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Production of Neuron-Preferential Lentiviral Vectors Protocol

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ABSTRACT

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Experiment Summary

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Main Reagents

- 2 (1) Human embryonic kidney (HEK) 293T cells
 - (2) Plasmids: lentiviral transfer vector
 - (3) Lentiviral packaging vectors: Packaging mix containing pLP1,pLP2(pRev),pLP/VSVG
 - (4) Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (DMEM)
 - (5) Penicillin-streptomycin-glutamine (100x)
 - (6) Phosphate-buffered saline (PBS)
 - (7) FBS
 - (8) Polybrene
 - (9) 2.5 M CaCl₂
 - (10) 2x HEPES-buffer (280 mM NaCl, 50 mM HEPES, 1.5 mM Na₂HPO₄[pH7.05])

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