Title	Differentiating Neural Stem Cells into Oligodendrocytes	
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Introduction:



Oligodendrocyte stained for PLP (green) and an intracellular marker (red) - Prof. Klaus-Armin Nave, Max-Planck-Institute for Experimental Medicine

Protocol:

Neural stem cells (NSCs) will proliferate as progenitors a few times even after the complete growth medium is replaced with the appropriate differentiation medium. If the cells reach 90% confluency, it might be necessary to split the cells at a 1:2 ratio. However, do not split the cells once they reach day 9-10 of differentiation when they can get damaged during the passaging process.

1. Plate the NSCs on a polyornithine and laminin- coated culture dish in complete StemPro NSC SFM at 2.5×10^{4} or 5×10^{4} cells/cm2.

2. After 2 days, change the medium to oligodendrocyte differentiation medium. Change the spent medium every 3 to 4 days.

Materials:



oligodendrocyte differentiation medium			
StemPro NSC SFM Complete Media			
Component Fina	al concentration	Amount	
KnockOutTM D-MEM/F-12	1X	97 mL	
GlutaMAXTM-I Supplement	2 mM	1 mL	
bFGF (prep as 100 μg/mL sto	20 µL		
EGF (prep as 100 μg/mL stock)	20 ng/mL	20 µL	
StemPro [®] Neural Supplement	2%	2 mL	
Oligodendrocyte Differentiation Medium			
Component Fina	l concentration	Amount	
Neurobasal [®] Medium	1X	97 mL	
B-27 [®] Serum-Free Supplement	2%	2 mL	
GlutaMAXTM-I Supplement	2 mM	1 mL	
Т3	30 ng/mL	0.1 mL	

✤ Troubleshooting:

***** References: