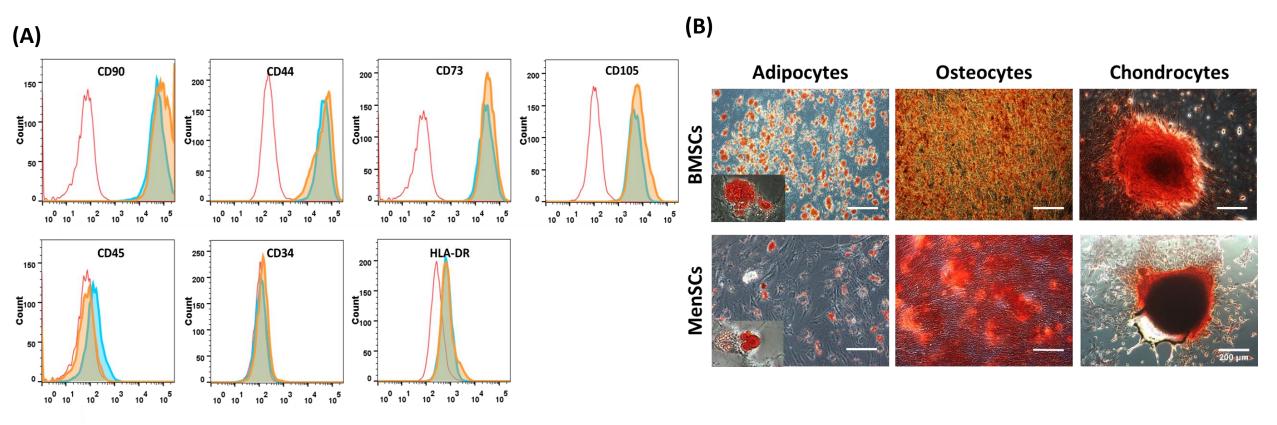
## **Additional File 1**



Supplementary Figure 1. Characterization of MenSCs and BMSCs. Stem cells isolated from the menstrual fluid and bone marrow were characterized according to ISCT guidelines. (A) MenSCs and BMSCs showed stem cell-like immunophenotypic markers. FACS profile of a representative cells samples. Blue and orange filled histograms denote the fluorescent profile of the indicated antigens in MenSCs and BMSCs, respectively; red histograms correspond to isotype-matched controls. (B) MenSCs and BMSCs displayed mesodermal differentiation. Tri-lineage differentiation of a representative MenSCs and BMSCs samples. Cells were cultured with adipogenic, osteogenic and chondrogenic induction media for 14-21 days and then stained with Oil Red O, Alizarin Red and Safranin O staining, respectively. Scale Bar: 200µm.