INTRACELLULAR STAINING OF HUMAN NF-KB IN ADHERENT CELLS

MATERIALS

- 1. Adherent cells
- 2. TBS
- 3. Fixative- 3.7% wt/v paraformaldehyde in TBS
- 4. Permeabilisation buffer- 0.2% Triton-X100 in TBS
- 5. Blocking buffer- 10% serum normal goat serum) in TBS
- 6. 1° Antibody: Rabbit anti-NF-κB (Santa Cruz sc-372) used at 1/50 in blocking buffer
- 7. 2° Antibody: Goat anti-Rabbit AF-633 (Invitrogen A21072) used at 1/500 in blocking buffer
- 8. DAPI (2 µg/ml) in TBS
- 9. Mounting solution (Vectashield hard set)

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- 1. Aspirate media & fix cells for 15 minutes in 3.7% paraformaldehyde
- 2. Wash cells x3 with TBS
- 3. Permeabilise cells with 0.2% Triton-X100 for 10 minutes at room temperature & wash x3 with TBS
- 4. Incubate with blocking buffer for 30 minutes at room temperature
- 5. Remove blocking buffer and incubate with 1° antibody (in blocking buffer) overnight at 4°C
- 6. Remove 1° Ab & wash x3 with TBS
- 7. Incubate with 2° reagent for 1h at room temperature
- 8. Remove 2° reagent & wash x3 with TBS
- 9. Incubate with DAPI (2 µg/ml in TBS) for 5 minutes
- 10. Wash DAPI x3 with TBS
- 11. Mount
- 12. Store @ 4°C in the dark