



## Product Sheet

# SW620 [SW-620] (ATCC®) CCL-227™)

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Storage Temp.  
**liquid nitrogen**  
vapor phase

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Biosafety Level  
**1**

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### Citation of Strain

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## Description

**Organism:** *Homo sapiens*, human  
**Tissue:** colon; derived from metastatic site: lymph node  
**Disease:** Dukes' type C, colorectal adenocarcinoma  
**Age:** 51 years  
**Gender:** male  
**Morphology:** epithelial  
**Growth Properties:** adherent  
**Isoenzymes:**  
ES-D, 1  
G6PD, B  
PEP-D, 1  
PGD, A  
PGM1, 2  
PGM3, 1  
**DNA Profile:**  
Amelogenin: X  
CSF1PO: 13,14  
D13S317: 12  
D16S539: 9,13  
D5S818: 13  
D7S820: 8,9  
THO1: 8  
TPOX: 11  
vWA: 16

**Cytogenetic Analysis:** modal number = 50; range = 45 to 53

The stemline chromosome number is hyperdiploid with the 2S component occurring at 12% and 11 marker chromosomes were common to S metaphases. One of the 11 markers [7 (7p; 11p)] was disomic., M1 was probably an HSR but the origin of the chromosome could not be identified.

## Batch-Specific Information

Refer to the Certificate of Analysis for batch-specific test results.

## SAFETY PRECAUTION

ATCC highly recommends that protective gloves and clothing always be used and a full face mask always be worn when handling frozen vials. It is important to note that some vials leak when submersed 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 vessel exploding or blowing off its cap with dangerous force creating flying debris.

## Unpacking & 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.

## Handling Procedure for Frozen Cells

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. Transfer the vial contents to a centrifuge tube containing 9.0 mL complete culture medium. and spin at approximately 125 x g for 5 to 7 minutes.
4. Resuspend cell pellet with the recommended complete medium (see the specific batch information for the culture recommended dilution ratio).
5. Incubate the culture at 37°C in a suitable incubator without CO<sub>2</sub>



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## Handling Procedure for Flask Cultures

The flask was seeded with cells (see specific batch information) grown and completely filled with medium at ATCC to prevent loss of cells during shipping.

1. Upon receipt visually examine the culture for macroscopic evidence of any microbial contamination. Using an inverted microscope (preferably equipped with phase-contrast optics), carefully check for any evidence of microbial contamination. Also check to determine if the majority of cells are still attached to the bottom of the flask; during shipping the cultures are sometimes handled roughly and many of the cells often detach and become suspended in the culture medium (but are still viable).
2. **If the cells are still attached**, aseptically remove all but 5 to 10 mL of the shipping medium. The shipping medium can be saved for reuse. Incubate the cells at 37°C **without CO<sub>2</sub>** until they are ready to be subcultured.
3. **If the cells are not attached**, aseptically remove the entire contents of the flask and centrifuge at 125 x g for 5 to 10 minutes. Remove shipping medium and save. Resuspend the pelleted cells in 10 mL of this medium and add to 25 cm<sup>2</sup> flask. Incubate at 37°C **without CO<sub>2</sub>** until cells are ready to be subcultured.



## Subculturing Procedure

Volumes used in this protocol are for 75 cm<sup>2</sup> flasks; proportionally reduce or increase amount of dissociation medium for culture vessels of other sizes. Corning® T-75 flasks (catalog #430641) are recommended for subculturing this product.

1. Remove and discard culture medium.
2. Briefly rinse the cell layer with Ca<sup>++</sup>/Mg<sup>++</sup> free Dulbecco's phosphate-buffered saline (D-PBS) or 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin - 0.53 mM EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum which contains trypsin inhibitor.
3. Add 2.0 to 3.0 mL of Trypsin-EDTA solution to flask and observe cells under an inverted microscope until cell layer is dispersed (usually within 5 to 15 minutes).  
**Note:** To avoid clumping do not agitate the cells by hitting or shaking the flask while waiting for the cells to detach. Cells that are difficult to detach may be placed at 37°C to facilitate dispersal.
4. Add 2.0 to 3.0 mL of complete growth medium and aspirate cells by gently pipetting
5. Resuspend the cell pellet in fresh growth medium. Add appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels.
6. Incubate cultures at 37°C.

**Subcultivation Ratio:** A subcultivation ratio of 1:2 to 1:10 is recommended

**Medium Renewal:** 2 to 3 times per week

**Note:** For more information on enzymatic dissociation and subculturing of cell lines consult Chapter 10 in *Culture of Animal Cells, a manual of Basic Technique* by R. Ian Freshney, 3rd edition, published by Alan R. Liss, N.Y., 1994.



## Cryopreservation Medium

Complete growth medium described above supplemented with 5% (v/v) DMSO. Cell culture tested DMSO is available as ATCC Catalog No. 4-X.



## Comments

A recurrence of the malignancy resulted in a wide-spread metastasis from the colon to an abdominal mass. The established cell line consists mainly of individual small spherical and bipolar cells lacking microvilli. The cells synthesize only small quantities of carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA), and are highly tumorigenic in nude mice.

The cells are negative for expression of CSAP (CSAp-) and colon antigen 3, negative.

The cells are positive for keratin by immunoperoxidase staining.

The line was derived from a metastasis of the same tumor from which the SW480 (ATCC CCL-228) was derived.

There is a G -> A mutation in codon 273 of the p53 gene resulting in an Arg -> His substitution.

The line is positive for expression of c-myc, K-ras, H-ras, N-ras, Myb, sis and fos oncogenes.

N-myc oncogene expression was not detected.



## References

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