Farage is a B lymphocyte cell line that was isolated in 1990 from a White, adult female patient with non-Hodgkin's B Cell lymphoma. This cell line was deposited by H Ben-Bassat and can be used in immunology research.

- **Organism** *Homo sapiens*, human
- **Cell Type** B lymphocyte
- **Age** adult
- **Gender** Female
- **Morphology** lymphoblast
- **Growth properties** Suspension
- **Disease** Lymphoma; Non-Hodgkin's B Cell

**Storage Conditions**

- **Product format** Frozen

**Intended Use**

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**BSL 2**

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Cells contain Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) DNA sequences
ATCC highly recommends that appropriate personal protective equipment is always used when handling vials. For cultures that require storage in liquid nitrogen, it is important to note that some vials may leak when submerged in liquid nitrogen and will slowly fill with liquid nitrogen. Upon thawing, the conversion of the liquid nitrogen back to its gas phase may result in the vial exploding or blowing off its cap with dangerous force creating flying debris. Unless necessary, ATCC recommends that these cultures be stored in the vapor phase of liquid nitrogen rather than submersed in liquid nitrogen.

Certificate of Analysis

For batch-specific test results, refer to the applicable certificate of analysis that can be found at www.atcc.org.

Growth Conditions

• Temperature 37°C

Handling Procedures

• Unpacking and storage instructions
  1. Check all containers for leakage or breakage.
  2. Remove the frozen cells from the dry ice packaging and immediately place the cells at a temperature below -130°C, preferably in liquid nitrogen vapor, until ready for use.

• Complete medium
  The base medium for this cell line is ATCC-formulated RPMI-1640 Medium, ATCC 30-2001. To make the complete growth medium, add the following components to the base medium: fetal bovine serum (ATCC 30-2020) to a final concentration of 10%.

• Handling Procedure
  To insure the highest level of viability, thaw the vial and initiate the culture as soon as possible upon receipt. If upon arrival, continued storage of the frozen culture is necessary, it should be stored in liquid nitrogen vapor phase and not at -70°C. Storage at -70°C will result in loss of viability.

  1. Thaw the vial by gentle agitation in a 37°C water bath. To reduce the possibility of contamination, keep the O-ring and cap out of the water. Thawing should be rapid (approximately 2 minutes).
  2. Remove the vial from the water bath as soon as the contents are thawed, and decontaminate by dipping in or spraying with 70% ethanol. All of the operations from this point on should be
carried out under strict aseptic conditions.

3. It is recommended that the cryoprotective agent be removed immediately. Centrifuge the cell suspension at approximately 125 x g for 5 to 10 minutes.

4. Transfer the cell pellet to an appropriate size vessel (see the specific batch information for the culture recommended dilution ratio). It is important to avoid excessive alkalinity of the medium during recovery of the cells. It is suggested that, prior to the addition of the vial contents, the culture vessel containing the growth medium be placed into the incubator for at least 15 minutes to allow the medium to reach its normal pH (7.0 to 7.6).

5. Incubate the culture at 37°C in a suitable incubator. A 5% CO₂ in air atmosphere is recommended if using the medium described on this product sheet.

- **Subculturing procedure** Cultures can be maintained by the addition of fresh medium or replacement of medium. Alternatively, cultures can be established by centrifugation with subsequent resuspension at 3 - 5 x 10⁵ viable cells/mL. Maintain cell density between 3 x 10⁵ and 3 x 10⁶ viable cells/mL.

**Medium Renewal:** Add fresh medium every 2 to 3 days (depending on cell density).

- **Reagents for cryopreservation** Complete growth medium supplemented with 5% (v/v) DMSO (ATCC 4-X)

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**Material Citation**

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