

Researchers identify stem cell population key for bone regeneration

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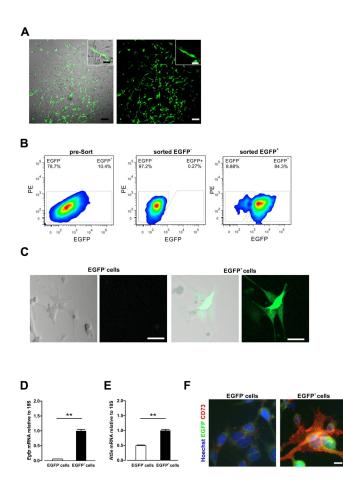


Fig. 1. Isolation and characterization of CD73-EGFP+ cells from BM. (A) EGFP+ colonies containing EGFP? cells of primary BM cultures displayed typical MSC-like morphology at day 5 in culture. Scale bars 100 ?m, insets 10 ?m. (B) EGFP+ and EGFP? cell fractions were sorted by flow cytometry from passage 2 to 3 of a whole BM cell culture. (C) Sorted EGFP+ cells showed EGFP fluorescence at passage 5 in culture. Scale bars 10 ?m. (D, E) Cultured EGFP+ cells preserved EGFP (D) and Nt5e (CD73) (E) expression at passage 6 in culture as assessed by realtime PCR. (F) Anti-CD73 staining revealed CD73 expression in EGFP+ cells. Scale bar 10 ?m. n = 3, two-sided t-test, **: P

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