SOP: Propagation of GM12870

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Ordering Information

GM12870 cells are ordered from Coriell Cell Repositories. Proliferating cells are shipped in a T25 flask with 10–20mL of media.

To order starter cultures:

Name/Catalog #: GM12870 (Male B-Lymphocyte Utah Pedigree 1459 Repository Linkage Family)

Notes:

This EBV-transformed cell line grows in suspension and should be maintained at a density between $2x10^5$ cells/mL and $1x10^6$ cells/mL.

Materials List

- 1. RPMI 1640 with 2mM L-glutamine (Cellgro, Cat# 10-040-CM)
- 2. Characterized Fetal Bovine Serum (HyClone, Cat# SH-30071-03)
- 3. T225 culture flasks
- 4. Graduated serological pipets (1, 5, 10, 25, 50mL)
- 5. Penicillin-Streptomycin Solution, 200X (Cellgro, Cat# 30-001-CI)
- 6. Phosphate Buffered Saline (1X PBS) (Cellgro, Cat# 21-040-CM)
- 7. Freezing medium (growth medium containing 6% DMSO)
- 8. DMSO, Hybri-Max (Sigma-Aldrich, Cat# D2650)
- 9. Cryovials (Nunc, Cat# 368632)
- 10. Cryo 1°C Freezing Container (Nalgene, Cat# 5100-0001)
- 11. Eppendorf Centrifuge 5810R
- 12. Revco UltimaII -80°C Freezer
- 13. Thermolyne Locator 4 Liquid Nitrogen Freezer
- 14. Hemocytometer
- 15. Micropipet w/ P20 tips
- 16. Microscope

Growth Medium for GM12870

RPMI 1640 with 2mM L-glutamine 15% Characterized FBS Pen-Strep (1X)

Procedure

A. Receipt of Proliferating Cells and Generation of Seed Stocks

- 1) Equilibrate unopened T25 flask overnight in 37°C, 5% CO₂ humidified incubator to allow cells to recover.
- 2) Cells should be counted with a hemocytometer the next day and diluted to achieve a cell density between 2x10⁵ cells/mL and 5x10⁵ cells/mL.

- 3) Cells should be incubated in upright flasks with vented caps.
- 4) Upon reaching the desired number of cells, the cells should be pelleted at 500 x g (4°C) for 5 minutes, the cell pellet rinsed with 1X PBS, and resuspended in freezing medium.
- 5) Cells are dispensed into cryovials (2 million cells per 1mL aliquot) and frozen in a -80°C isopropanol cryo-freezing container overnight.
- 6) Cryovials are transferred the next day to liquid nitrogen freezer for long-term storage.

B. Sub-culture and Maintenance

- 1) Take cell counts with a hemocytometer every 48 hours to maintain the culture at a cell density between $2x10^5$ and $1x10^6$ cells/mL.
- 2) Add fresh warm medium when appropriate to maintain cell density and expand culture to desired number of cells. Splitting can be performed by centrifuging cells at 500 x g for 5 minutes (4°C), aspirating spent growth medium, and rinsing cell pellet in sterile 1X PBS. Cells should then be resuspended in fresh growth medium to achieve a density between 2x10⁵ and 5x10⁵ cells/mL.
- 3) Record each subculture event as a passage.

C. Harvest

- 1) Passage cells until the desired number of cells is reached.
- 2) Pellet cells and rinse with 1X PBS as described above in "Sub-culture and Maintenance".
- 3) Examine viability using Trypan blue staining (SOP TP-7).