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Coating coverslips for cell culture

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ABSTRACT

Coated cover-slips provide a nourishing adherent surface for cell culture. This protocol provides step by step instruction on how to coat coverslips for cell culture.

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Poly L-Lysine / Poly D-Lysine coating

- 1 Precoat the coverslips with poly-L-lysine (P5899) or poly-D-lysine (P7280) at 100 μg/ml.
- This is incubated for 30 minutes or more at room temperature. The coverslips are washed



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with sterile water and allowed to dry.
3 They can be stored at room temperature until ready to use (up to 1 month).
Day before culturing: Laminin coating
4 Coverslips are then coated with 30 - 50 μl of laminin (50 μg/ml) which has been warmed. This is prepared the day before culturing of cells.
5 Incubate overnight in a humidified 37°C, 5% CO2 incubator or at 37 °C for 30 minutes.
6 Remove excess laminin and rinse with PBS twice. Alternatively, wash with DME (50 μL) twice.
7 Add the cells to the coverslips/slides and culture as needed.