Harvest bone marrow cells 20 C57BL/6 mice into 10 ml PBS+5%FCS

Cell Count:

Dilute cells in 10 volumes ACK Lysing buffer 20 minutes on ice

Spin 2100, 5 min. 4°C, resuspend in 8 ml PBS+5%FCS

Added 250 ul purified anti-CD4, -CD8, -IL7Ra, -Gr-1, -Mac-1, -Ter119, -B220. 30 minutes on ice with occasional mixing

*While cells are incubating:

Place 8 ml magnetic beads to 8 conical tubes, mix, apply 5 minutes to magnet Wash magnetic beads 2X with 10 ml PBS + 5% FCS

Divide cells into 2 50 ml tubes Add 40 ml PBS with 5% FCS Spin 2100, 5 min. 4°C Resuspend the cells in each 50 ml tube in 32 ml PBS + 5% FCS

Add 8 ml to tubes with magnetic beads, mix 30 minutes on ice with occasional mixing

Mix, place tubes on magnet for 5 minutes; 4°C Remove supernatant (Lin-cells) into fresh tube

Mix, place tubes on magnet for 5 minutes; 4°C

Remove supernatant (Lin- cells) into fresh tube Spin 2100, 5 min. 4°C, resuspend in 8 ml PBS+5%FCS

Cell Count:

Add \sim 2x105 cells to 7 10 ml snap cap tubes labeled:

Cells alone APC c-kit PE Sca-1 AF700 CD16/32 Pac Blue CD34 c-kit. Sca-1 and CD16/32 c-kit. Sca-1 and CD34

125 ul PBS with 5% FCS

ul cells

ul each Ab

minutes on ice with occasional mixing

Remaining cells:

150 ul each Ab

30 minutes on ice with occasional mixing

Add 3 ml (controls, single Abs), 42 ml (for sorting) PBS with 5% FCS Spin 2100, 5 min. 4°C Resuspend in 300 ul PBS + 5%FCS (controls); 5 ml (for sorting) PBS + 5%FCS for analysis

Cell Sorting:

Megakaryocyte/Erythroid Progenitors (MEP):

Lin- c-kit+/CD34-Lo CD16/32-

Post sort Count:

Hematopoietic Stem Cells (HSC):

Lin- c-kit+ Sca-1+

Post Sort Count:

Granulocyte Macrophage Progenitor (GMP)

Lin- c-kit+ CD34+ CD16/32+

Post sort Count:

Fixation:

Collect cells by centrifugation Spin 3000, 5 min. 4°C

Resuspend in 1 ml PBS NO FCS

Add 25 ul 16% Formaldehyde (Pierce) while mixing Room temperature 30 minutes with rotation

Quench by adding glycine to a final concentration of 125mM (.010g per tube) Room temperature 5 minutes with rotation

Spin 3000, 5 min. 4°C

Resuspend cells in 100 ul of cold PBS, transfer to a microcentrifuge tube

Spin in microcentrifuge 3000 rpm for 5 minutes at 4°C

Freeze pellet