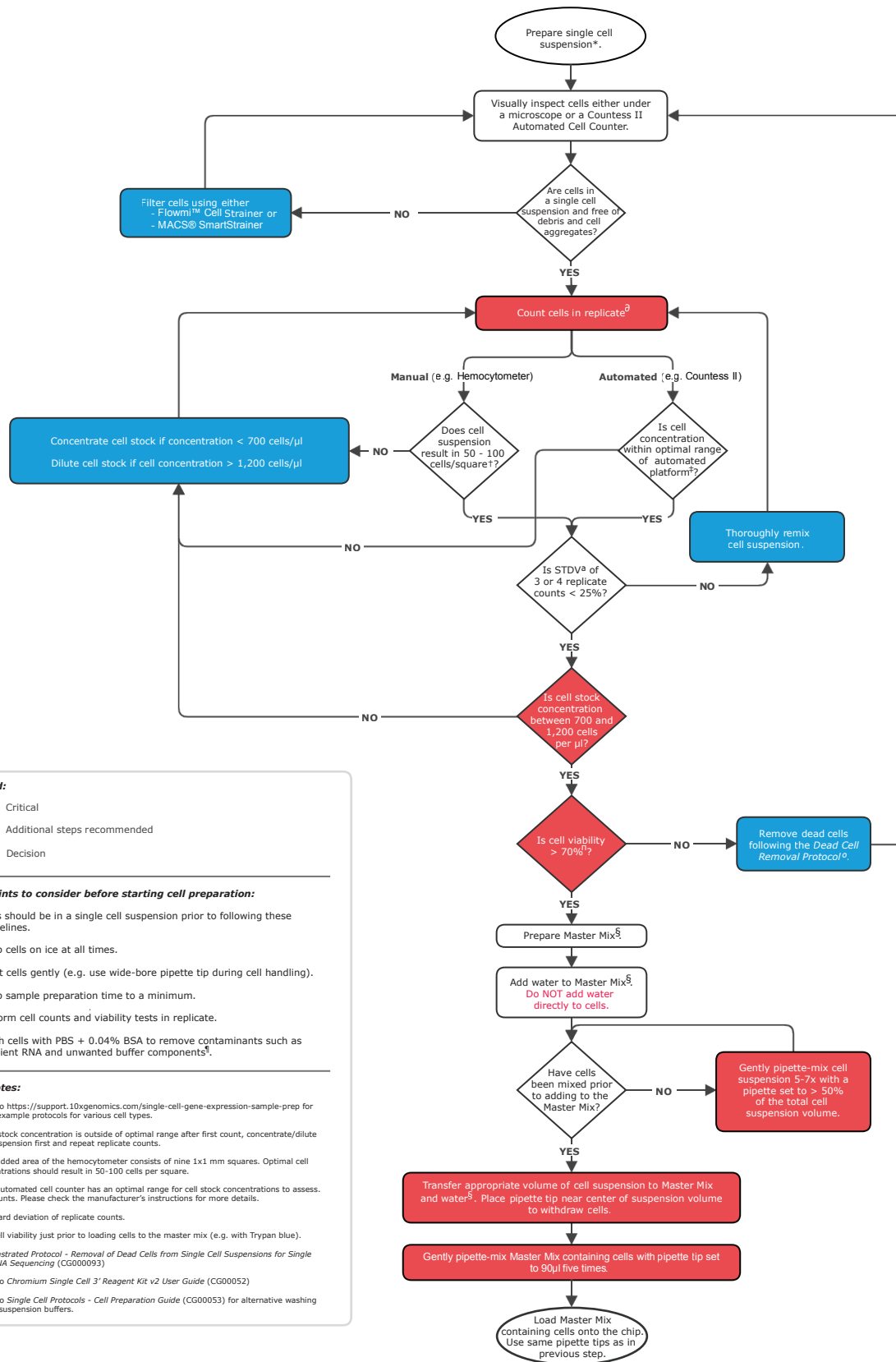


Chromium™ Single Cell Applications

Guidelines for Optimal Sample Preparation



Legend:

- Critical
- Additional steps recommended
- ◇ Decision

Key points to consider before starting cell preparation:

- Cells should be in a single cell suspension prior to following these guidelines.
- Keep cells on ice at all times.
- Treat cells gently (e.g. use wide-bore pipette tip during cell handling).
- Keep sample preparation time to a minimum.
- Perform cell counts and viability tests in replicate.
- Wash cells with PBS + 0.04% BSA to remove contaminants such as ambient RNA and unwanted buffer components¹.

Footnotes:

* Refer to <https://support.10xgenomics.com/single-cell-gene-expression/sample-prep-for-more-examples-protocols-for-various-cell-types>.

¹ If cell stock concentration is outside of optimal range after first count, concentrate/dilute cell suspension first and repeat replicate counts.

² The gridded area of the hemocytometer consists of nine 1x1 mm squares. Optimal cell concentrations should result in 50-100 cells per square.

³ Each automated cell counter has an optimal range for cell stock concentrations to assess cell counts. Please check the manufacturer's instructions for more details.

⁴ Standard deviation of replicate counts.

⁵ Test cell viability just prior to loading cells to the master mix (e.g. with Trypan blue).

⁶ Demonstrated Protocol - Removal of Dead Cells from Single Cell Suspensions for Single Cell RNA Sequencing (CG000093)

⁷ Refer to Chromium Single Cell 3' Reagent Kit v2 User Guide (CG00052)

⁸ Refer to Single Cell Protocols - Cell Preparation Guide (CG00053) for alternative washing and resuspension buffers.