

<b>Title</b>	<b>LM-1 Infection &amp; Stimulation with Leishmania &amp; exosomes</b>		
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**Protocol:**

1.  $5 \times 10^5$  cells are seeded into each of the 6 well plate (with 3mL media in each well)
2. Cells are incubated overnight (16-18 hrs.)

Next day:

3. Count the parasite, remove SDM media (through centrifugation) and adjust the parasite count to a total  $2 \times 10^7$  WT L. infantum per mL (making a ratio of 20:1) in completed DMEM media.
4. Add 1mL of parasite containing DMEM to each well.
5. Add  $10 \mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  of exosomes to each well
6. Incubated the cells for 6 hrs.
7. Collect the supernatant (1 mL) in eppendorfs AND wash the cells with PBS (3x)

**With the supernatants:**

8. Spin the eppendorfs at 3000 RPM for 5 mints to spin down the parasite.
9. Carefully collect 200uL of the supernatant (preferably from the top) and aliquot it in the Eve Technologies eppendorfs.
10. Store the supernatants at  $-80^\circ\text{C}$  until they are sent to Eve technologies.

**With the washed cells:**

11. Remove PBS from the wells.
12. In the fume hood, add 1mL of TRIzol to each well. Incubate for 5 mints.
13. Collects the content of each well into an Eppendorf
14. Store the lysed cells at  $-80^\circ\text{C}$  or continue with RNA extraction

**Note:** 100ng/mL LPS is used as a positive control

**Note:** All TRIzol manipulations are done in the fume hood.