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.

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.

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 Flask Cultures

Handling Procedure for Flask Cultures (Suspension)

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.
2. Incubate the flask in an upright position for several hours at 37°C. After the temperature has equilibrated, aseptically remove the entire contents of the flask and centrifuge at 125 xg for 5 to 10 minutes. Remove shipping medium and save for reuse. Resuspend the cell pellet in 10 mL of this medium.

Handling Procedure for Flask Cultures (Complete Growth Medium)

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.
2. Incubate the flask in an upright position for several hours at 37°C. After the temperature has equilibrated, aseptically remove the entire contents of the flask and centrifuge at 125 xg for 5 to 10 minutes. Remove shipping medium and save for reuse. Resuspend the cell pellet in 10 mL of this medium.

Citation of Strain

If use of this culture results in a scientific publication, it should be cited in that manuscript in the following manner: 2BD4E4 K99 (ATCC® HB-8178™)
3. From this cell suspension remove a sample for a cell count and viability. Adjust the cell density of the suspension to 2-3 x 10^5 viable cells/mL in the shipping medium.
4. Incubate the culture, horizontally, at 37°C in a 5% CO₂ in air atmosphere. Maintain the cell density of the culture as suggested under the subculture procedure.

Subculturing Procedure

Medium Renewal: Every 3 to 4 days
Cultures can be maintained by addition or replacement of fresh medium. Start cultures at 1 X 10^5 cells/ml and maintain between 1 X 10^5 and 5 X 10^5 cells/ml.

Cryopreservation Medium

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

Comments

Animals were immunized with E. coli K99 pilus.
Spleen cells were fused with NS-1 myeloma cells.

References

References and other information relating to this product are available online at www.atcc.org.

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