0.5% SERUM Kdo2 LIPID A TREATMENT PROTOCOL Version 2, 4-22-05

- 1. See Figure 1 for an overview of the time course of the protocol.
- 2. Maintain sterile technique throughout the protocol until harvesting.
- 3. Plate cells as recommended in the LIPID MAPS Thawing and Passage Procedure in growth medium to achieve 80% confluence at 30 hours following plating.
- 4. Assign a barcode to each plate/vessel and enter into LIMS.
- 5. Make up Serum Deprivation Media (DMEM, 0.5% LIPID MAPS FBS; LIPID MAPS solution protocol PS0000001000). Assign a barcode to each bottle and enter into LIMS.
- 6. Thirty hours after plating, rinse the vessels 1 X with 37° C DPBS.
- 7. Add a volume of fresh 37° C Serum Deprivation Medium.
- 8. Incubate for 18 hours at 37° C.
- 9. Immediately after removing the plate from 37° C and before treating the cells, take an aliquot (1 ml) of medium from each condition for the TNFα assay. Assign a barcode, enter into LIMS and freeze the aliquots at -20° C.
- 10. Spray the Eppendorf containing the freshly sonicated 1000x working solution (100 μg/ml) of Kdo2 Lipid A with 70% ethanol and let air dry before using.
- 11. Add the Kdo2 Lipid A to the medium, for a final concentration of 100 ng/ml. Add an equal amount of DPBS to controls.
- 12. Incubate for 24 hours at 37° C.
- 13. Immediately after removing the plate from $37^{\circ}C$ and before harvesting the cells, take an aliquot (1 ml) of medium from each condition for the TNF α assay. Assign a barcode, enter into LIMS and freeze the aliquots at -20° C. For the TNF α assay;
 - The TNF α aliquots from the LPS induced cells must be diluted in medium 1:40 and 1:80 before assaying. Do not dilute aliquots from cells that were not treated with Kdo2 lipid A. Send frozen aliquots to ElisaTech, 12635 E. Montview Blvd., Suite 216, Aurora, CO 80010.
- 14. Place vessels on ice, aspirate, and wash each vessel 2 X with an appropriate volume of 4° C DPBS.
- 15. Add another fresh volume of 4° C DPBS and scrape the cells with a scraper (see equipment list).
- 16. Pipette the cell suspension into an appropriate tube for either direct lipid extraction or centrifugation. Assign a barcode and enter into LIMS.
- 17. Suspend the cells and take an aliquot, e.g., 200 μl for 20 μl duplicates, for DNA analysis. Assign a barcode and enter into LIMS. Aliquots can be frozen for later DNA analysis. Follow the DNA assay protocol in Molecular Probe's manual with the exception of using 5 μl of standards instead of 10 μl. If you anticipate having a lower DNA concentration, use less standard for your DNA curve.
- 18. Cells can now be extracted directly or spun down for extraction of cell pellets. To centrifuge cells, spin the cell suspension at 2000 rpm for 5-10 minutes at 4° C.

Figure 1

