C2BBe1 [clone of Caco-2] (ATCC® CRL-2102™)

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Storage Temp.
liquid nitrogen
vapor phase

Biosafety Level
1

Intended Use
This product is intended for research use only. It is not intended for any animal or human therapeutic or diagnostic use.

Complete Growth Medium
The base medium for this cell line is ATCC-formulated Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium, Catalog No. 30-2002. To make the complete growth medium, add the following components to the base medium: 0.01 mg/ml human transferrin; fetal bovine serum to a final concentration of 10%.

Citation of Strain
If use of this culture results in a scientific publication, it should be cited in that manuscript in the following manner: C2BBe1 [clone of Caco-2] (ATCC® CRL-2102™)

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.

SAFETY PRECAUTION

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). 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 complete 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). 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.

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.
**Subculturing Procedure**

Volumes are given for a 75 cm² flask. Increase or decrease the amount of dissociation medium needed proportionally for culture vessels of other sizes.

1. Remove and discard culture medium.
2. Briefly rinse the cell layer with 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin-0.53 mM EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum that 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 6.0 to 8.0 mL of complete growth medium and aspirate cells by gently pipetting.
5. Add appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels.
6. Incubate cultures at 37°C.

**Subculture at 85% of confluence (about every 5 to 7 days).**

**Subcultivation Ratio:** A subcultivation ratio of 1:6 to 1:10 is recommended

**Medium Renewal:** Twice per week

**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**

The clone was selected on the basis of morphological homogeneity and exclusive apical villin localization. C2BBε1 cells form a polarized monolayer with an apical brush border (BB) morphologically comparable to that of the human colon. Isolated BB contained the microvillar proteins villin, fimbrin, sucrase-isomaltase, BB myosin-1 and the terminal web proteins fodrin and myosin II.

The cells express substantial levels of BB myosin I similar to that of the human enterocyte. Although clonal, and far more homogeneous than the parental Caco-2 cell line with respect to BB expression, these cells are still heterogenous for microvillar length, microvillar aggregation, and levels of expression of certain BB proteins.

**References**

References and other information relating to this product are available online at [www.atcc.org](http://www.atcc.org).

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