

# HIP-C Protocol whole blood

## Version 3.3

- Added CD8a BV605 in the DC/mono/NK Panel

## Equipment

12x75mm tubes  
Pipettes 10-1000 µl  
Sterile tips  
Vortex  
Pipetboy  
25ml disposable pipettes  
Flow cytometer with 405nm; 488nm; 640nm, 561nm

## Reagents

Conjugated Antibodies  
Phosphate buffered saline (PBS)  
10x BD FACS Lysing Solution Cat#349202  
FACS-buffer: 12,5x Stock: 10g NaN<sub>3</sub>, 100ml 0,5M EDTA; 3,36g NaHCO<sub>3</sub>; 200ml H<sub>2</sub>O; 100ml FCS; 500ml 20xPBS  
BD Comp Beads Anti Mouse Ig Cat#51-90-9001229 / Cat#51-90-9001291  
BD Multitest 6-Color TBNK Reagent incl. Trucount Tubes Cat#644611

## Preparations

Dilute 10x BD FACS Lysing Solution 1:10 with H<sub>2</sub>O  
Dilute 12,5x FACS-buffer Stock 1:12,5 with H<sub>2</sub>O  
Prepare the antibody cocktails (see AK list FITMaN)

# Staining Protocol

## **For the Compensation-control**

- 1) Label 15 12x75mm tube with:
  - a) unstained
  - b) FITC (only needed in the B-cell Panel and DC/mono/NK Panel)
  - c) AF488 (only needed in the T-Cell Panel)
  - d) PE
  - e) PerCP-Cy5.5
  - f) PE-Cy7
  - g) APC
  - h) AF647 (only needed in the Treg Panel)
  - i) APC-H7
  - j) AF700
  - k) V450
  - l) V500
  - m) BV605
  - n) BV421 (only needed in the B-Cell Panel)
  - o) BV605 (only needed in the T-cell Panel and DC/mono/NK Panel)
- 2) Place one drop BD CompBeads Negative Control in tube a)
- 3) Place one drop BD CompBeads Anti-Mouse Ig in each other tubes b) – o)
- 4) Add associated  $\mu$ l Antibody to each tube  
Example:

5 $\mu$ l SLAN FITC	in tube b) labeled FITC
1,25 $\mu$ l CD183 AF488	in tube c) labeled AF488
5 $\mu$ l CD25 PE	in tube d) labeled PE

and so on...
- 5) Mix gently
- 6) Incubate 20 minutes in the dark at RT
- 7) Centrifuge for 5 minutes at 400g
- 8) Remove the supernatant by pour off
- 9) Resuspend in 100-300 $\mu$ l FACS-buffer
- 10) Ready for analysing

### **For each panel**

- 1) Place 100µl of gently mixed whole blood into appropriately labeled 12x75mm tube.
- 2) Add required amount PBS (see AK list FITMaN) to the appropriate tubes and mix gently
- 3) Add required amount of the antibody cocktail (see AK list FITMaN) to the appropriate tubes and mix gently.
- 4) Incubate 30 minutes in the dark at RT
- 5) Ery-lysing: Add 2ml 1x FACS BD Lysing Solution and mix immediately on a vortex device for 5seconds
- 6) Incubate 10 minutes in the dark at RT
- 7) Centrifuge for 5 minutes at 400g
- 8) Remove the supernatant by pour off
- 9) Wash the samples by resuspending in 2 ml FACS-buffer
- 10)Centrifuge for 5 minutes at 400g
- 11)Remove the supernatant by pour off
- 12)Resuspend in 100-300µl FACS-buffer
- 13)Ready for analysing

# Instrument settings (to make sure that we all have the same)

We use a Fortessa with a 5 Laser configuration.

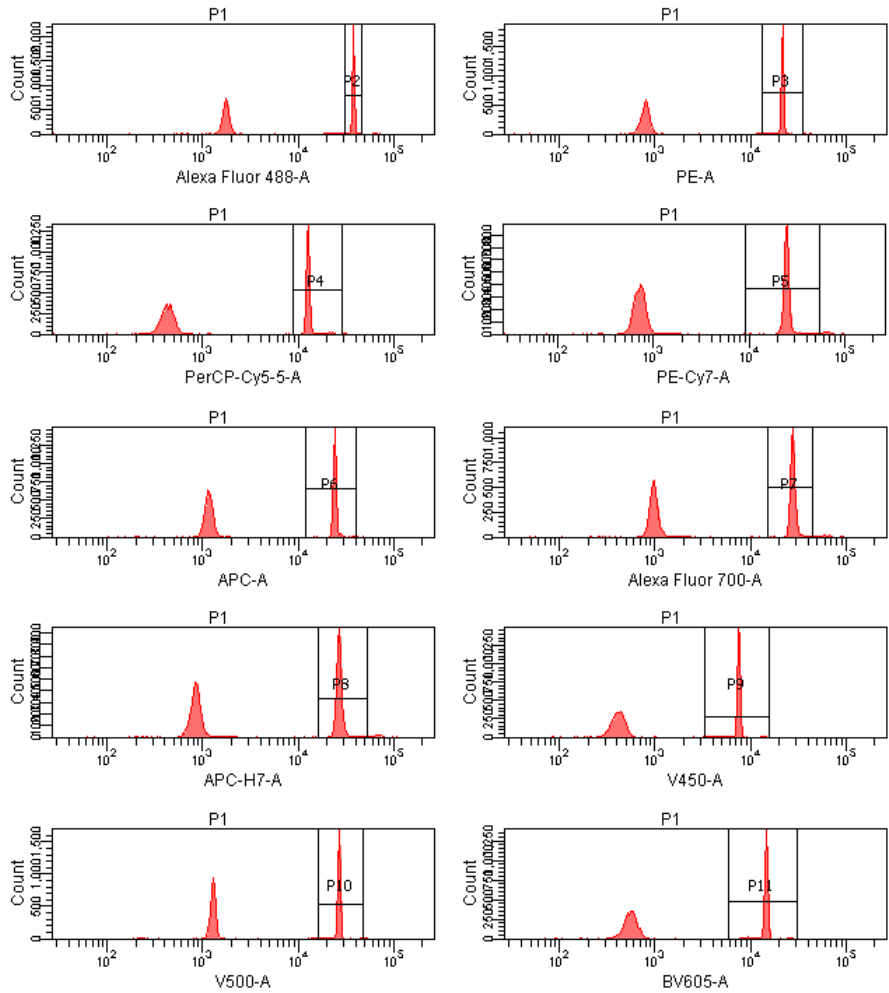
325nm, 405nm, 488nm, 640nm and 561nm FACS Diva Software 6.1.1 with CST Module. For the FITMaN Panels we don't need the 325nm UV Laser.

1. Start the Cytometer, and make the usual daily performance check with CST Beads.
2. Mix in one 12x75mm FACS Tube one drop CST-Beads, and 300 µl FACS Flow
3. Create a new Experiment and a new Specimen
4. Delete all Parameters in the Cytometer instrument settings you don't need.
5. In the Cytometer instrument settings switch FSC-A, FSC-H, FSC-W, and SSC-A, SSC-H, SSC-W on. We will use these parameters for the doublet discrimination.

Parameter	Voltage	Log	A	H	W
FSC	478	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SSC	264	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Alexa Fluor 488	544	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PerCP-Cy5-5	539	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PE	519	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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APC	529	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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APC-H7	496	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
V450	399	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
V500	463	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BV605	578	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. On a Global Worksheet create one Dot Plot with FSC-A vs. SSC-A and 10 Histogram-Plots with each color. AF488, PE, PerCP-Cy5.5, PE-Cy7, APC, APC-H7, AF700, V450, V500 and BV605
7. Generate a gate around the singlet beads, and gates around the brightest population each histogram.
8. Create statistic view to see the Means of all Parameters.

Population	Alexa Flu... Mean	PerCP-Cy... Mean	PE-A Mean	PE-Cy7-A Mean	APC-A Mean	Alexa Flu... Mean	APC-H7-A Mean	V450-A Mean	V500-A Mean	BV605-A Mean
P2	38,126	12,731	21,716	25,213	24,410	28,218	27,429	7,566	27,259	14,810
P3	37,782	12,943	21,546	26,173	24,623	29,048	28,405	7,491	27,020	14,695
P4	37,766	13,006	21,537	26,395	24,570	29,255	28,637	7,485	27,005	14,690
P5	38,149	12,770	21,735	25,357	24,457	28,349	27,577	7,571	27,279	14,822
P6	37,732	12,997	21,523	26,373	24,553	29,231	28,612	7,480	26,987	14,680
P7	38,208	12,723	21,762	25,135	24,421	28,160	27,355	7,583	27,320	14,842
P8	38,170	12,751	21,744	25,269	24,446	28,275	27,488	7,576	27,296	14,830
P9	37,766	13,007	21,544	26,399	24,574	29,259	28,642	7,488	27,013	14,694
P10	37,884	12,898	21,599	25,971	24,509	28,870	28,198	7,513	27,093	14,730
P11	37,757	13,013	21,539	26,422	24,576	29,279	28,666	7,485	27,006	14,691



9. Adjust the PMT-Voltages to get the following Geo Means + - 1000:  
Without any COMPENSATION!!!

AF488	38000
PE	22000
PerCP-Cy5.5	13000
Pe-Cy7	25000
APC	24000
APC-H7	26000
AF700	28000
V450	7000
V500	27000
BV605	15000

10. Create 4 new Experiments

- a. T-Cell Panel
- b. Treg Panel
- c. B-Cell Panel
- d. DC/Mono/NK Panel

11. Create in each Experiment a new Specimen

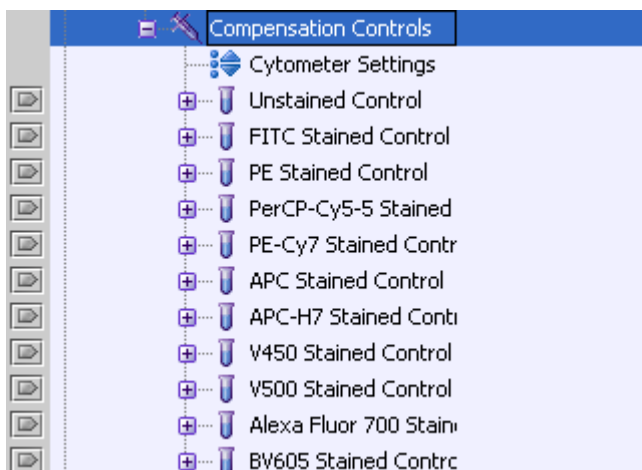
12. Delete in each Experiment all Parameters in the Cytometer instrument settings.

13. Add associated Parameters for each Experiment

14. For the T-Cell Panel AF488, PerCP-Cy5.5, PE and so on  
for the Treg Panel PerCP-Cy5.5, PE, PE-Cy7 and so on  
for the B-Cell Panel FITC, PerCP-Cy5.5, PE, PE-Cy7 and so on  
for the DC/Mono/NK Panel FITC, PerCP-Cy5.5, PE and so on

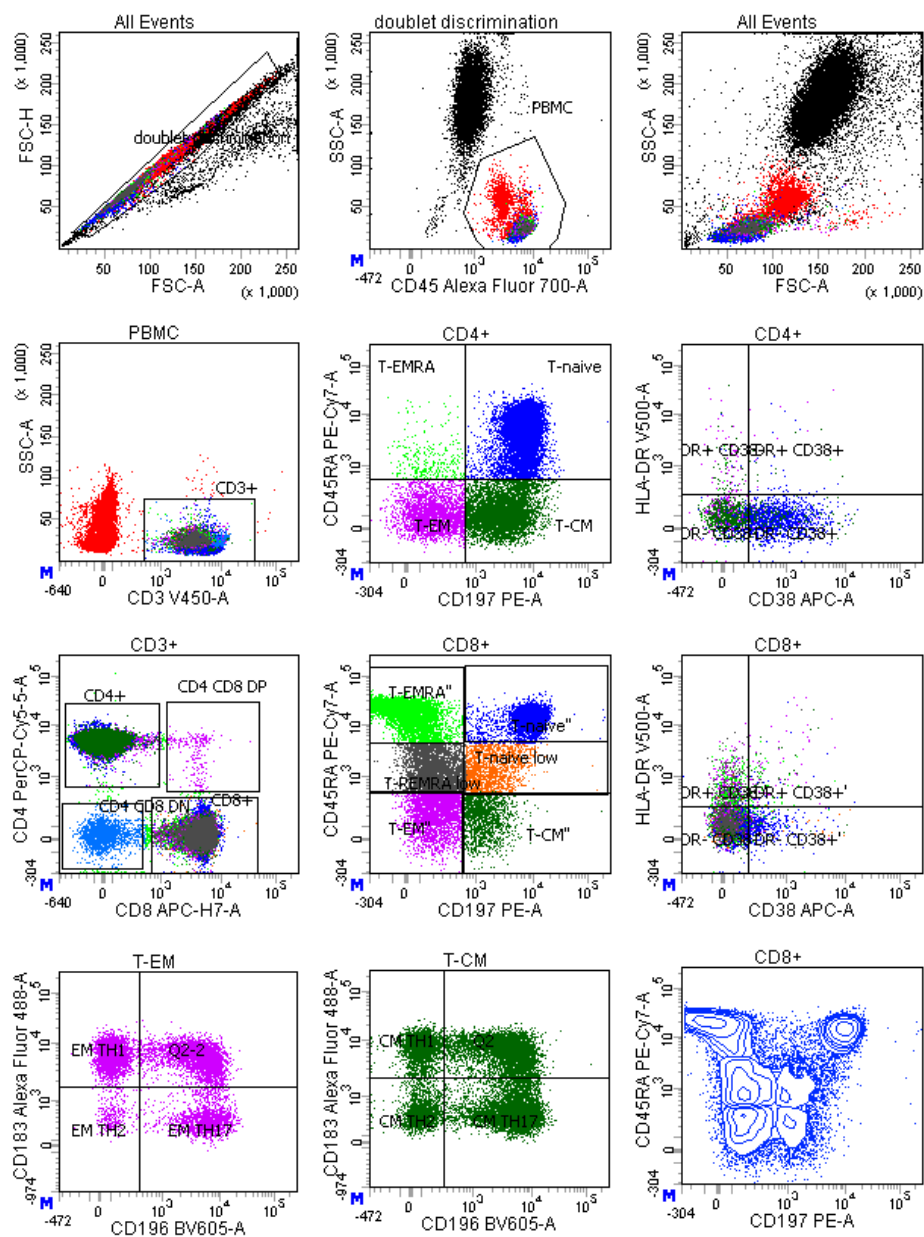
15. Create in each Experiment a compensation Control  
Experiment => Compensation Setup => Create compensation control

16. Measure the associated Compensation control Tubes in each  
Compensation control Specimen



17. Adjust the Gates in each histogram (normal worksheet) if it will not be automatically done
18. Calculate Compensation  
 Experiment => Compensation Setup => Calculate compensation and  
 "link and save" the settings to your Experiment
19. If compensation is fine, save the experiment "application settings" by  
 right-clicking on cytometer settings. These application settings can be re-  
 called in the next experiments, or duplicate the latest  
 experiments/specimens
20. Create a new global worksheet in each experiment and a gating strategy  
 like this

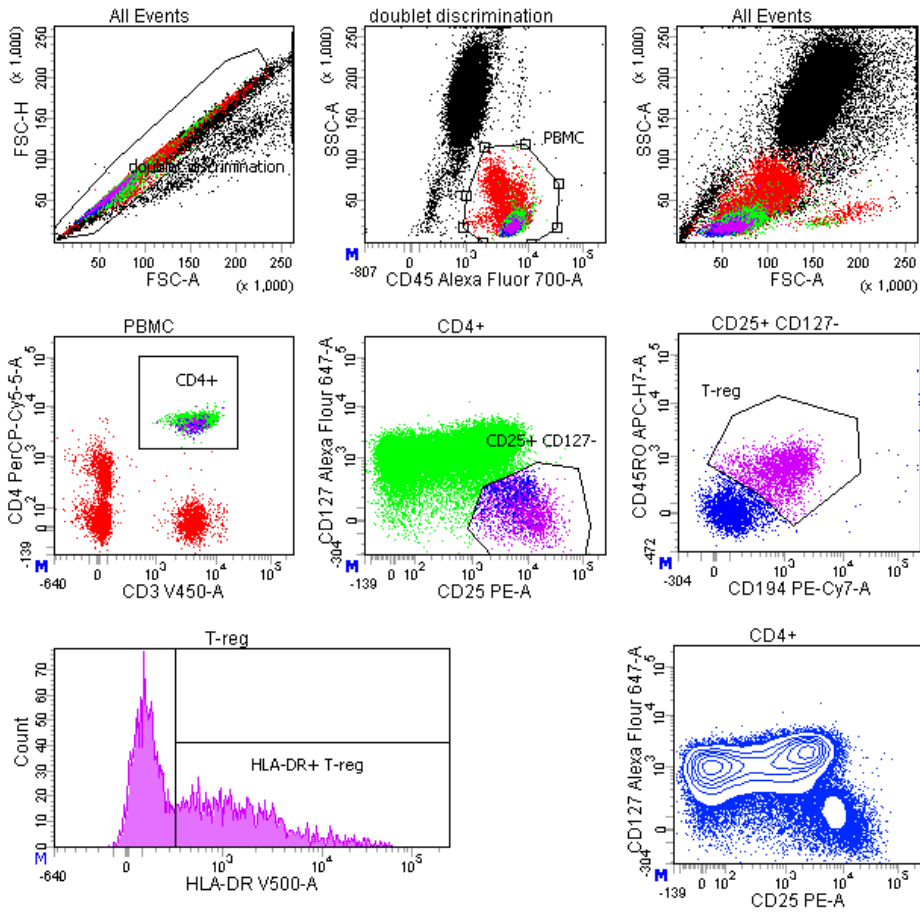
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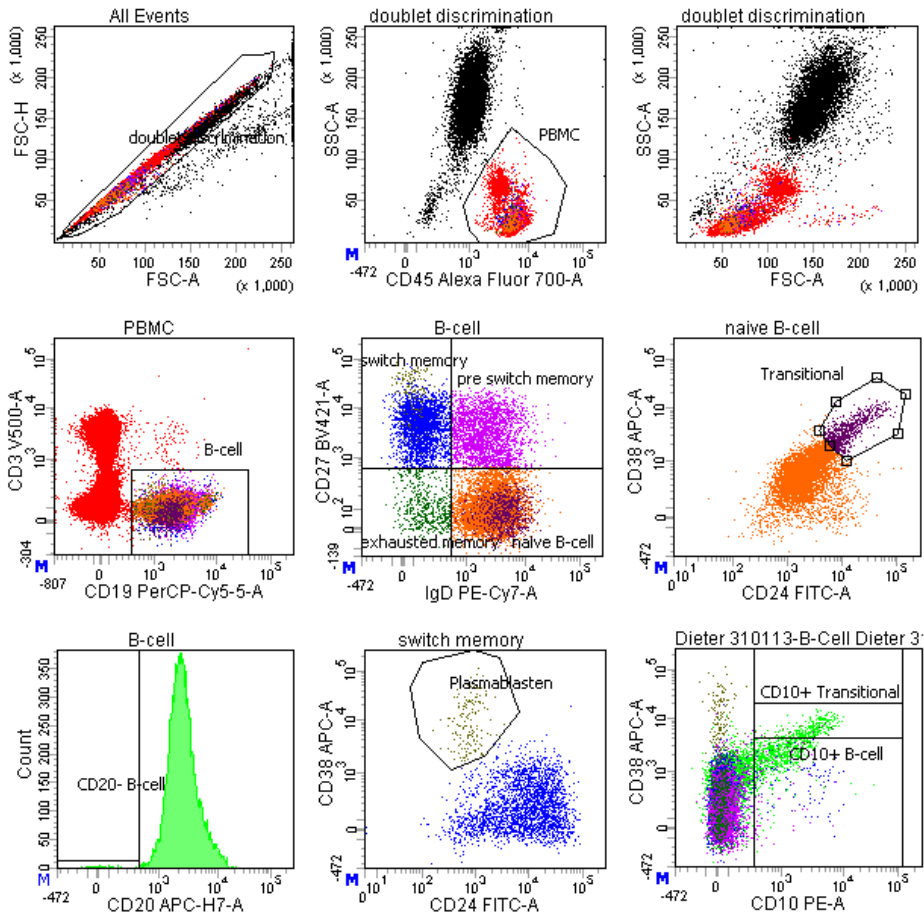
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All Events	278,782	###	100.0
doublet discrimination	269,364	96.6	96.6
PBMC	139,113	51.6	49.9
CD3+	78,944	56.7	28.3
CD4+	56,153	71.1	20.1
T-EMRA	896	1.6	0.3
T-naive	32,577	58.0	11.7
T-EM	7,240	12.9	2.6
EM TH1	2,185	30.2	0.8
Q2-2	3,321	45.9	1.2
EM TH2	291	4.0	0.1
EM TH17	1,443	19.9	0.5
T-CM	15,440	27.5	5.5
CM TH1	2,600	16.8	0.9
Q2	4,862	31.5	1.7
CM TH2	1,860	12.0	0.7
CM TH17	6,118	39.6	2.2
DR+ CD38-	2,202	3.9	0.8
DR+ CD38+	978	1.7	0.4
DR- CD38-	23,906	42.6	8.6
DR- CD38+	29,067	51.8	10.4
CD8+	20,564	26.0	7.4
DR+ CD38-'	3,872	18.8	1.4
DR+ CD38+'	842	4.1	0.3
DR- CD38-'	13,523	65.8	4.9
DR- CD38+'	2,327	11.3	0.8
T-naive low	1,780	8.7	0.6
T-EMRA"	5,424	26.4	1.9
T-naive"	5,911	28.7	2.1
T-EM"	2,804	13.6	1.0
T-CM"	1,475	7.2	0.5
T-REMRA low	3,399	16.5	1.2
CD4 CD8 DP	218	0.3	0.1
CD4 CD8 DN	1,809	2.3	0.6

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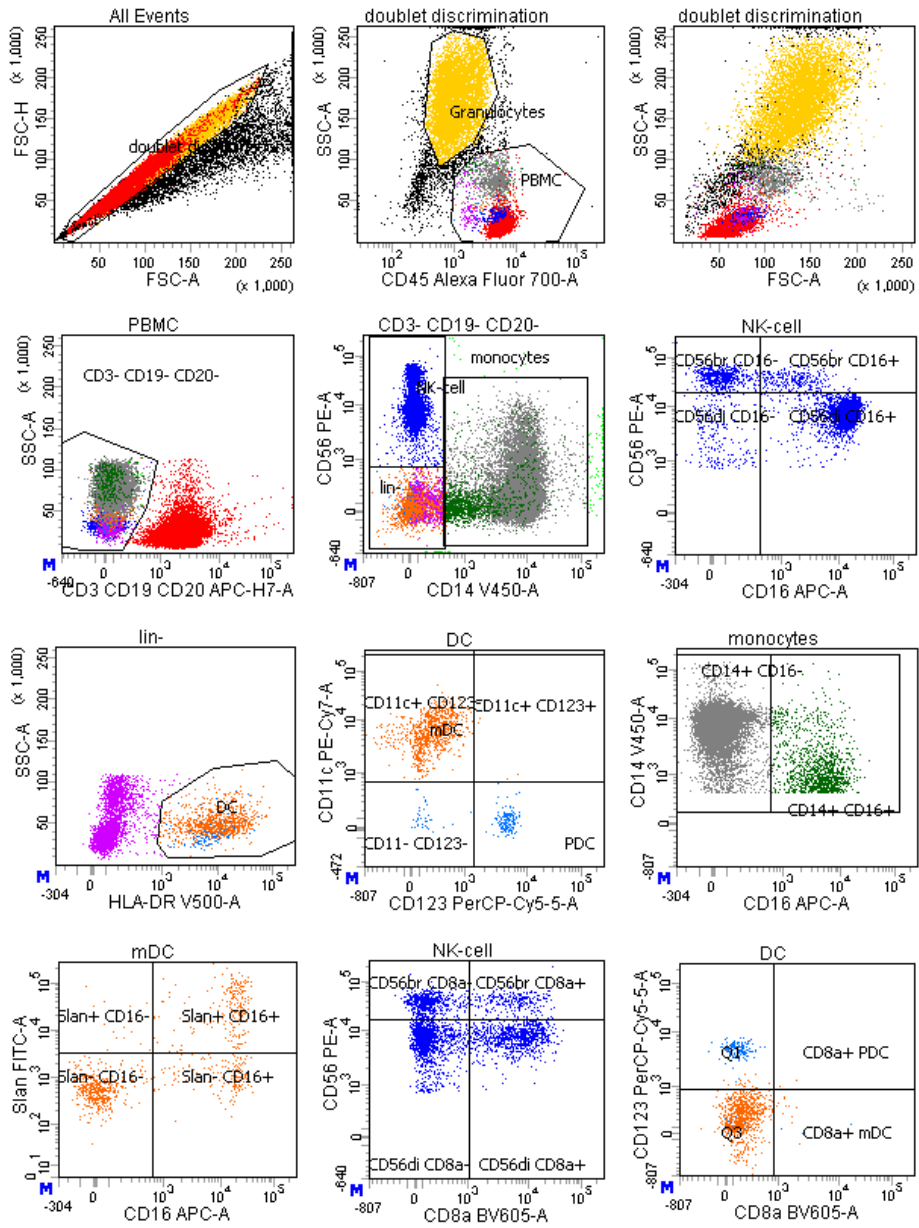


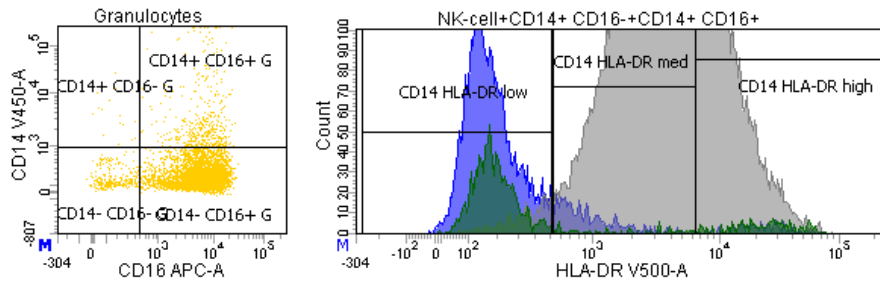


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All Events	296,358	###	100.0
doublet discrimination	288,069	97.2	97.2
PBMC	147,936	51.4	49.9
CD4+	58,516	39.6	19.7
CD25+ CD127-	5,159	8.8	1.7
T-reg	2,561	49.6	0.9
HLA-DR+ T-reg	1,331	52.0	0.4



Population	#Events	%Parent	%Total
All Events	275,587	###	100.0
doublet discrimination	268,496	97.4	97.4
PBMC	135,496	50.5	49.2
B-cell	12,655	9.3	4.6
CD20- B-cell	173	1.4	0.1
switch memory	2,747	21.7	1.0
Plasmablasten	162	5.9	0.1
pre switch memory	2,416	19.1	0.9
exhausted memory	553	4.4	0.2
naive B-cell	6,939	54.8	2.5
Transitional	714	10.3	0.3
CD10+ Trans	614	86.0	0.2





Population	#Events	%Parent	%Total	Population	#Events
All Events	300,000	###	100.0	NK-cell	3,139
doublet discrimination	275,560	91.9	91.9	CD56br CD16-	560
PBMC	114,194	41.4	38.1	CD56br CD16+	291
CD3- CD19- CD20-	23,268	20.4	7.8	CD56di CD16-	217
NK-cell	3,139	13.5	1.0	CD56di CD16+	2,071
CD56br CD16-	560	17.8	0.2	CD56br CD8a-	628
CD56br CD16+	291	9.3	0.1	CD56br CD8a+	285
CD56di CD16-	217	6.9	0.1	CD56di CD8a-	1,314
CD56di CD16+	2,071	66.0	0.7	CD56di CD8a+	912
CD56br CD8a-	628	20.0	0.2	monocytes	16,130
CD56br CD8a+	285	9.1	0.1	CD14+ CD16-	14,907
CD56di CD8a-	1,314	41.9	0.4	CD14+ CD16+	1,230
CD56di CD8a+	912	29.1	0.3	DC	1,064
lin-	4,019	17.3	1.3	CD11c+ CD123-	858
DC	1,064	26.5	0.4	CD11c+ CD123+	4
CD11c+ CD123-	858	80.6	0.3	CD11- CD123-	40
CD11c+ CD123+	4	0.4	0.0	mDC	863
CD11- CD123-	40	3.8	0.0	Slan+ CD16-	17
PDC	162	15.2	0.1	Slan+ CD16+	216
mDC	863	81.1	0.3	Slan- CD16-	471
Slan+ CD16-	17	2.0	0.0	Slan- CD16+	159
Slan+ CD16+	216	25.0	0.1	Slan- CD16+	15
Slan- CD16-	471	54.6	0.2	CD8a+ mDC	162
Slan- CD16+	159	18.4	0.1	PDC	162
Q1	190	17.9	0.1	CD8a+ PDC	3
CD8a+ PDC	3	0.3	0.0	Granulocytes	134,038
Q3	856	80.5	0.3	CD14+ CD16- G	278
CD8a+ mDC	15	1.4	0.0	CD14+ CD16+ G	8,958
monocytes	16,130	69.3	5.4	CD14- CD16- G	5,910
CD14+ CD16-	14,907	92.4	5.0	CD14- CD16+ G	118,892
CD14+ CD16+	1,230	7.6	0.4	CD14 HLA-DR low	1,246
CD14 HLA-DR low	1,246	7.7	0.4	CD14 HLA-DR med	10,659
CD14 HLA-DR med	10,659	66.1	3.6	CD14 HLA-DR high	4,237
CD14 HLA-DR high	4,237	26.3	1.4		
Granulocytes	134,038	48.6	44.7		
CD14+ CD16- G	278	0.2	0.1		
CD14+ CD16+ G	8,958	6.7	3.0		

21. Adjust Threshold in FSC (maybe delete it) and set an new Threshold in AF700 at 500
22. Measure 300.000 counts if possible.  
Alternative: a specific population stopping gate should be determined for each panel. E.g. 40'000 CD4 T-cells, or 30,000 B-cells etc. These numbers should be calculated in a way that the downstream hierarchy and less represented populations are in a sufficient number. In this way, in case of different cell frequencies, the cell populations are still numerically comparable among samples

	Tcell-Panel	Preis	µl	reicht für	Clone	Treg-Panel	Preis	µl	reicht für	Clone	Bcell-Panel	Preis	µl	reicht für	Clone	DC/mono/NK	Preis	µl	reicht für	Clone
Fitc											CD24					Slan				
AF488	CD183 (CXCR3)				G025H7										ML5					
Filter 530/30	1,25µl = 1:120	208,82	600	400	BL#953710						10µl = 1:15				BD#555427	5µl = 1:30	230,00	1000	200	Mitleny#130-093-027
PerCP-Cy5.5	CD4				RPA-T4	CD4				RPA-T4	CD19				H1B19	CD123				7G3
Filter 695/40	1,25µl = 1:120	237,20	250	200	BD#560650	1,25µl = 1:120	237,20	250	200	BD#560650	2,5µl = 1:60	237,20	250	100	BD#561295	10µl = 1:15	174,41	500	50	BD#560904
PE-TexasRED																				
Filter 610/20																				
PE	CD197 (CCR7)				150503	CD25				M-A251	CD10				HI 10a	CD56				MY31
Filter 586/15	10µl = 1:15	278,06	2000	200	BD#560765	5µl = 1:30	286,03	2000	400	BD#555432	10µl = 1:15				BD#532776	5µl = 1:30	442,50	2000	400	BD#945810
PE-Cy5																				
Filter 660/20																				
PE-Cy7	CD45RA				HI100	CD194 (CCR4)				1G1	IgD				IA6-2	CD11c				B4Y6
Filter 780/60	2,5µl = 1:60	193,33	250	800	BD#560675	2,5µl = 1:60	344,82	500	200	BD#557864	2,5µl = 1:60	101,62	500	200	BL#348210	2,5µl = 1:60	299,29	250	100	BD#561356
APC	CD38				HIT2						CD38				HIT2	CD16				873.1
AF647						CD127				HIL-7R-M21										
Filter 670/30	10µl = 1:15	357,79	2000	200	BD#555462	10µl = 1:15	164,44	500	50	BD#560905	10µl = 1:30	357,79	2000	200	BD#555462	5µl = 1:30	204,31	250	50	BD#561304
AF700	CD45				H130	CD45				H130	CD45				H130	CD45				H130
Filter 730/45	0,5µl = 1:300	163,22			BL#9304024	0,5µl = 1:300	163,22			BL#9304024	0,5µl = 1:300	163,22			BL#9304024	0,5µl = 1:300	163,22			BL#9304024
APC-H7	CD8				SK1	CD45RO				UCHL1	CD20				L27	CD3+CD19+CD20				CD3 BD#641397 Clone SK7
Filter 780/60	2,5µl = 1:60	471,40	500	200	BD#641400	2,5µl = 1:60	193,33	250	100	BD#561137	2,5µl = 1:60	471,40	500	200	BD#641396	2,5µl = 1:60	204,31	250	100	CD19 BD#560727 Clone H1B19
V450	CD3				UCHT1	CD3				UCHT1						CD14				MoP9
Brilliant Violet 421											CD27				O323					
Filter 450/50	2,5µl = 1:60	305,96	600	240	BD#560365	2,5µl = 1:60	305,96	600	240	BD#560365	2,5µl = 1:60	131,61	500	200	BL#302224	2,5µl = 1:60	305,96	600	240	BD#560349
V500	HLA-DR				L243(G46-6)	HLA-DR				L243(G46-6)	CD3				UCHT1	HLA-DR				L243(G46-6)
Filter 525/50	2,5µl = 1:60	393,67	600	200	BD#561224	2,5µl = 1:60	393,67	500	200	BD#561224	2,5µl = 1:60	393,67	500	200	BD#561416	2,5µl = 1:60	393,67	500	200	BD#561224
Brilliant Violet 605	CD196 (CCR6)				G034E3											CD8a				RPA-T8
Filter 605/40	1,25µl = 1:120	308,35	500	400	BL#933420											1,25µl = 1:120		125	100	BL#9301039
100µl Vollblut+																				
Mastermix:	34,25 µl +15,75 µl PBS					26,75 µl +23,25 µl PBS					43 µl +7 µl PBS					41,75 µl + 8,25 µl PBS				

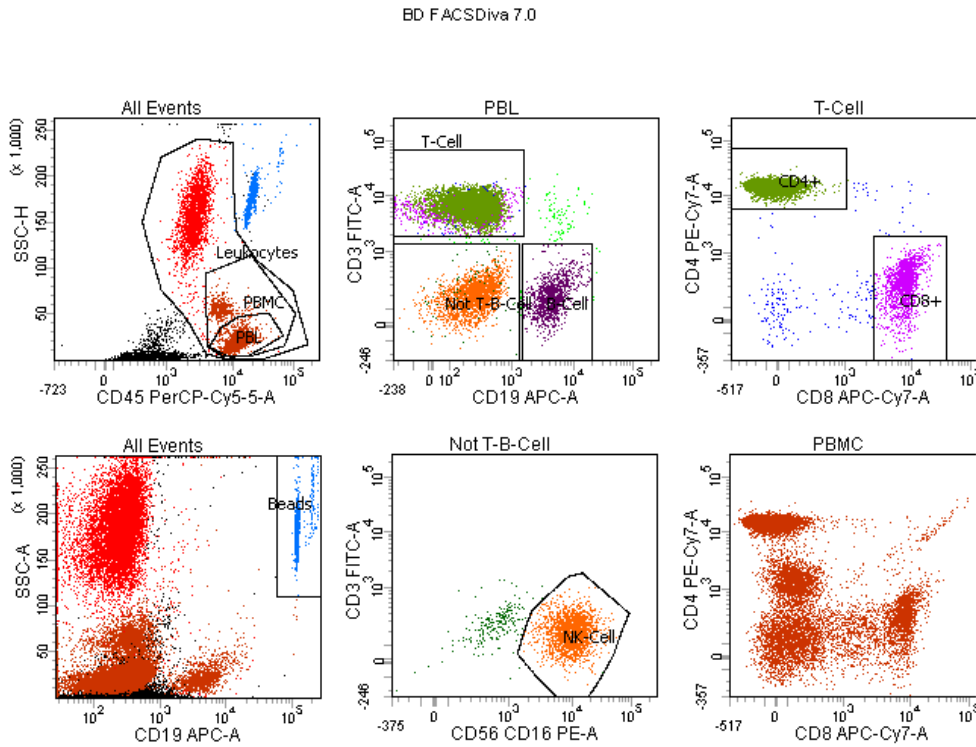
## Trucount to determine the absolute cell number

- 1) Place 50µl of gently mixed whole blood into appropriately labeled 12x75mm Trucount tube.
- 2) Add 20µl antibody cocktail (6-Color TBNK) to the appropriate tubes and mix gently.
- 3) Incubate 30 minutes in the dark at RT
- 4) Ery-lysing: Add 400µl 1x FACS BD Lysing Solution and mix immediately on a vortex device for 5seconds
- 5) Incubate at least 15 minutes in the dark at RT
- 6) Ready for analyzing. Measure within 60 minutes

## Instrument settings

1. Use the same Instrument settings like in FITMaN.
2. Set the FSC SSC to Log-Scale
3. delete the FSC and the AF700 Threshold and set an new Threshold to PerCP-Cy5.5 at 500

4. Create a Global Worksheet and the gating strategy like in the example
5. Adjust voltage of FSC SSC like in the example
6. Measure 50.000 counts  
Alternative: a specific population stopping gate should be determined.  
E.g. 20'000 Lymphocytes.



Population	#Events	%Parent	%Total
All Events	30,949	####	100.0
Leukocytes	20,673	66.8	66.8
PBL	10,001	32.3	32.3
T-Cell	6,519	65.2	21.1
CD8+	1,580	24.2	5.1
CD4+	4,736	72.6	15.3
B-Cell	1,134	11.3	3.7
Not T-B-Cell	2,229	22.3	7.2
NK-Cell	2,008	90.1	6.5
PBMC	11,652	37.6	37.6
Beads	4,799	15.5	15.5

## Calculate the absolute cell number:

$$\frac{\text{events in cell population}}{\text{count}} \times \frac{\text{beads/test}}{\text{events in bead region}} \times \text{test volume (50}\mu\text{l)} = \text{cell population absolute}$$