



# Vascular Smooth Muscle Cell Growth Kit

PCS-100-042™

## Description

Vascular Smooth Muscle Cell Growth Kit contains components that when added to Vascular Cell Basal Medium (ATCC PCS-100-030) create a complete cell culture environment for smooth muscle cells isolated from large vessels.

**Shipping information:** 1 kit

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## Storage Conditions

**Product format:** Frozen

**Storage conditions:** -20°C or colder, -70°C for long-term storage

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## Intended Use

This product is intended for laboratory research use only. It is not intended for any animal or human therapeutic use, any human or animal consumption, or any diagnostic use.

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## BSL 1

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## Certificate of Analysis

For batch-specific test results, refer to the applicable certificate of analysis that can be found at [www.atcc.org](http://www.atcc.org).

## Handling Procedures

### Unpacking and Storage Instructions

1. Check all containers for leakage or breakage.
2. Store the basal medium at 2°C to 8°C and the growth kit(s) at either -20°C in a freezer that is not self-defrosting or at -70°C for long-term storage. If thawed upon arrival, the growth kit should be stored at 2°C to 8°C and added to the basal medium within 72 hours of receipt.

### Preparation of Complete Growth Media

1. Obtain one growth kit from the freezer; make sure that the caps of all components are tight.
2. Thaw the components of the growth kit just prior to adding them to the basal medium. It is necessary to warm the L-glutamine component in a 37°C water bath and shake to dissolve any precipitates, prior to adding to the basal medium.
3. Obtain one bottle of Vascular Cell Basal Medium (475 mL) from cold storage.
4. Decontaminate the external surfaces of all growth kit component vials and the basal medium bottle by spraying them with 70% ethanol.
5. Using aseptic technique, and working in a laminar flow hood or biosafety cabinet transfer the volume of each growth kit component, as indicated in Table 1 or 2, to the bottle of basal medium using a separate sterile pipette for each transfer.

**Table 1.** Vascular Smooth Muscle Cell Growth Kit Components

Component	Volume	Final Concentration

rh FGF-basic	0.5 mL	5 ng/mL
rh Insulin	0.5 mL	5 µg/mL
Ascorbic acid	0.5 mL	50 µg/mL
L-glutamine	25.0 mL	10 mM
rh EGF	0.5 mL	5 ng/mL
Fetal Bovine Serum	25.0 mL	5%

Antimicrobials and phenol red are not required for proliferation but may be added if desired. The recommended volume of each **optional** component to be added to the complete growth media is summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2.** Addition of Antimicrobials/Antimycotics and Phenol Red (Optional)

Component	Volume	Final Concentration
Gentamicin- Amphotericin B Solution	0.5 mL	Gentamicin: 10 µg/mL  Amphotericin B: 0.25 µg/mL
Penicillin- Streptomycin- Amphotericin B Solution	0.5 mL	Penicillin: 10 Units/mL  Streptomycin: 10 µg/mL

		Amphotericin B: 25 ng/mL
Phenol Red	0.5 mL	33 $\mu$ M

6. Tightly cap the bottle of complete growth medium and swirl the contents gently to assure a homogeneous solution. Do not shake forcefully to avoid foaming. Label and date the bottle.
7. Complete media should be stored in the dark at 2°C to 8°C (do not freeze). When stored under these conditions, complete media is stable for 30 days.

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## Quality Control Specifications

**Bacterial and fungal testing:** Not detected

**Mycoplasma contamination:** Not detected

**Functional tests:** Rate of proliferation and morphology.

*A Certificate of Analysis (COA) is available upon request for each lot of Keratinocyte Growth Kit.*

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## Material Citation

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## References

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