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AIMS

Standardized production of organotypic NMSC models with high reproducibility.

SCOPE

This SOP applies to the workgroup of Prof. Dr. Schäfer-Korting, Institute for Pharmacy, Freie Universität Berlin.

MATERIALS

Equipment

| Designation | Manufacturer |
|---|--|
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| Autoklave | Systec, Wettenberg |
| Centrifuge (Eppendorf) | Eppendorf, Hamburg |
| Centrifuge (Megafuge® 1.0R) | Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA |
| Cryotome (Leica CM 1510S) | Leica Microsystems, Wetzlar |
| Drying cabinet | Memmert, Schwabach |
| Fluorescence microscope (BZ-8000K) | Keyence, Osaka, JAP |
| Freezer (-20°C) | Siemens, München |
| Freezer (-80°C) | Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA |
| Incubator (BB6220) | Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA |
| Magnetic stirrer RCT basic | IKA-Werke, Staufen |
| Microtome (Hyrax M40) | Zeiss, Jena |
| Nitrogen tank (Arpege 70) | Air Liquide, Paris, F |
| Paraffinization station (Microm EC 350) | Zeiss, Jena |
| Phase contrast inverted microscope (Axiovert 40C) | Zeiss, Jena |
| pH meter (766 Calimatic) | Knick, Nürnberg |
| Pipette (Eppendorf Reference®) | Eppendorf, Hamburg |
| Pipetting aid (Easypet®) | Eppendorf, Hamburg |
| Refrigerator (4°C) | Siemens, München |
| Sterile working bench (LaminAir®) | Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA |
| Water bath | Gesellschaft für Labortechnik, Burgwedel |
| Water processing unit (SG LaboStar) | SG Wasseraufberitung und Regenerierstation, Barsbüttel |

Equivalent equipment of other suppliers can be used as well.

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Cells

| Designation | Source |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| NHDF, passage 3, pooled of 3 donors | Isolation from juvenile preputium 1) |
| NHK, passage 3, pooled of 3 donors | Isolation from juvenile preputium 4) |
| SCC-12, passage ≤100 | cell line |

Consumables

| Designation | Supplier |
|---|--|
| 2-Propanol | VWR, Darmstadt |
| Acetone | VWR, Darmstadt |
| Adenine HCI monohydrate | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Amphotericin B | Biochrom, Berlin |
| Ascorbic acid | Merck, Darmstadt |
| Calcium chloride | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Calibration solutions (pH 7, pH 9) | Hanna Instruments, Woonsocket, RI, USA |
| Cell culture flask (75 cm², 150 cm²) | TPP, Trasadingen, Schweiz |
| Centrifuge tubes (15, 50 mL) | TPP, Trasadingen, Schweiz |
| Cholera toxin | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Collagen G (≥95% collagen type I, <5%: type III, IV, V) | Biochrom, Berlin |
| Coverslip | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Cryo vial | Almeco, Esbjerg N, DK |
| Cryomold Standard (25x20x5 mm) Specimen Molds Disposable Vinyl | Sakura, Zoeterwonde, NL |
| Deep-6-well-plate | Corning, Corning, NY, USA |
| Dimethyl sulfoxide (plant cell culture tested) | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM) | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| DMEM(10x) | Biochrom, Berlin |
| DMEM/F-12 | Lifetechnologies, Darmstadt |
| DMEM+GlutaMax | Lifetechnologies, Darmstadt |

¹) according to SOP "Isolation of keratinocytes and fibroblasts from human specimens"

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Consumables (continued)

| Designation | Supplier |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Embedding cassettes Rotilabo® | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Eosin solution | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Epidermal Growth Factor (EGF) | Lifetechnologies, Darmstadt |
| Ethanol, 96%, methylethyl ketone denaturated | Berkel AHK, Berlin |
| Ethanol, absolute | Merck, Darmstadt |
| Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA) | Sigma-Aldrich, Schnelldorf |
| EZ-DeWax [™] for deparaffinization | BioGenex, San Ramon, CA, USA |
| Fetal calf serum | Biochrom, Berlin |
| Forceps (anatomical) | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Gentamicin | Lifetechnologies, Darmstadt |
| Glass bottles (0,25 L, 1 L, Boro 3.3, GL 45) | Schott, Mainz |
| 4-(2-hydroxyethyl)-1-piperazineethanesulfonic acid (HEPES) buffer | Biochrom, Berlin |
| Hydrocortisone | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Inserts (polyethylene terephthalate membrane, 0.4 µm pore size) | Corning, Corning, NY, USA |
| Insulin | Roche, Grenzach-Wyhlen |
| Keratinocytes Growth Medium (KGM) | Lonza, Köln |
| L-Glutamine | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Mayer's Hem Alum solution | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Metal base mold for paraffinization (24x24x12; 14038832453) | Leica, Nussloch |
| Microtome blades (cryo) | Leica, Nussloch |
| Microtome blades SEC35 (paraffin) | Microm International, Walldorf |
| Nitrogen (liquid) | Air Liquide, Paris, F |
| Non-essential amino acids | Lifetechnologies, Darmstadt |

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Consumables (continued)

| Designation | Supplier |
|--|---------------------------------|
| Paraffin No. 6 | Thermo scientific, Braunschweig |
| Parafilm (Nescofilm®) | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Penicillin-Streptomycin-solution (100x, 10.000 U/mL Penicillin, 10 mg/mL Streptomycin) | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Pipette tips | Eppendorf, Hamburg |
| Pipettes (5 mL, 10 mL, 25 mL) | Sarstedt, Nümbrecht |
| Poly-L-Lysine HBr | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Potassium chloride (KCI, cell culture tested) | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Potassium dihydrogen orthophosphate (KH ₂ PO ₄) | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Reaction tube | Eppendorf, Hamburg |
| Roti-Histofix 4%, pH 7 | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Roti-Histokitt | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Roti-Histol | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Scalpel (No. 24) | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Slides (cryo, Polysine slides) | Thermo scientific, Braunschweig |
| Slides (paraffin, Superfrost Ultra Plus) | Thermo scientific, Braunschweig |
| Sodium chloride (NaCl, pro analysi) | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Sodium hydroxide (pellets) | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Stirring bar | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Syringe (10 mL, 20 mL) | BBraun, Melsungen |
| Syringe filter (Cellulose acetate, 0.2 μm pore size, ⁵) | Sarstedt, Nümbrecht |
| Syringe filter (Polyethersulfone, 0.2 µm pore size,²) | Carl Roth, Karlsruhe |
| Tissue freezing medium | Leica, Nussloch |
| Transferrin | PromoCell, Heidelberg |
| Triiodothyronine | Sigma-Aldrich, München |
| Trypsin | Sigma-Aldrich, München |

Equivalent consumables of other suppliers can be used as well.

²) Filtrate is sterile according to United States Pharmacopeia (USP)

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Custom-made media

| Description | Ingredients | | | Remarks |
|------------------|----------------------------------|-------|----|--|
| FGM | DMEM | 500 | mL | |
| | Fetal Calf Serum | 50 | mL | |
| | L-Glutamine | 5 | mL | |
| | Penicillin/Streptomycin | 5 | mL | 4°C, 6 weeks ⁶) |
| PBS | KCI | 200 | mg | |
| | NaCl | 8,000 | mg | |
| | KH ₂ PO ₄ | 200 | mg | |
| | Na ₂ HPO ₄ | 1,148 | mg | autoclave, check pH 3) |
| | Aq. bidest. | 1 | L | 4°C, 6 weeks ⁶) |
| SCC-12- | DMEM/F12 | 500 | mL | |
| growth medium | Fetal Calf Serum | 50 | mL | |
| | Penicillin/Streptomycin | 5 | mL | 4°C, 6 weeks ⁶) |
| Trypsin-EDTA | Trypsin | 2,500 | mg | c(Trypsin)=250 mg/mL |
| stock solution | EDTA | 29.22 | mg | sterile filtration, |
| | PBS | 10 | mL | Aliquot: 4°C, 6 weeks 6) |
| Trypsin-EDTA | Trypsin-EDTA stock solution | 1 | mL | c(Trypsin)=2.5 mg/mL = 0.25% c(EDTA)=1.0 mmol/L |
| working solution | PBS | 99 | mL | 4°C, 2 weeks ⁶) |

³) perform calibration of pH meter before use (pH 7, pH 9, stirring bar)

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Custom-made media (continued)

| Description | Ingredients | CAliquot | C _{CDM} | | Remarks |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| CGM | Adenine HCI H ₂ O | 1.8 10 ⁻² | 1.6 10 ⁻⁶ | mol/L | 4°C, 6 weeks ³) |
| | Amphotericin B | 0,3 | 0.3 10 ⁻⁴ | g/L | |
| | Choleratoxin | 1.1 10 ⁻⁶ | 9.7 10 ⁻¹⁰ | mol/L | |
| | DMEM+GlutaMax | | 44 | % | |
| | DMEM/F-12 | | 44 | % | |
| | EGF | 10 10 ⁻³ | 8.8 10 ⁻⁶ | g/L | |
| | Fetal Calf Serum | 100 | 8,8 | % | |
| | Gentamycin | 50 | 4.4 10 ⁻² | g/L | |
| | Hydrocortisone | 1 | 3.5 10 ⁻³ | g/L | |
| | Insulin | 1 | 0.4 10 ⁻³ | g/L | |
| | Non-essential amino acids | 100 | 0,4 | % | |
| | Penicillin/Streptomycin | 10 ⁴ 10 | 88 8.8 10 ⁻² | U/mL g/L | |
| | Transferrin | 4 | 3.5 10 ⁻⁴ | g/L | |
| | Triiodothyronine | 3 10 ⁻⁵ | 1.9 10 ⁻⁹ | mol/L | |
| CDM | CGM | | 99.3 | % | |
| | Ascorbic acid | 5.7 10 ⁻² | 2.5 10 ⁻⁴ | mol/L | |
| | CaCl ₂ · 2H ₂ O | 1 | 1.8 10 ⁻³ | mol/L | |

(1)
$$c = \frac{m}{M_r \cdot V}$$
; $\beta = \frac{m}{V} \Rightarrow c = \frac{\beta}{M_r}$ (2) $V_{Aliquot}$ see Table 2 (3) $V_{CDM} = 1131 \text{ mL}$
(4) $c_{Aliquot} = \frac{m_{portion}}{M_r \cdot V_{Aliquot}}$ (5) $c_{CDM} = \frac{c_{Aliquot} \cdot V_{Aliquot}}{V_{CDM}}$

Prepare CGM without fetal calf serum in a 1 L-bottle and mix for 5 minutes using a stirring bar. Dispense the mixture to five 200 mL-bottles and add 20 mL fetal calf serum to each bottle. Gently mix the CGM, label with "CGM" and the date of production.

Prepare CDM by adding aliquots of ascorbic acid and CaCl₂ to the 200 mL-bottles shortly before using CDM. Gently mix the CDM and label with "CDM".

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STEP-TO-STEP PROTOCOL

Dermal Compartment | Day 01

Materials

Collagen G, deep-6-well-plate, DMEM(10x), forceps, HEPES buffer, insert, NHDF, materials for cell subculture and cell count

Step-to-step protocol

- Determine the number of constructs you need to grow
- Cultivate NHDF in an incubator. For each construct you need 0.8 x 10⁶ NHDF
- Place inserts into deep-6-well-plate with forceps and label each tray with the batch no
- Prepare buffer for collagen gel. Mix appropriate volumes of DMEM(10x), HEPES buffer and NaOH solution in this order (Table 1). Store the prepared buffer on ice

| Ingredients | Propor- tion (%) | Quantity / 6 c (µL)ª | Quantity / 6 c (µL) ^b | Quantity / 8 c (µL)ª | Quantity / 8 c (µL) ^b |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Collagen G | 80.0 | 6,400 | 18,080 | 8,800 | 24,080 |
| DMEM(10x) | 5.0 | 400 | 1,130 | 550 | 1,506 |
| HEPES buffer | 2.5 | 200 | 565 | 275 | 753 |
| NaOH solution (0.7 mol/L) | 2.5 | 200 | 565 | 275 | 753 |
| FGM | 10.0 | 800 | 2,260 | 1,100 | 3,010 |
| NHDF (x10 ⁶) | 0.8 | 0 | 4.8 | 0 | 6.4 |
| Σ | 100.0 | 8,000 | 22,600 | 11,000 | 30,102 |

Table 1 Composition of dermal compartments including 20% addition. a) Quantities for acellular collagen gel. b) Quantities for cellular collagen gel. c constructs.

 Prepare acellular collagen gels by pouring collagen G into a centrifuge tube. Add the buffer and mix thoroughly, but avoid foaming. Then add FGM and mix thoroughly, but avoid foaming.
 Transfer 1 mL of collagen mix into each insert

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Dermal Compartment | Day 01 (continued)

▲ CRITICAL STEPs

- Stick to the sequence DMEM(10x), HEPES buffer, NaOH solution to prevent the dermal compartments from crystals
- Keep collagen G chilled at 4-8°C, perform this step within 4 minutes to prevent early gelling
- Pure collagen G without foaming because air-bubbles damage dermal compartment
- Watch the pH value. If color of acellular collagen mix (phenol red in DMEM(10x)) still indicates acidic pH, add some microliters of NaOH (0.7 mol/L)
- Incubate the acellular collagen gel in the incubator for the next 2 h
- Trypsinize NHDF. Determine the number of NHDF, then centrifuge at 130 g for 5 min at 25°C, discard the supernatant. Wash NHDF with PBS, then centrifuge again at 130 g for 5 min at 25°C. Discard the supernatant, leave the pellet on ice for max. 30 min
- Resuspend NHDF pellet in appropriate volume of FGM (Table 1)
- Prepare cellular collagen gel by pouring collagen G into a 50 mL glass bottle (washed, autoclaved). Add the buffer and mix thoroughly, but avoid foaming. Then add NHDF (suspended in FGM) and mix thoroughly, but avoid foaming
- Transfer 3 mL of cellular collagen gel in each insert. The rest of cellular collagen gel can be used for gel control

▲ CRITICAL STEPs

- Transfer the cellular collagen in the insert within 2 h after pouring the acellular collagen
- If the cellular collagen gel does not gel within 5 h at 25°C, discard all constructs of that batch and restart after checking pH of buffer solution (intended pH value: 7.9-8.05)
- Incubate the dermal compartment for 24 h in the incubator

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Dermal Compartment | Day 02 (continued)

Materials

Materials for CGM (Table 2)

Step-to-step protocol

• Prepare CGM according to Table 2. For each construct approximately 80 mL are needed

| | | · · | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------|---|---------------|---------|-----------|-----|
| Aliquots for C | GM/CDM | | CGM | | | | |
| Ingredients | | V [mL] | Ingredients | ∦ [°C] | V [mL] | get | add |
| Adenine HCI H ₂ O | 155 mg Adenine HCI | 0.1 | Glass bottles | RT | | | |
| ("A") | H_2O in (10 mL 0.1N HCl+ | | DMEM+GlutaMax | 4 | 500 | | |
| | 40 mL PBS), (0.1N HCl: 1 mL 1N HCl | | DMEM/F-12 | 4 | 500 | | |
| | + 9 mL Aq. bidest.) | | Adenine HCI H ₂ O | - 20 | 0.1 | | |
| | stf (CA) | | Amphotericin B | - 20 | 1 | | |
| Amphotericin B ("AmB") | According to manufacturer | 1 | Choleratoxin | - 20 | 1 | | |
| Choleratoxin | 1 mg in 10 mL PBS | 1 | EGF | - 20 | 1 | | |
| ("CT") | Ting iii To iii E i Bo | • | Fetal Calf Serum | - 20 | 100 | | |
| EGF | 100 μg in 10 mL PBS | 1 | Gentamycin | RT | 1 | | |
| Fetal Calf Serum | Heat inactivation | 50 | Hydrocortisone | 4 | 4 | | |
| ("FCS") | 30 min, 56°C H ₂ O | | Insulin | - 20 | 0.5 | | |
| Hydrocortisone | 50 mg in 50 mL EtOH (100%), stf (PES) | 50 | N-e. amino acids | 4 | 5 | | |
| Insulin | 10 mg in 10 mL | 0.5 | Pen/Strep | - 20 | 10 | | |
| ("I") | 0.01N HCI (0.01N HCI: 0.1 mL 1N | | Transferrin | - 20 | 0.1 | | |
| | HCI+9.9 mL Aq.bidest.), | | Triiodothyronine | - 20 | 0.07 | | |
| Transferrin ("T") | stf (CA) 100 mg in 25 mL PBS | 0.1 | CDM | | | | |
| Triiodothyronine | 1 mg in 1 mL 1N NaOH; | 0.07 | CGM | 4 | 1124 | | |
| ("T3") | stf (CA), dilute with CGM 1:50 | 0.07 | Ascorbic acid | - 20 | 5 | | |
| Ascorbic acid | 100 mg in 10 mL PBS; | 1 | CaCl ₂ · 2H ₂ O | 4 | 2 | | |
| ASCUIDIC ACIU | stf (CA) (black tubes) | | Table 2: Prepara | ation of | CGM/CDM | VI I ⊵ft` | 1 |
| CaCl ₂ · 2H ₂ O | 1.47 g in 10 mL Aq. bidest., stf (CA) | 10 | Table 2: Preparation of CGM/CDM. Left) Aliquots. Right) Final mixture. stf sterile filtered | | | | |
| All others | Ready to use | | CA cellulose acetate, PES polyethersulfone | | | | |

▲ CRITICAL STEP

- Prevent the CGM from changing pH value by preparing aliquots of 250 mL
- Add 9.3 mL CGM outside the insert into each well
- Let the dermal compartment shrink until day 07

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Change CGM | Day 05

Materials

CGM

Step-to-step protocol

- Aspirate CGM from inside and from outside of the inserts
- Fill 2 mL CGM onto the dermal compartment and 9.3 mL CGM into each well (outside of the inserts)

▲ CRITICAL STEPs

- All liquids must be removed from construct surface without damaging the dermal compartment
- Make sure that the medium level does not exceed the level of the construct surface

Epidermal Compartment | Day 07

Materials

CGM, NHK, materials for cell subculture and cell count

Step-to-step protocol

Cultivate NHK to 60-80% confluence in the incubator; each construct requires 2-3x10⁶ NHK

| Carcinoma stage | SCC-12-ratio:NHK | SCC-12 (x10 ⁶) | NHK (x10 ⁶) |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| reconstructed normal human skin | 0:100 | 0.0 | 3.0 |
| reconstructed actinic keratosis | 10:100 | 0.3 | 2.7 |
| reconstructed invasive cSCC | 50:100 | 1.0 | 2.0 |

Table 3 Composition of epidermal compartments.

- Aspirate CGM from inside and from outside of the inserts
- Fill 9.3 mL CGM into each well

▲ CRITICAL STEPs

- All liquids must be removed from construct surface without damaging the dermal compartment
- Make sure that the medium level does not exceed the level of the construct surface
- Trypsinize NHK. Determine the NHK count, then centrifuge at 130 g for 5 min at 25°C. Wash the cell pellet with PBS, centrifuge again at 130 g for 5 min at 25°C, discard the supernatant and keep the pellet on ice for not longer than 30 min
- Resuspend the NHK pellet in KGM and gently pipette the cell suspension (total volume per model = 100 μL) onto the dermal compartment

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Co-culture with SCC-12 cells | Day 08

Materials

CGM, SCC-12 cells, materials for cell subculture and cell count

Step-to-step protocol

Aspirate KGM from the surface of the construct

▲ CRITICAL STEPs

- All liquids must be removed from construct surface without damaging the construct
- Trypsinize SCC-12 cells 24 h after NHK seeding. Determine the SCC-12 cell count, then centrifuge at 130 g for 5 min at 25°C. Wash the cell pellet with PBS, centrifuge again at 130 g for 5 min at 25°C, discard the supernatant and keep the pellet chilled for not longer than 30 min
- Re-suspend the SCC-12 pellet in CGM and gently pipette the cell suspension (total volume per model = 100 μL) onto the construct

Airlift | Day 09

Materials

CDM

Step-to-step protocol

- Aspirate CGM from the surface of the construct and outside of the insert
- Fill 9.3 mL CDM into each well (outside of the inserts)

▲ CRITICAL STEPs

- All liquids must be removed from construct surface without damaging the dermal compartment
- Make sure that the medium level does not exceed the level of the construct surface
- Change CDM 3 times a week

Application of test substances | Days 17, 19, 21

Materials

CDM, test substance

Step-to-step protocol

- Collect CDM, change CDM; apply 20 μL test substance homogenously per construct
- Cultivate constructs for 48 hours, collect CDM, and change CDM
 Apply 20 μL (10 μL/cm²) test substance homogenously onto each construct
- Cultivate constructs for 48 hours, collect CDM, and change CDM
 Apply 20 μL (10 μL/cm²) test substance homogenously onto each construct
- Cultivate constructs for 48 hours and then collect CDM

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HISTOLOGICAL EVALUATION

Cryo sections | Day 23

Materials

Cryo mold, forceps, liquid nitrogen, scalpel, tissue freezing medium, ice-cold acetone Step-to-step protocol

- Prepare cryo mold with freezing medium
- Cut the construct off the insert by taking the insert out of the deep-6-well-plate. Cut the insert membrane off the insert using a scalpel. Then place the construct and the insert membrane on a flat surface. Separate the construct from the insert membrane using forceps
- Place the construct into the freezing medium, cover the construct with tissue freezing medium;
 snap-freeze the construct in liquid nitrogen until it becomes a solid block

▲ CRITICAL STEPs

- Do not let the construct dry
- Cut each construct into halves and use 2 cryo molds per construct
- Avoid air-bubbles in the freezing medium and floating of the construct
- Snap-freeze construct on the surface of liquid nitrogen; do not submerse it
- Avoid freeze-thaw-cycles during histological evaluation
- Avoid storage of frozen constructs longer than 3 months
- Store cryo blocks at -80°C
- Cut cryo blocks using a cryotome. Use the trim (20-50 μ m) to cut the clutter. Then cut the construct into slices of 5 (or 7) μ m
- Fix the slices with ice-cold acetone; therefore, submerse slices (slides) in ice-cold acetone for 10 min and let the acetone vapor for 30 min at room temperature

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Paraffin sections | Day 23

Materials

DeWax[™], Embedding cassette (labelled), ethanol, metal base molds for paraffinization, paraffin, scalpel

Step-to-step protocol

- Cut the construct off the insert by taking the insert out of the deep-6-well-plate. Cut the insert membrane off the insert using a scalpel. Then place the construct and the insert membrane on a flat surface. Separate the construct from the insert membrane using forceps
- Place the inserts into the labelled cages and immerse the construct overnight in formalin at 2-8°C
- Dehydrate the construct according to Table 4

| Solution | Ethanol absolute (mL) | Aq. bidest. (mL) | Duration (minutes) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Aq. bidest. | 0 | 506 | 30 |
| Ethanol 50% (m/m) | 218 | 288 | 20 |
| Ethanol 70% (m/m) | 319 | 187 | 20 |
| Ethanol 80% (m/m) | 374 | 132 | 20 |
| Ethanol 90% (m/m) | 435 | 71 | 20 |
| Ethanol 96% (m/m) | 476 | 30 | 20 |
| Ethanol 96% (m/m) | 476 | 30 | 20 |
| Ethanol absolute - I | 506 | 0 | 20 |
| Ethanol absolute - II | 506 | 0 | 20 |
| Roti-Histol - I | 0 | 0 | 30 |
| Roti-Histol - II | 0 | 0 | 30 |

Table 4 Solutions for construct dehydration.

(6)
$$V_{EtOHabsolute} = \frac{m_{EtOHabsolute} \cdot \omega_{EtOH}}{\varrho_{EtOHabsolute}}$$
 (7) $\varrho_{EtOHabsolute} = 0.79074$

- Immerse the constructs into paraffin for 90 minutes and into a second paraffin bath for 60 min
- Place the construct in metal base molds for paraffinization and embed the constructs into paraffin
- Freeze the paraffin blocks at -12°C for at least 15 min
- Store paraffin blocks at 2-8°C
- Cut paraffin blocks using a microtome; use the trim (20-50 μm) to cut the clutter. Then cut the construct into slices of 5-10 μm
- Remove the paraffin by immersing the slices into 2 DeWaxTM solutions for 5 min each;
 carefully wash the slides with tap water

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TROUBLE SHOOTING

| Problem | Solution |
|--|--|
| Fetal calf serum flocculates after heat inactivation | Discard FCS. Use fresh FCS and mix more carefully |
| Collagen does not polymerize within 7 h | Discard dermal compartment. Prepare fresh NaOH solution and use fresh HEPES buffer |
| Air bubbles underneath the insert | Release any air bubbles trapped underneath the insert |
| Liquids on the construct surface | Remove any liquids from the construct surface. Record affected constructs in the lot documentation |
| Disrupted construct slices | Change cut angle, use new blade, or alter the cutting temperature |

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LOT DOCUMENTATION

| Model Lot cSCC, 5 th generation <i>yy</i> - | | neration <i>yy-</i> | Project | | | |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Production | name | | Recipient | name | | |
| NHDF Donor Passage | уу-хх | р | Goals | | | |
| NHK Donor Passage | уу-хх | р | | | | |
| Kokultur Zelllinie Passage | SCC-12 | р | No. of construct | s | | |
| Tray Insert | deep-6-well | 0.4 µm pores | Remarks | | | |
| $CGM\ V_{out}\ \ V_{in}$ | ≤9.3 mL 2 m | nL | | | | |
| NHDF- Suspension | 0.8x10 ⁶ in 37 | 7 μL FGM | | | | |
| NHK- Suspension | ≤3x10 ⁶ in 100 |) μL KGM | | | | |
| SCC-12 Suspension | ≤1x10 ⁶ in 10 | 0 μL CDM | | | | |
| NHK-seeding | day 07 | | Experiment - start | day xx | | |
| Airlift | day 08 | | Experiment - finish | day xx | | |
| SCC-12 co-culture | day 08 | | | | | |
| Schedule | | | | | | |
| Date Mo | Tu | We | Th | Fr | Sa | Su |
| Day | | | de Conserva | -l | | |
| Task | | | defreeze NHDF | changeFGM NHDF | | |
| Date Mo | Tu | We | Th | Fr | Sa | Su |
| Day | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Task | changeF NHDF | | Dermal com- partment | change CGM | | |
| Date Mo | Tu | We | Th | Fr | Sa | Su |
| Day 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Task chang | | NHK seeding | SCC-12 co-culture | change CDM | | |
| Date Mo | Tu | We | Th | Fr | Sa | Su |
| Day 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| Task chang CDN | | | change CDM | | CI 1 st trea | OM atment |
| Date Mo | Tu | We | Th | Fr | Sa | Su |
| Day 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | | |
| Task change0 2 nd treatr | CDM ment | changeCD 3 rd treatme | M nt | snap- freezing | | |

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LOT DOCUMENTATION (continued)

| | Co-culture | Applied | Substance | Cryo/paraffin | Evaluation |
|----|------------|---------|-----------|---------------|------------|
| 1 | | | | | |
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CELL LINE AUTHENTICATION REPORT

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Human Cell Line Authentication Report

 Report ID
 415
 Order ID
 493

 Report Date
 01.11.2013
 Order Date
 23.10.2013

 Purchase No.
 510190F

Dear Monika Schäfer-Korting,

Many thanks for your order. The Multiplex human Cell line Authentication Test (MCA) was performed as described at www.multiplexion.de. Please find below the results.

Best regards,

Dr. Markus Schmitt

| Information from Customer | | | | | | | Summary | | | |
|---------------------------|--------|-------|--------|----|-----|----|---------|----|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Sample ID | | | | | | | | | | |
| 668 | SCC-12 | other | SCC-12 | ok | CC7 | 94 | no | no | unique sequence | AATTAAAAATAWAAAAWTAAAATTT |

Legend:

Genotype Code

DNA quality: ok, good DNA quality detected; invalid, DNA was absent or degraded or from non-human species

Identity (%) Identity of submitted cell line to best hit of data base, identical: 96% and above, not indentical: <96%

Present in database? indicates whether submitted cell line is included in MCA data base. If your cell line is not included, than no identity confirmation can be made.

Cross-contamination? indicates whether detected cell line is cross-contaminated by additional cells from another human cell line, the contaminating cell line cannot be specifically identified

Identity confirmed? "identity confirmed", indicates whether identity was confirmed by MCA (96% and above); "identity not confirmed", submitted cell line is present in data base, but the genotype code is different than expected; "unique sequence", cell line is not present in data base and shows a genotype code that is not related to any cell line included in the data base; "false, match with known cell line", cell line is not present in data base base but shows a genotype code that is identical to a cell line included in the data base

48-letter code for 24 SNP locations; W, uncertain signal; N, no call

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CELL CONTAMINATION TEST REPORT

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Multiplex cell Contamination Test Report

Report ID 415 Order ID 493

Report Date 01.11.2013 Order Date 23.10.2013 Purchase No. 510190F

Dear Monika Schäfer-Korting,

Many thanks for your order. The multiplex cell contamination test was conducted for the following contaminations: Mycoplasma, Squirrel Monkey Retrovirus, Epstein-Barr-Virus, Human-, Macaca cynomolgus-, Mouse-, Rat-, Chinese hamster-, Syrian hamster, Feline-, Canine-, Rabbit-, Guinea pig and Drosophila cells. DNA Quality was determined by an internal DNA quality control. Positive und negative controls were included to monitor PCR performance. Empty "Result" cells indicate the absence of contaminations tested for.

Best regards,

Dr. Markus Schmitt

| Information from Customer | | | | | | Results | |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|---------|---------|------------|---------|
| Sample ID | Cell line name | Reported Species | DNA quality | Species | Viruses | Mycoplasma | Summary |
| 983 | SCC-12 | Human | positive | Human, | | | clean |

Legend:

DNA quality: "positive", good DNA quality detected; "QC failed", DNA was absent or degraded.

Species: If identical to "Reported Species", then species is confirmed,

If not identical, then contamination with other species detected as described.

Viruses: "SMRV", Env and Gag DNA sequences detected. Cell line should be discarded or used in S2/L2 only. "EBV", cell line is positive for

Epstein-Barr-Virus. Please contact your biosafety officer for further information.

"Mycoplasma spec.", cell line is contaminated by Mycoplasma. Mycoplasma species is indicated. Cell line should be discarded or Mycoplasma:

treated with antibiotics. Please contact your biosafety officer in the case of contaminations with pathogenic M. hominis, M.

genitalium or M nneumoniae for further information

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