293-ES Human Embryonic Kidney Cells Instructions For Use

Product Description

293-ES cells are derived from the human embryonic kidney HEK 293 cell line. 293-ES cells are adapted for suspension culture in ESF SFM and are available as a frozen vial or suspension culture.
For Research Use Only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

Product	Catalog Number	Amount	Storage
293-ES cells adapted in ESF SFM, frozen vial	94-007F	20 million cells per vial	Thaw immediately or LN_2
293-ES cells adapted in ESF SFM, suspension culture	94-007S	20 million cells in 15 mL media	Culture immediately

Important Information

ESF SFM is a 1X complete, ready to use medium. Do not add L-Glutamine or surfactants such as Pluronic® F-68. Antibiotics are not recommended; however, Penicillin-Streptomycin or Gentamicin may be used when required.

Safety Information

Read the Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and follow the handling instructions. Wear appropriate protective eyewear, clothing, and gloves.

Culture Conditions

Media: ESF SFM

Cell Line(s): 293-ES

Culture Type: Suspension or adherent

Recommended Culture Vessels: Baffled Shake flasks (vented is recommended) or T-flask

Temperature Range: 37°C

Incubator Atmosphere: Humidified, 5% CO_2 atmosphere. Ensure proper gas exchange and minimize exposure of cultures to light.

Receiving Frozen Cells

293-ES cells are frozen in ESF SFM with 10% DMSO. There are 20 x 10^6 cells per vial.

1. Prepare for thawing cells by placing 20 mL of pre-warmed ESF SFM into a 125 mL baffled, vented Erlenmeyer shake flask.
2. Thaw frozen cells rapidly by swirling in a 37ºC water bath. Thaw vial until a small amount of ice remains. Do not leave vial unattended.
3. Transfer contents of vial to culture flaks using a 2 mL pipette. Do not pour.
4. Incubate overnight at 37ºC in a humidified, 5% CO2 shaking incubator. Determine count and viability and bring volume up to 40 mL total using ESF SFM.

Receiving Suspension Cultures

293-ES cells are packaged in a 15 mL conical filled to the top with ESF SFM. There are 20 x 10^6 cells per conical.

1. Take extreme care when removing the lid of the conical.
2. Transfer the contents of the conical to a 125 mL baffled, vented Erlenmeyer shake flask using a 10 mL pipette. Do not pour. Bring the volume up to 40 mL with pre-warmed ESF SFM.

Suspension Cell Culture

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Max Density	>4x10^6/mL	Split Density	3-4x10^6/mL
Seed Density	0.5x10^6/mL	Split Frequency	3x/week

Passage the cells three days a week on a Mon/Wed/Fri schedule. Repeatedly allowing the cells to reach maximum density may change the growth kinetics of the culture. Split the cells while still in mid-log phase growth.
Note: It is recommended that a growth curve be determined using the user's standard culturing conditions. This will allow for determination of mid-log phase growth.

1. Determine viable cell count.
2. Seed shake flask to 0.5 x 10^6 cells/mL. Use 40 mL for a 125 mL baffled, vented Erlenmeyer shake flask.
3. Incubate at 37°C in a humidified, 5% CO_2 atmosphere incubator. Rotate shake flask cultures on an orbital shaker platform at 140-150 rpm. Use baffled, vented 125 mL Erlenmeyer flasks to allow for gas exchange (recommended) and loosen caps.
4. Passage when viable cell density reaches 3 x10^6 cells/mL. Cultures will grow to densities in excess of 4 x 10^6 cells/mL but repeated passage at high densities is not recommended.
5. Thaw a new vial of cells every 3 months. Cultures may be maintained for longer but increase the risk of accumulating environmental stresses that can impact the growth and performance characteristics of the culture.

Monolayer Cell Culture

1. Observe cell monolayer using an inverted microscope to assess confluence. Remove media and any floating cells using a sterile pipette or by aspiration.
2. Add 4 mL (per 25 cm^2) ESF SFM to the flask and resuspend the cells by repeatedly pipetting the medium across the monolayer. It may be necessary to aid cell detachment by tapping the side of the flask against a hard surface.
3. Determine the viable cell density of the cell suspension.
4. Inoculate 0.5-1 x 10^6 cells (per 25 cm^2) into new culture flasks containing room temperature ESF SFM (5 mL per 25 cm^2).
5. Incubate at 37°C in a humidified, 5% CO_2 atmosphere incubator. Loosen caps or use flasks with vented caps (recommended).

PEI Mediated Transfection-Suspension Culture

1. Using cells in logarithmic growth, seed culture flask with 16 mL of culture at 1 x10^6 viable cells/mL.
2. Dilute 20 ug DNA in 2 mL ESF SFM.

****Important**** Transfection efficacy will be reduced in the presence of endotoxins.

3. Dilute 50 ug PEI in 2 mL ESF SFM.
4. Incubate at room temperature for 5 minutes.
5. Combine DNA and PEI mixtures together. Vortex briefly, then incubate for 20 minutes. Mixture is a DNA:Reagent ratio of 1:2.5.
6. Add transfection mixture to 16 mL culture. Incubate at 37°C in a humidified, 5% CO_2 atmosphere incubator. Rotate shake flask cultures on an orbital shaker platform at 140-150 rpm. Use baffled, vented 125 mL Erlenmeyer flasks to allow for gas exchange (recommended) or loosen caps.
7. Assay for transfection efficiency and/or expression daily. Harvest 48-96 hours post transfection.

Transfection of Adherent Cells

1. Seed wells of a 24 well plate at a density of 3-5 x 10^5 cells per well. Allow cells to attach.
2. Prepare DNA:Reagent mixtures as above for a volume of 0.5 mL per well. DNA:PEI ratio should be 1:2.5. DNA:lipofection reagent ratio should be titrated, starting with 1:2.5.
3. Remove media from attached cells and add 0.5 mL of transfection mix to each well.
4. Incubate for 4 hours.
5. Replace with fresh media or bring final volume up to 1 mL per well.
6. Assay for transfection efficiency and/or expression daily. Harvest 72 hours post transfection.

Liposome Mediated Transfection-Suspension

1. Follow manufacturer's protocol or follow protocol for PEI transfection which uses a DNA:Reagent ratio of 1:2.5.
2. If cell viability decreases significantly after transfection, test DNA:Reagent ratios of 1:1.5 and 1:2.

Transfection Troubleshooting

1. Transfection protocols will not perform optimally if endotoxin is present. Either clean up DNA using an endotoxin removal kit or use a purification kit designed for purification of DNA with low residual endotoxin.
2. Cell culture should not be clumpy. Vortex culture for 15-30 seconds prior to transfection to disperse clumps of cells.
3. Antibiotics may interfere with transfection. Discontinue use if necessary.

Cryopreservation

1. Freezing medium is sterile filtered 90% ESF SFM plus 10% DMSO. 0.15 M trehalose may be added. Store and use at 4ºC.
2. Prepare the desired quantity of cells, harvesting in mid-log growth with viability >90%.
3. Determine the viable cell density and calculate the required volume of freezing medium to give a final cell density between 10-20 x 10^6 cells/mL.
4. Harvest the cells by centrifugation at 1000 rpm for 5 minutes. Resuspend the cells in the pre-determined volume of 4ºC freezing medium.
5. Dispense 1 mL aliquots of suspension into cryovials.
6. Achieve cryopreservation in an automated or manual controlled rate freezing apparatus following standard procedures (1ºC decrease per minute).
7. Transfer frozen cells to liquid nitrogen, we recommend vapor phase storage at -200 ºC to -125 ºC.

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