.
2. Rinse coverslips well with sterile H<sub>2</sub>O (three times).
3. Allow coverslips to dry completely and sterilize them under UV light for 1 h.
4. Grow organoids on glass coverslips.
5. Remove medium. Fix with 4% PFA for 20 min at 37°C (500 µL/24-multiwell).
6. Rinse 3 times with PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
7. Incubate with glycine 0.1M for 10 min RT (shaking slowly).
8. Rinse 3 times with PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
9. Incubate with PBS + Triton X-100 0,5% for 5 min RT (shaking slowly)

10. Rinse 3 times with PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
11. Block with 10% FBS + 1% BSA + 0.3% Triton X-100 in Washing Buffer A (Tris HCl pH 7.4 0.01M + NaCl 0.15M + Tween 20 0.05%) for 1h RT (shaking slowly).
12. Incubate Ab I in blocking solution o/n at 4°C.
13. Rinse 3 times with PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
14. Incubate Ab II in blocking solution for 2 h at RT (shaking slowly).
15. Rinse 3 times with PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
16. Incubate with Phalloidin 594 200 units/mL for 20 min RT (shaking slowly).
17. Rinse 3 times with PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
18. Incubate with DAPI 300 nM for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
19. Rinse 3 times with PBS for 5 min RT (shaking slowly).
20. Rinse with H<sub>2</sub>O.
21. Clean the coverslip with EtOH. Mount coverslip with a drop of Mowiol mounting medium.
22. Seal coverslip with nail polish to prevent drying and movement under microscope.

See Figure 1

## 7. Applicable references

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**Figure 1** Human intestinal organoids maintain the anatomical characteristic of the tissue of origin. Confocal images of normal, undifferentiated intestinal organoids (passage 5, cultured in medium +Wnt3a). Immunofluorescence (IF) was performed with anti-Ki67, anti-OLFM4, anti-Lysozime and anti-E-cadherin antibodies (green). F-actin was marked by Phalloidin594 (red) and nuclei were marked by DAPI (blue). Magnification 25X. Scale bar 25  $\mu$ m (OLFM4 and E-cadherin) and 50  $\mu$ m (Ki67 and Lysozime).