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# Intracellular Fixation/Permeabilization Buffer Kit

Cat. No: E-CK-A109 Size: 50 Assays/100 Assays/500 Assays

Cat.	Products	50 Assays	100 Assays	500 Assays	Storage
E-CK-A109A	Fixation Buffer	10 mL	20 mL	50 mL×2	2~8°C
E-CK-A109B	Permeabilization Buffer (5×)	15 mL	30 mL	50 mL×3	2~8°C
Manual		One Copy			

# **Storage**

Store at 2~8°C for one year in the dark.

## Introduction

Elabscience<sup>®</sup> Intracellular Fixation/Permeabilization Buffer Kit has been formulated and optimized for staining intracellular antigens such as cytokines and chemokines.

### **Instructions**

Dilute Permeabilization Buffer (5×) [E-CK-A109B] with deionized water to 1×Permeabilization Working Solution before use.

For example, take 1 mL Permeabilization Buffer (5×) [E-CK-A109B] to 4 mL deionized water and mix fully to prepare 1× Permeabilization Working Solution.

Note: It is recommended that 1×Permeabilization Working Solution be used up within 3 days.

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# **Experimental Procedure**

- 1. Take  $1 \times 10^6$  cells in 100  $\mu$ L suspension into the tube per sample.
- 2. [Optional] Stain cells with a Fixable Viability Dye (self-prepared).
- 3. [Optional] Block Fc receptors in cell suspensions according to experimental requirements.
- 4. Stain cell surface markers as need.
- 5. After incubating with the cell surface marker, add 2 mL of PBS (with 1% BSA, self-prepared) or Cell Staining Buffer [E-CK-A107], centrifuge at 300×g for 5 min, discard the supernatant.
- 6. Resuspend the cells with 200 μL of PBS (with 1% BSA, self-prepared) or Cell Staining Buffer [E-CK-A107]. Then add 200μL of Fixation Buffer, incubate the cells at room temperature for 30~60 min in the dark (please extend the incubation time to 60 min when the room temperature is lower than 25°C).
- 7. Add 1 mL of 1×Permeabilization Working Solution to each tube and mix fully, centrifuge at 600×g for 5 min and discard the supernatant.
- Resuspend the cells with 100 μL of 1×Permeabilization Working Solution. Add the appropriate volume of intracellular antibody or corresponding isotype control and incubate at least 30 min at room temperature in the dark.
- 9. Add 2 mL of PBS (with 1% BSA) or Cell Staining Buffer [E-CK-A107] to each tube and centrifuge at 600×g for 5 min, discard the supernatant.
- 10. Resuspend the cells with appropriate PBS (with 1% BSA) or Cell Staining Buffer [E-CK-A107], then analyze the samples by flow cytometry.

### **Cautions**

- 1. This kit is for research use only.
- 2. Permeabilization Buffer  $(5\times)$  may precipitate, and it will not affect the use effect.
- 3. For samples with red blood cells, please lyse red blood cells first.
- 4. The fixation and permeabilization steps may alter the light scatter properties of cells and may increase non-specific background staining. The addition of BSA or fetal calf serum (FBS) in the staining buffer help to reduce non-specific background. It is recommended to use Fixable Viability Dye to eliminate the interference of dead cells in the data analysis process.
- 5. This product is compatible with most commercially available flow antibodies, but some antigenic determinants are sensitive to fixatives and the fixation time needs to be optimized for the situation.
- 6. For your safety and health, please wear the lab coat and disposable gloves before the experiments.
- 7. For conventional fixation of cells after cell surface antibody staining, the fixation conditions should follow the instructions in Section 6 of the aforementioned operating guidelines. Under special circumstances, such as when cell surface markers are fixation-resistant and delayed detection is required, the ratio of cell suspension to fixative may be adjusted to 3:1, after thorough mixing, fixation should be performed overnight at 4°C, followed by subsequent procedures.

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