**Description**

Organism: *Homo sapiens*, human  
Tissue: bone marrow  
Disease: chronic myelogenous leukemia (CML)  
Age: 53 years  
Gender: female  
Morphology: lymphoblast  
Growth Properties: suspension

**Isoenzymes:**

- AK-1, 1  
- ES-D, 1  
- G6PD, B  
- GLO-I, 2  
- Me-2, 0  
- PGM1, 0  
- PGM3, 1

**DNA Profile:**

- Amelogenin: X  
- CSF1PO: 9,10  
- D13S317: 8  
- D16S539: 11,12  
- D5S818: 11,12  
- D7S820: 9,11  
- TH01: 9.3  
- TPOX: 8,9  
- vWA: 16

**Cytogenetic Analysis:** The stemline chromosome number is triploid with the 2S component occurring at 4.2%. Fifteen markers (M1 and M(15)) occurred in nearly all S metaphases. Spontaneous non-specific dicentrics occurred, but rarely. Unstable markers were also rarely seen. The X was disomic, and N9 was nullisomic.

**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 10 minutes.  
4. Resuspend the cell pellet with the recommended complete medium (see the specific batch information for the culture recommended dilution ratio) and dispense into a 25 cm² or a 75 cm² culture flask. It is important to avoid excessive alkalinity of the medium during recovery of the cells. It is suggested that,
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.

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.
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 x g for 5 to 10 minutes. Remove shipping medium and save for reuse. Resuspend the cell pellet in 10 mL of this medium.
3. From this cell suspension remove a sample for a cell count and viability. Adjust the cell density of the suspension to 2-5 x 10⁵ 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

Cultures can be maintained by the addition or replacement of fresh medium. Start new cultures at 1 x 10⁵ viable cells/mL. Subculture at 1 x 10⁶ cells/mL. Corning® T-75 flasks (catalog #431464) are recommended for subculturing this product.

Medium Renewal: Every 2 to 3 days

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 cell population has been characterized as highly undifferentiated and of the granulocytic series. Studies conducted by Anderson, et al., on the surface membrane properties led to the conclusion that the K-562 was a human erythroleukemia line. K-562 blasts are multipotential, hematopoietic malignant cells that spontaneously differentiate into recognizable progenitors of the erythroid, granulocytic, and monocytic series.

The effect of inducers on sublines derived from the original K-562 cell line have been reviewed by Koeffler and Golde. Karyological studies on various K-562 sublines have been classified into three groups (A,B,C) by Dimery, et al. The strain obtained by the ATCC most closely resembles the B population. Occurrence of the Philadelphia chromosome, however, was of much lower frequency; none detected in 15 metaphases examined. The line is EBNA negative.

References

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

Biosafety Level: 1

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the current publication of the Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Institutes for Health.

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