

## Supplementary information

### **Title: Establishing a method for the cryopreservation of viable peripheral blood mononuclear cells in the International Space Station**

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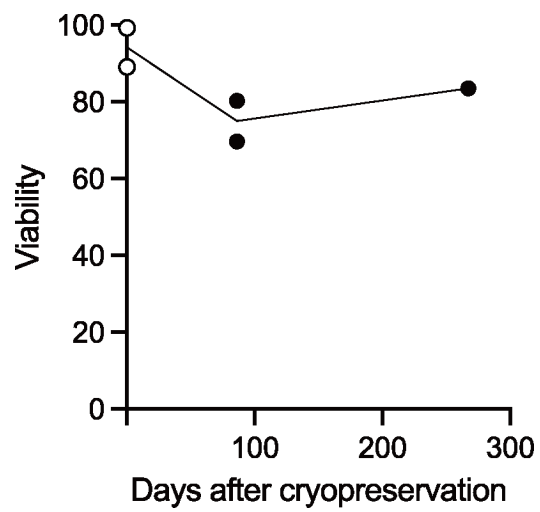
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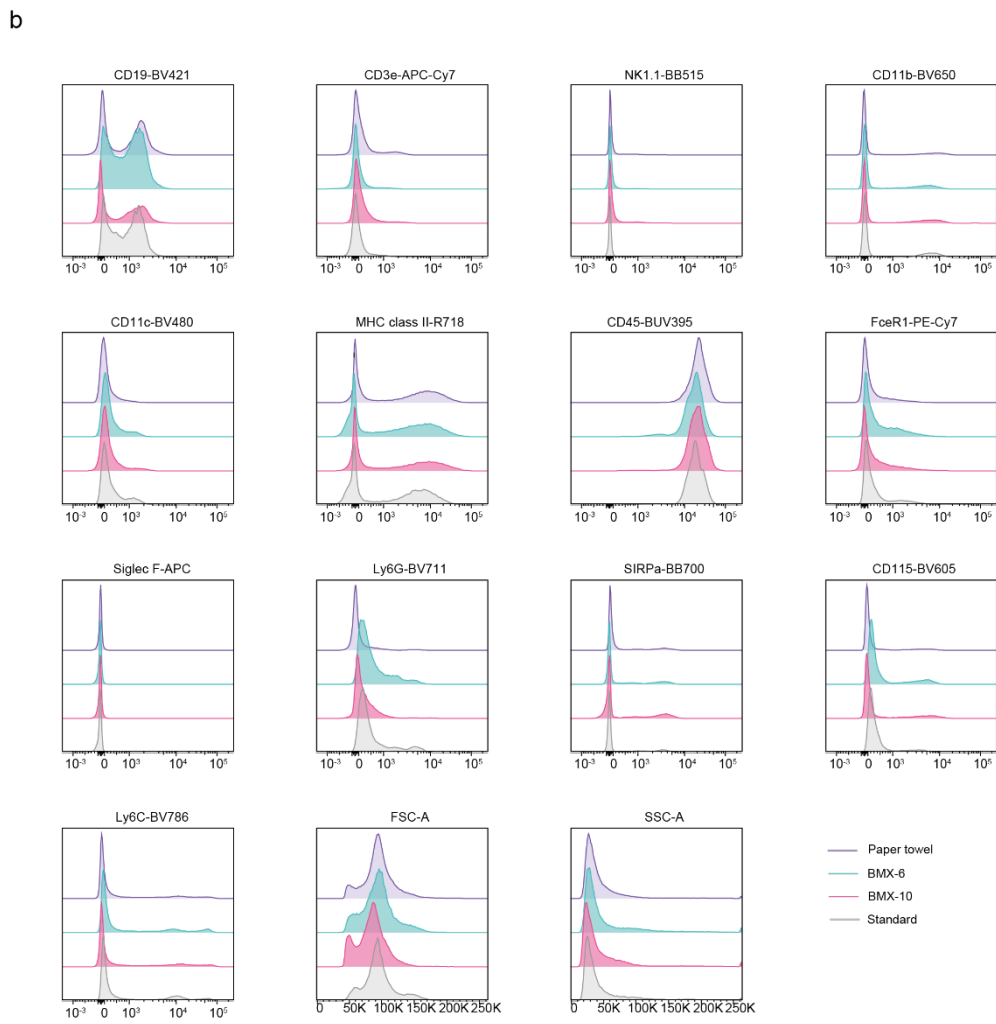
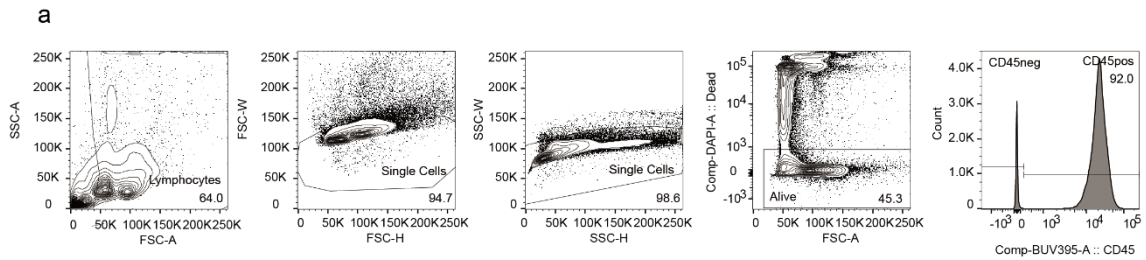
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**Supplementary Figure 1.**

Cell viability after the long-term cryopreservation. Time 0 (open circles) indicates the sample without freezing. After wrapping with paper towels, cryopreserved samples in the CP-1 (1.5 ml tube) were stored at  $-80^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 86 days (N = 2) and 267 days (N = 1).



**Supplementary Figure 2. Gating strategy for flow cytometric analysis**

**a.** Gating strategy for CD45<sup>+</sup> cells.

**b.** Flow cytometric profile of each cell surface marker. Typical data of each sample was exhibited.

Purple histograms for wrapping by paper towel, blue histograms for BMX-6, red histograms for BMX-10, and gray histograms for the standard method involving the cryopreservation after the removal of red blood cells by hemolysis.