

10x Chromium Cell Suspension Sample QC

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RTSF Genomics Core Summary:

Tube Label	Cell Conc. (Cells/ μ l)	Percent Viability (%)	Percent Aggregates (%)	Target Cell #	Volume Water for Library Input (μ l)	Volume Cell Suspension for Library Input (μ l)

MSU Genomics Core data based on manual hemocytometer counts using Trypan Blue viability staining.

*A corner square is outlined in red in the hemocytometer counting chamber schematic.

**Trypan Blue staining adds a factor of 2X.

Slowly and gently mix cell suspension up and down with a wide-bore pipet tip 5 times. Aliquot 12 μ l of cells into a new tube using a narrow-bore pipet tip, taking the aliquot from the center of the suspension.

Add an equal volume (12 μ l) 0.4% Trypan Blue solution to the aliquoted cells. Gently mix the dyed cells 5X with a wide-bore pipet tip (P200). Incubate at RT for 5 minutes and again mix gently pipetting up and down with a wide-bore pipet tip 5X. Trypan Blue is an exclusion dye; therefore, stained cells are not viable.

Clean hemocytometer and cover slip with 70% ethanol and wipe dry with lens paper. Position the cover slip over the counting chamber.

Pipette 10 μ l of Trypan Blue stained cell suspension into each chamber of the hemocytometer via the V-shaped well using a narrow-bore pipet tip. The area under the cover slip will fill by capillary action.

Place hemocytometer on microscope stage and focus with low magnification (10X objective) first before increasing objective power, if required.

Count all four corner squares of the hemocytometer grid, including the total number of cells (viable + non-viable), the non-viable cells alone (stained), and any cells forming aggregations (3 or more cells that appear closely associated, stuck together, or overlapping).

Complete calculations to determine cell suspension concentrations, the percent viability, and the percent aggregation. If cell viability is <90% filter cell suspension with a Flowmi filter to help remove dead cells and cell debris and repeat the count. If the cell suspension concentration, viability, and aggregation is acceptable, proceed to determine input volume.

Flowmi filtration may be completed by setting a P1000 to the cell suspension volume, aspirating the sample, and while the sample is in the tip, push the tip into a Flowmi tip strainer (this should take a force equivalent to the attachment of a regular tip). Slowly dispense the sample from the pipette into a new tube.

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Count #: _____ Type: Disposable Standard Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Total #: _____
Non-Viable #: _____
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Only count top and right lines of any box. ***Non-viable cells will be stained blue.
Each corner square (red) is 1mm x 1mm x 0.1mm (depth) = 0.1mm³ = 10⁻⁴cc = 10⁻⁴ml

Total cell count (all 4 squares): Total # Non-viable cells (all 4 squares):

$$\text{Total \# cells}/\mu\text{l} = \left(\frac{\text{Total cell count}}{\text{\# squares counted}} \right) \times \left(\frac{\text{Dilution factor}}{\text{factor}} \right) \times 2 \times 10,000 \times \left(\frac{1}{1,000} \right)$$

$$\text{_____} \times \text{_____} \times 2 \times 10,000 \times \frac{1}{1,000} = \text{_____}$$

Total # viable cells = Total cell count - Total # Non-viable cells

$$\text{_____} - \text{_____} = \text{_____}$$

$$\% \text{ Viability} = \left(\frac{\text{Total \# viable cells}}{\text{Total cell count}} \right) \times 100 \quad \text{_____} \times 100 = \text{_____}$$

$$\% \text{ Aggregates} = \left(\frac{\text{Total \# Aggregate cells}}{\text{Total cell count}} \right) \times 100 \quad \text{_____} \times 100 = \text{_____}$$

Volume (μl) cell suspension input: Volume (μl) water input: