



## Product Sheet

# MDA-MB-330 (ATCC® HTB-127™)

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Do not filter EGF thru 0.22 micron filter.

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## Description

**Organism:** *Homo sapiens*, human

**Tissue:** mammary gland; breast; Derived from metastatic site: pleural effusion

**Disease:** Infiltrating lobular carcinoma

**Age:** 43 years

**Gender:** female

**Morphology:** epithelial

**Growth Properties:** adherent

**Isoenzymes:**

AK-1, 1

ES-D, 1

G6PD, B

GLO-I, 1

PGM1, 1

PGM3, 1

**DNA Profile:**

Amelogenin: X

CSF1PO: 10

D13S317: 9

D16S539: 9,12

D5S818: 13

D7S820: 10,11

THO1: 8,9,3

TPOX: 8,11

vWA: 14,16

**Cytogenetic Analysis:** modal number = 64 with one marker chromosome

## Batch-Specific Information

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

## SAFETY PRECAUTION

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## 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.

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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.

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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



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approximately 125 x g for 5 to 7 minutes. Discard supernatant.

4. Resuspend the cell pellet with the recommended complete medium and dispense into a 25 cm<sup>2</sup> culture flask. It is important to avoid excessive alkalinity of the medium during recovery of the cells.
5. Incubate the culture at 37°C in a suitable incubator in a free gas exchange with **atmospheric air**.



### Handling Procedure for Flask Cultures

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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 in air atmosphere 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 xg 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 in air atmosphere in shipping medium. until cells are ready to subculture



### Subculturing Procedure

**Subcultivation Ratio:** A subcultivation ratio of 1:2 to 1:4 is recommended

**Medium Renewal:** Once per week

Remove medium, add fresh 0.25% trypsin, 0.02% EDTA solution for 1 to 2 minutes, remove trypsin and let the culture sit at 37°C until the cells detach. Add fresh medium, aspirate and dispense into new flasks.



### 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

The population exhibited a mixed phenotype when examined by immunofluorescence staining for tubulin, with some cells (type I) having extensive arrays and others (type II) a more diffuse reaction pattern.

Most cells of the line stained positively for actin.

This line grows very slowly (doubling time is 10 to 20 days) and never becomes confluent.



### References

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### Biosafety Level: 1

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