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## Splitting Adherent Cell Lines

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### DISCLAIMER

Timing for trypsin treatment and following splits may need to be adjusted based on the different cell types considering how adhesive they are and their growth rate.

### ABSTRACT

This protocol describes how to split and maintain adherent cell lines in culture. Examples of these cells are: A549 cells, LLCMK2 cells, and MDCK cells.

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**Protocol status:** Working  
We use this protocol and it's working

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MATERIALS

Tissue Culture Medium:

DMEM	500ml
Gentamicin	500ul (50ng/ml)
NaPy	5.0ml (1mM)
L-Glutamine	5.5ml (2mM)
FBS	50ml

Filter through a 0.2um filter

INFECTION MEDIUM - SeV

DMEM	500ml
Pen/Stp	5.0ml
BSA 35%	5.0ml
NaHCO3 5%	12ml

INFECTION MEDIUM - RSV (2% FBS)

DMEM	500ml
Gentamicin	500ul (50ng/ml)
NaPy	5.0ml (1mM)
L-Glutamine	5.5ml (2mM)
FBS	10ml

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  1. Wash flask 2x with sterile PBS.
  2. Add 2mL of trypsin/T75. Incubate at 37 oC for 2-3 mins or until cells are detached from the flask.
  3. Add 8mL of cell culture media and pipette up and down. Transfer all the media to a 15mL tube.
  4. Centrifuge at 1200 rpm for 5 min.
  5. Add 2ml of cell suspension to T75 flask, then add 10ml Tissue Culture Medium. The cell will be ready for next split two days later.