

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO  
BIOLOGICAL AGENTS REGISTRY FORM**  
Approved Biohazards Subcommittee: October 14, 2010  
Biosafety Website: [www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/)

This form must be completed by each Principal Investigator holding a grant administered by the University of Western Ontario (UWO) or in charge of a laboratory/facility where the use of Level 1, 2 or 3 biological agents is described in the laboratory or animal work proposed. The form must also be completed if any work is proposed involving animals carrying zoonotic agents infectious to humans or involving plants, fungi, or insects that require Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) or Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) permits.

This form must be updated at least every 3 years or when there are changes to the biological agents being used.

Containment Levels will be established in accordance with Laboratory Biosafety Guidelines, 3rd edition, 2004, Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) or Containment Standards for Veterinary Facilities, 1<sup>st</sup> edition 1996, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA).

Completed forms are to be returned to Occupational Health and Safety, (OHS), (Support Services Building, Room 4190) for distribution to the Biohazards Subcommittee. For questions regarding this form, please contact the Biosafety Officer at extension 81135 or [biosafety@uwo.ca](mailto:biosafety@uwo.ca). If there are changes to the information on this form (excluding grant title and funding agencies), contact Occupational Health and Safety for a modification form. See website: [www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/)

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Location of experimental work to be carried out: Building(s) BGS Room(s) 3082

\*For work being performed at Institutions affiliated with the University of Western Ontario, the Safety Officer for the Institution where experiments will take place must sign the form prior to its being sent to the University of Western Ontario Biosafety Officer (See Section 15.0, Approvals).

FUNDING AGENCY/AGENCIES: NSERC  
GRANT TITLE(S): Subcellular analysis of the disulfide proteome in mammalian cells

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**Please explain the biological agents and/or biohazardous substances used and how they will be stored, used and disposed of. Projects without this description will not be reviewed.**

My lab uses Level 1 and 2 cultured cells derived from rodents and humans. These cells are used to model various aspects of human disease and to assess biochemical functions associated with disease. These cells are stored in freezing media in my -80 degree freezer and in a liquid nitrogen storage vat in my lab.

All plasticware that is used for culturing these cells is autoclaved before disposal. All used media collected is treated with bleach overnight before disposal down the sink.

My lab uses DH5-alpha bacteria for propagating plasmid DNA. These cells are stored in my -80 degree freezer. All culture plates and media are autoclaved before disposal.

**Please include a one page research summary or teaching protocol.**

Redox Regulation of Proteins Involved in Ageing and Disease

Reactive oxygen species (ROS) are involved in a variety of different cellular processes including cytokine mediated signalling, apoptosis, cell proliferation and ageing. Although ROS have traditionally been perceived as agents that cause non-specific damage to biological macromolecules it is now known that ROS selectively modify a wide spectrum of proteins. ROS mediated oxidation of protein cysteine sulfhydryl groups (Cys-SH) can lead to the formation of covalent disulfide bonds (Cys-S-S-Cys). Although disulfide bond formation in eukaryotes has generally been studied in the context of cell surface or secreted proteins that fold within the endoplasmic reticulum, recent studies suggest that disulfide bond formation occurs within multiple subcellular environments including the cytosol, mitochondria and the nucleus. However, the effect of disulfide bonding on the function, stability and intracellular transport of many redox sensitive proteins is just now being explored. In addition, cells that primarily use glycolysis to meet cellular energy requirements, exhibit decreased ROS production and resistance to apoptosis. Research in my lab focuses on the effect of altered metabolism and associated redox modifications of proteins implicated in several age-related disorders, including Huntington's disease (HD), Alzheimer's disease (AD) and cancer. Current projects include:

- 1) Identification of redox sensitive proteins in Huntington's disease cell models . Oxidative stress has been implicated in HD, an inherited neurodegenerative disorder characterized by the intracellular accumulation of a polyglutamine containing protein (Huntingtin) and the progressive loss of striatal neurons. Preliminary studies in my lab have shown that overexpression of pathogenic Huntingtin in nerve cell lines promotes oxidative stress and increased disulfide bonding of cytoplasmic, mitochondrial and nuclear proteins. The redox status of these proteins, many of which have antioxidant functions, are currently being characterized in different HD cell models. In addition, several thiol-based antioxidant compounds are being tested for their ability to prevent mutant Huntingtin induced disulfide bond formation and toxicity.
- 2) Exploring the role of increased glycolytic metabolism in amyloid-beta resistant nerve cells. Accumulation of the amyloid-beta peptide within the brain tissue of AD patients is strongly linked to oxidative stress and neurotoxicity. Nerve cell lines that are resistant to amyloid-beta toxicity display enhanced glycolysis. Projects in my lab examine different glycolytic enzymes and their ability to influence cellular antioxidant defence and resistance to amyloid-beta. Understanding the role that glycolysis plays in amyloid-beta resistant nerve cells can provide novel insight into AD pathogenesis.
- 3) Evaluating the effect of elevated glycolysis on the disulfide proteome of breast cancer cells. Breast cancer cells exhibit elevated levels of glycolytic enzymes and the increased production of lactic acid compared to non-transformed cells. This altered metabolism, strongly associated with cancer, also has profound effects on the redox

## 1.0 Microorganisms

1.1 Does your work involve the use of biological agents?  YES  NO  
 (non-pathogenic and pathogenic biological agents including but not limited to bacteria and other microorganisms, viruses, prions, parasites or pathogens of plant or animal origin)? If no, please proceed to Section 2.0

Do you use microorganisms that require a permit from the CFIA?  YES  NO

If YES, please give the name of the species. \_\_\_\_\_

What is the origin of the microorganism(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the risk (if any) of escape and how this will be mitigated:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach the CFIA permit.

Please describe any CFIA permit conditions:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

1.2 Please complete the table below:

Name of Biological Agent(s)* (Be specific)	Is it known to be a human pathogen? YES/NO	Is it known to be an animal pathogen? YES/NO	Is it known to be a zoonotic agent? YES/NO	Maximum quantity to be cultured at one time? (in Litres)	Source/Supplier	PHAC or CFIA Containment Level
DH5α bacteria	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	0.2L	Invitrogen	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
E. coli						<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
E. coli						<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
E. coli						<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> No			<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3

\*Please attach a Material Safety Data Sheet or equivalent from the supplier.

## 2.0 Cell Culture

2.1 Does your work involve the use of cell cultures?  YES  NO  
 If no, please proceed to Section 3.0

2.2 Please indicate the type of primary cells (i.e. derived from fresh tissue) that will be grown in culture:

Cell Type	Is this cell type used in your work?	Source of Primary Cell Culture Tissue	AUS Protocol Number
Human	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Not applicable
Rodent	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		
Non-human primate	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		
Other (specify)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		

2.3 Please indicate the type of established cells that will be grown in culture in:

Cell Type	Is this cell type used in your work?	Specific cell line(s)*	Containment Level of each cell line	Supplier / Source of cell line(s)
Human	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	U87-MG MDA-MB-435	Level 1	ATCC
Rodent	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	PC12, HT22, B12	Level 1/2	The Salk Institute
Non-human primate	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No			
Other (specify)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No			

\*Please attach a Material Safety Data Sheet or equivalent from the supplier. (For more information, see [www.atcc.org](http://www.atcc.org))

2.4 For above named cell types(s) indicate PHAC or CFIA containment level required  1  2  2+  3

### 3.0 Use of Human Source Materials

3.1 Does your work involve the use of human source materials?  YES  NO  
If no, please proceed to Section 4.0

3.2 Indicate in the table below the Human Source Material to be used.

Human Source Material	Source/Supplier /Company Name	Is Human Source Material Infected With An Infectious Agent? YES/UNKNOWN	Name of Infectious Agent (If applicable)	PHAC or CFIA Containment Level (Select one)
Human Blood (whole) or other Body Fluid		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Unknown		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Blood (fraction) or other Body Fluid		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Unknown		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Organs or Tissues (unpreserved)		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Unknown		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Organs or Tissues (preserved)		Not Applicable		Not Applicable

### 4.0 Genetically Modified Organisms and Cell lines

4.1 Will genetic modifications be made to the microorganisms, biological agents, or cells described in Sections 1.0 and 2.0?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to Section 5.0

E. coli		done?	<input type="radio"/> YES, complete table below <input type="radio"/> NO	
Strain	Plasmid	Gene Transfected	Describe the change that results from transformation or tranfection	
DH5 alpha	pcDNA3.3	Invitrogen	PDK1	Altered mitochondrial metabolism

\* Please attach a Material Data Sheet or equivalent if available.

\*\* Please attach a plasmid map.

4.3 Will genetic modification(s) of bacteria and/or cells involving viral vectors be made?

YES, complete table below  NO

Virus Used for Vector Construction	Vector(s) *	Source of Vector	Gene(s) Transduced	Describe the change that results from transduction

\* Please attach a Material Safety Data Sheet or equivalent.

4.4 Will genetic sequences from the following be involved?

- ◆ HIV  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ HTLV 1 or 2 or genes from any Level 1 or Level 2 pathogens  YES, specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ SV 40 Large T antigen  YES  NO
- ◆ E1A oncogene  YES  NO
- ◆ Known oncogenes  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Other human or animal pathogen and or their toxins  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO

4.5 Will virus be replication defective? N/A  YES  NO

4.6 Will virus be infectious to humans or animals? N/A  YES  NO

4.7 Will this be expected to increase the containment level required? N/A  YES  NO

### 5.0 Human Gene Therapy Trials

5.1 Will human clinical trials be conducted involving a biological agent?  YES  NO  
(including but not limited to microorganisms, viruses, prions, parasites or pathogens of plant or animal origin)  
If no, please proceed to Section 6.0

5.2 If YES, please specify which biological agent will be used: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please attach a full description of the biological agent.

5.2 Will the biological agent be able to replicate in the host?  YES  NO

5.3 How will the biological agent be administered? N/A

5.4 Please give the Health Care Facility where the clinical trial will be conducted: N/A

5.5 Has human ethics approval been obtained?  YES, number: N/A  NO  PENDING

### 6.0 Animal Experiments

6.1 Will live animals be used?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to section 7.0

6.2 Name of animal species to be used mus musculus

6.3 AUS protocol # To Follow

6.4 Will any of the agents listed in section 4.0 be used in live animals  YES, specify: \_\_\_\_\_  NO

6.5 Will the agent(s) be shed by the animal:  YES  NO, please justify:

\_\_\_\_\_

## 7.0 Use of Animal species with Zoonotic Hazards

7.1 Will any animals with zoonotic hazards or their organs, tissues, lavages or other body fluids including blood be used (see list below)?  YES  No If no, please proceed to section 8.0

7.2 Will live animals be used?  YES  No

7.3 If yes, please specify the animal(s) used:

- ◆ Pound source dogs  YES  NO
- ◆ Pound source cats  YES  NO
- ◆ Cattle, sheep or goats  YES, please specify species \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Non-human primates  YES, please specify species \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Wild caught animals  YES, please specify species & colony # \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Birds  YES, please specify species \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Others (wild or domestic)  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO

7.4 If no live animals are used, please specify the source of the specimens:

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## 8.0 Biological Toxins

8.1 Will toxins of biological origin be used?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to Section 9.0

8.2 If YES, please name the toxin(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Please attach information, such as a Material Safety Data Sheet, for the toxin(s) used.

8.3 What is the LD<sub>50</sub> (specify species) of the toxin \_\_\_\_\_

8.4 How much of the toxin is handled at one time\*? \_\_\_\_\_

8.5 How much of the toxin is stored\*? \_\_\_\_\_

8.6 Will any biological toxins be used in live animals?  YES, Please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_  NO

\*For information on biosecurity requirements, please see:

[http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/docs/healthandsafety/biosafety/Biosecurity\\_Requirements.pdf](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/docs/healthandsafety/biosafety/Biosecurity_Requirements.pdf)

## 9.0 Insects

9.1 Do you use insects?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to Section 10.0

9.2 If YES, please give the name of the species. \_\_\_\_\_

9.3 What is the origin of the insect? \_\_\_\_\_

9.4 What is the life stage of the insect? \_\_\_\_\_

9.5 What is your intention?  Initiate and maintain colony, give location: \_\_\_\_\_  
 "One-time" use, give location: \_\_\_\_\_

9.6 Please describe the risk (if any) of escape and how this will be mitigated:

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9.7 Do you use insects that require a permit from the CFIA permit?  YES  NO

If YES, Please attach the CFIA permit & describe any CFIA permit conditions:

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### 10.0 Plants

10.1 Do you use plants?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to Section 11.0

10.2 If YES, please give the name of the species. \_\_\_\_\_

10.3 What is the origin of the plant? \_\_\_\_\_

10.4 What is the form of the plant (seed, seedling, plant, tree...)? \_\_\_\_\_

10.5 What is your intention?  Grow and maintain a crop  "One-time" use

10.6 Do you do any modifications to the plant?  YES  NO

If yes, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

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10.7 Please describe the risk (if any) of loss of the material from the lab and how this will be mitigated:

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10.8 Is the CFIA permit attached?  YES  NO

If YES, Please attach the CFIA permit & describe any CFIA permit conditions:

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### 11.0 Import Requirements

11.1 Will any of the above agents be imported?  YES, please give country of origin USA  NO  
If no, please proceed to Section 12.0

11.2 Has an Import Permit been obtained from HC for human pathogens?  YES  NO

11.3 Has an import permit been obtained from CFIA for animal or plant pathogens?  YES  NO

11.4 Has the import permit been sent to OHS?  YES, please provide permit # \_\_\_\_\_  NO

### 12.0 Training Requirements for Personnel Named on Form

All personnel named on the above form who will be using any of the above named agents are required to attend the following training courses given by OHS:

- ◆ Biosafety
- ◆ Laboratory and Environmental/Waste Management Safety
- ◆ WHMIS (Western or equivalent)
- ◆ Employee Health and Safety Orientation

As the Principal Investigator, I have ensured that all of the personnel named on the form who will be using any of the biological agents in Sections 1.0 to 9.0 have been trained.

SIGNATURE

Robert Curving

**13.0 Containment Levels**

13.1 For the work described in sections 1.0 to 9.0, please indicate the highest HC or CFIA Containment Level required.  1  2  2+  3

13.2 Has the facility been certified by OHS for this level of containment?  
 YES, date of most recent biosafety inspection: Dec 14, 2010  
 NO, please certify  
 NOT REQUIRED for Level 1 containment

13.3 Please indicate permit number (not applicable for first time applicants): B10-UWO-0209

**14.0 Procedures to be Followed**

14.1 Please describe additional risk reduction measures will be taken beyond containment level 1, 2, 2+ or 3 measures, that are unique to this agent.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

14.2 Please outline what will be done if there is an exposure to the biological agents listed, such as a needlestick injury or an accidental splash:

\_\_\_\_\_ **See E-mail**  
\_\_\_\_\_

14.3 As the Principal Investigator, I will ensure that this project will follow the Western Biosafety Guidelines Procedures Manual for Containment Level 1 & 2 Laboratories (and the Level 3 Facilities Manual for Level 3 projects). I will ensure that UWO faculty, staff and students working in my laboratory have an up-to-date Hazard Communication Form, found at <http://www.wph.uwo.ca/>

SIGNATURE Robert C... Date: Apr 28, 2011

**15.0 Approvals**

1) UWO Biohazards Subcommittee: SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Safety Officer for the University of Western Ontario  
SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3) Safety Officer for Institution where experiments will take place (if not UWO):  
SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date (3 years from Approval): \_\_\_\_\_

Special Conditions of Approval:



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ATCC® Number: HTB-14™ [Order this Item](#) Price: \$279.00

Designations: U-87 MG

Depositors: J Ponten

Biosafety Level: 1

Shipped: frozen

Medium & Serum: [See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties: adherent

Organism: *Homo sapiens* (human)

Morphology: epithelial



Source: Organ: brain  
Tumor Stage: classified as grade IV as of 2007  
Disease: glioblastoma; astrocytoma

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Applications: transfection host ([Nucleofection technology from Lonza](#) Roche FuGENE® Transfection Reagents)

Tumorigenic: Yes

Antigen Expression: Blood Type A, Rh+

DNA Profile (STR): Amelogenin: X  
CSF1PO: 10,11  
D13S317: 8,11  
D7S820: 8,9  
D5S818: 11,12  
D16S539: 12  
vWA: 15,17  
THO1: 9,3  
TPOX: 8

Cytogenetic Analysis: This is a hypodiploid human cell line with the modal chromosome number of 44 occurring in 48% of cells. The rate of higher ploidy was 5.9%. Twelve markers were common to all cells, including der(1)t(1;3)(p22;q21), der(16)t(1;16)(p22;p12), del(9)(p13) and nine others. The marker der(1) had two copies in most cells. There was only one copy of normal X. N1, N6 and N9 were not found.

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<b>Isoenzymes:</b>	AK-1, 1 ES-D, 1 G6PD, B GLO-I, 1 Me-2, 1 PGM1, 2 PGM3, 1
<b>Age:</b>	44 years
<b>Gender:</b>	female
<b>Ethnicity:</b>	Caucasian
<b>Comments:</b>	This is one of a number of cell lines derived from malignant gliomas (see also ATCC <a href="#">HTB-15</a> and ATCC <a href="#">HTB-16</a> ) by J. Ponten and associates from 1966 to 1969. Mycoplasma contamination was eliminated in September 1975.
<b>Propagation:</b>	<b>ATCC complete growth medium:</b> The base medium for this cell line is ATCC-formulated Eagle's Minimum Essential Medium, Catalog No. 30-2003. To make the complete growth medium, add the following components to the base medium: fetal bovine serum to a final concentration of 10%. <b>Atmosphere:</b> 5% CO <sub>2</sub> in air recommended <b>Temperature:</b> 37.0°C
<b>Subculturing:</b>	<b>Subcultivation Ratio:</b> A subcultivation ratio of 1:2 to 1:5 is recommended <b>Medium Renewal:</b> 2 to 3 times per week <b>Protocol:</b> Volumes used in this protocol are for 75 sq cm flasks; proportionally reduce or increase amount of dissociation medium for culture vessels of other sizes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove and discard culture medium.</li> <li>• Briefly rinse the cell layer with Ca<sup>++</sup>/Mg<sup>++</sup> free Dulbecco's phosphate-buffered saline (D-PBS) or 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin - 0.53 mM EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum which contains trypsin inhibitor.</li> <li>• Add 2.0 to 3.0 ml of Trypsin-EDTA solution to flask and observe cells under an inverted microscope until cell layer is dispersed (usually within 5 to 15 minutes). Note: To avoid clumping do not agitate the cells by hitting or shaking the flask while waiting for the cells to detach. Cells that are difficult to detach may be placed at 37C to facilitate dispersal.</li> <li>• Add 2.0 to 3.0 ml of complete growth medium and aspirate cells by gently pipetting</li> <li>• Resuspend the cell pellet in fresh growth medium. Add appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels.</li> <li>• Incubate cultures at 37C.</li> </ul>
<b>Preservation:</b>	Culture medium, 95%; DMSO, 5%
<b>Related Products:</b>	Recommended medium (without the additional supplements or serum described under ATCC Medium): <a href="#">ATCC 30-2003</a> recommended serum: <a href="#">ATCC 30-2020</a>
<b>References:</b>	22159: Beckman G, et al. G-6-PD and PGM phenotypes of 16 continuous human tumor cell lines. Evidence against cross-contamination and contamination by HeLa cells. Hum. Hered. 21: 238-241, 1971. PubMed: <a href="#">4332744</a> 22536: Fogh J, et al. Absence of HeLa cell contamination in 169 cell lines derived from human tumors. J. Natl. Cancer Inst. 58: 209-214, 1977. PubMed: <a href="#">833871</a> 22539: Fogh J, et al. One hundred and twenty-seven cultured human tumor cell lines producing tumors in nude mice. J. Natl. Cancer Inst. 59: 221-226, 1977. PubMed: <a href="#">327080</a> 23094: Olopade OI, et al. Molecular analysis of deletions of the short arm of chromosome 9 in human gliomas. Cancer Res. 52: 2523-2529, 1992. PubMed: <a href="#">1568221</a> 23128: Ponten J, Macintyre EH. Long term culture of normal and neoplastic human glia. Acta Pathol. Microbiol. Scand. 74: 465-486, 1968. PubMed: <a href="#">4313504</a> 32901: Li YM, et al. Molecular identity and cellular distribution of advanced glycation endproduct receptors: relationship of p60 to OST-48 and p90 to 80K-H membrane proteins. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 93: 11047-11052, 1996. PubMed: <a href="#">8855308</a> 16173472: Clark MJ, et al. U87MG decoded: The genomic sequence of a cytogenetically aberrant human cancer cell line. PLoS Genetics 6 (1) : e1000832, 2010.



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ATCC® Number: CRL-2914™ Order this Item *MDA-MB-435* Price: \$379.00

Designations: M4A4 *MDA-MB-435*

Depositors: D Tarin

Biosafety Level: 1

Shipped: frozen

Medium & Serum: [See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties: adherent

Organism: *Homo sapiens* (human)

Morphology: epithelial



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Cell Type: epithelial

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Isolation: Isolation date: 1992

Receptors: epidermal growth factor (EGF), expressed

Oncogene: c-myc; Ras; p53

Antigen Expression: CD44; Homo sapiens, expressed

DNA Profile (STR):  
Amelogenin: X  
CSF1PO: 11  
D13S317: 12  
D16S539: 13  
D5S818: 11,12  
D7S820: 8,10  
THO1: 6,7  
TPOX: 8,11  
vWA: 16,18

Age: 31

Gender: female

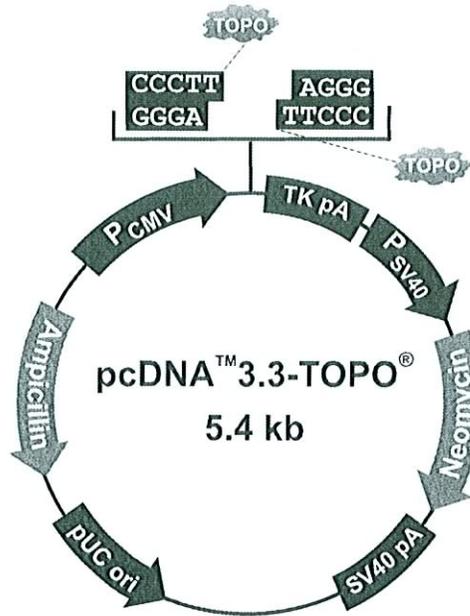
Ethnicity: Caucasian

<b>Comments:</b>	<p>The parental cell lines CRL-2914 (M4A4) and CRL-2918 (NM2C5) were derived from the human breast cancer cell line, <b>MDA-MB-435</b>. [PubMed: 7683291]. M4A4 is highly metastatic in immuno-deprived mice, while NM2C5 is weakly or virtually non-metastatic. These well characterized, tumorigenic human isogenic cell lines have dramatically opposite metastatic phenotypes and are ideal for metastatic studies. M4A4 LM3-4 CL 16 GFP (CRL-2917) cell line was derived from a third generation lung metastasis after inoculation of M4A4 GFP cells in a nude mouse mammary gland. The M4A4 GFP (CRL-2915) was developed by the transduction of the GFP gene into M4A4 (CRL-2914) cell line. One of the isolated cell lines, M4A4 LM3-2 GFP (CRL-2916) was derived from a second lung metastasis.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Recent studies have generated questions about the origin of the parent cell line, MDA-MB-435. Gene expression analysis of the cells produced microarrays in which MDA-MB-435 clustered with cell lines of melanoma origin instead of breast. Additional studies have since corroborated a melanocyte origin of MDA-MB-435, to which ATCC has responded by pursuing its own investigation into the identity of this cell line. The cell line to which MDA-MB-435 is reported to have been cross-contaminated with is the M14 melanoma line. [16173089] [16173090] [16173091] [16173092] [16173093]</p>
<b>Propagation:</b>	<p><b>ATCC complete growth medium:</b> The base medium for this cell line is ATCC-formulated Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium, Catalog No. 30-2002. To make the complete growth medium, add the following components to the base medium: fetal bovine serum to a final concentration of 10%.</p> <p><b>Atmosphere:</b> 5% CO<sub>2</sub> in air recommended</p> <p><b>Temperature:</b> 37.0°C</p>
<b>Subculturing:</b>	<p><b>Protocol:</b> To avoid phenotypic drift it is recommended to make frozen aliquots of the cells and use each aliquot for only 10 passages.</p> <p>Volumes used in this protocol are for 75 sq cm flasks; proportionally reduce or increase amount of dissociation medium for culture vessels of other sizes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove and discard culture medium.</li> <li>2. Briefly rinse the cell layer with Ca<sup>++</sup>/Mg<sup>++</sup> free Dulbecco's phosphate-buffered saline (D-PBS) or 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin - 0.53 mM EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum which contains trypsin inhibitor.</li> <li>3. Add 1.0 to 2.0 ml of Trypsin-EDTA solution to flask and observe cells under an inverted microscope until cell layer is dispersed (usually within 5 to 15 minutes). Note: To avoid clumping do not agitate the cells by hitting or shaking the flask while waiting for the cells to detach. Cells that are difficult to detach may be placed at 37C to facilitate dispersal.</li> <li>4. Add 6.0 to 8.0 ml of complete growth medium and aspirate cells by gently pipetting. Add appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels. An inoculum of 1 X 10<sup>(3)</sup> to 3 X 10<sup>(3)</sup> viable cells/sq. cm is recommended.</li> <li>5. Incubate cultures at 37C. We recommend that you maintain cultures at a cell concentration between 8 X 10<sup>(4)</sup> and 1 X 10<sup>(5)</sup> cells/sq. cm.</li> </ol> <p><b>Subcultivation Ratio:</b> A subcultivation ratio of 1:10 to 1:20 is recommended</p> <p><b>Medium Renewal:</b> 2 to 3 times a week</p>
<b>Preservation:</b>	<p><b>Freeze medium:</b> complete growth medium, 95%; DMSO, 5%</p> <p><b>Storage temperature:</b> liquid nitrogen vapor phase</p>
<b>Doubling Time:</b>	about 30 hours
<b>Related Products:</b>	<p>Recommended medium (without the additional supplements or serum described under ATCC Medium): <a href="#">ATCC 30-2002</a></p> <p>recommended serum: <a href="#">ATCC 30-2020</a></p> <p>0.25% (w/v) Trypsin - 0.53 mM EDTA in Hank' BSS (w/o Ca<sup>++</sup>, Mg<sup>++</sup>): <a href="#">ATCC 30-2101</a></p> <p>phosphate-buffered saline: <a href="#">ATCC 30-2200</a></p> <p>Cell culture tested DMSO: <a href="#">ATCC 4-X</a></p> <p>Erythrosin B vital stain solution: <a href="#">ATCC 30-2404</a></p> <p>Trypan Blue vital stain solution: <a href="#">ATCC 30-2402</a></p> <p>derived from same cell line: <a href="#">ATCC CRL-2915</a></p> <p>derived from same cell line: <a href="#">ATCC CRL-2918</a></p> <p>derived from same cell line: <a href="#">ATCC CRL-2919</a></p> <p>derived from same cell line: <a href="#">ATCC CRL-2916</a></p> <p>derived from same cell line: <a href="#">ATCC CRL-2917</a></p>

# Map and Features of pcDNA™ 3.3-TOPO®

## Map

The map below shows the elements of the pcDNA™ 3.3-TOPO® vector. The complete sequence is available for downloading from [www.invitrogen.com](http://www.invitrogen.com) or by contacting Technical Support (page 26).



### Comments for pcDNA™ 3.3-TOPO® 5407 nucleotides

CMV promoter:	47-726
CMV forward primer binding site:	584-604
TOPO® cloning site:	741
TK pA reverse primer binding site:	787-805
TK polyadenylation signal:	780-1051
f1 replication origin:	1087-1515
SV40 early promoter:	1520-1889
Neomycin Resistance gene:	1925-2719
SV40 polyadenylation signal:	2895-3025
pUC origin (c):	3408-4081
Ampicillin ( <i>bla</i> ) resistance gene (c):	4226-5086
<i>bla</i> promoter (c):	5087-5185

(c) = complementary strand

Plasmid(s)

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**1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING**

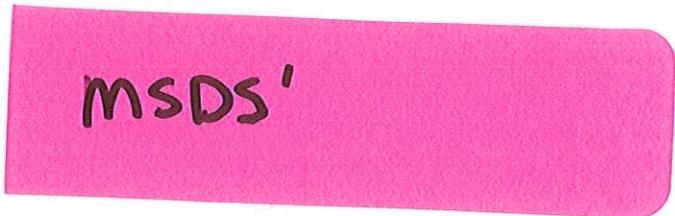
**Product code** 18265017  
**Product name** Subcloning Efficiency™ DH5alpha™ Competent Cells

**Company/Undertaking Identification**

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 5791 VAN ALLEN WAY  
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 760-603-7200

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 301-431-8585  
 Outside of the U.S. ++1-301-431-8585

For research use only

**2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

**Hazardous/Non-hazardous Components**

The product contains no substances which at their given concentration, are considered to be hazardous to health. We recommend handling all chemicals with caution.

**3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

**Emergency Overview**

The product contains no substances which at their given concentration, are considered to be hazardous to health

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Form  
Liquid

#### Principle Routes of Exposure/ Potential Health effects

Eyes  
Skin  
Inhalation  
Ingestion

No information available  
No information available  
No information available  
May be harmful if swallowed.

#### Specific effects

Carcinogenic effects  
Mutagenic effects  
Reproductive toxicity  
Sensitization

No information available  
No information available  
No information available  
No information available

#### Target Organ Effects

No information available

#### HMIS

Health	0
Flammability	0
Reactivity	0

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Skin contact  
Eye contact

Ingestion

Inhalation

Notes to physician

Wash off immediately with plenty of water. If symptoms persist, call a physician.  
Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water, also under the eyelids. If symptoms persist, call a physician.  
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If symptoms persist, call a physician.  
Move to fresh air. If symptoms persist, call a physician.  
Treat symptomatically.

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media  
Special protective equipment for firefighters

Dry chemical  
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions  
Methods for cleaning up

Use personal protective equipment  
Soak up with inert absorbent material.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling  
Storage

No special handling advice required  
Keep in properly labelled containers

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Occupational exposure controls

#### Exposure limits

Engineering measures                      Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas

#### Personal protective equipment

Respiratory Protection                      In case of insufficient ventilation wear suitable respiratory equipment

Hand protection

Protective gloves

Eye protection

Safety glasses with side-shields

Skin and body protection

Lightweight protective clothing.

Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice

Environmental exposure controls

Prevent product from entering drains.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### General Information

Form

Liquid

### Important Health Safety and Environmental Information

Boiling point/range	°C No data available	°F No data available
Melting point/range	°C No data available	°F No data available
Flash point	°C No data available	°F No data available
Autoignition temperature	°C No data available	°F No data available
Oxidizing properties	No information available	
Water solubility	No data available	

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability

Stable.

Materials to avoid

No information available

Hazardous decomposition products

No information available

Polymerization

Hazardous polymerisation does not occur.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity

#### Principle Routes of Exposure/

#### Potential Health effects

Eyes

No information available

Skin

No information available

Inhalation

No information available

Ingestion

May be harmful if swallowed.

**Specific effects**

Carcinogenic effects  
Mutagenic effects  
Reproductive toxicity  
Sensitization

**(Long Term Effects)**

No information available  
No information available  
No information available  
No information available

**Target Organ Effects**

No information available

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Ecotoxicity effects

No information available.

Mobility

No information available.

Biodegradation

Inherently biodegradable.

Bioaccumulation

Does not bioaccumulate.

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations

**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**IATA**

Proper shipping name

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations

Hazard Class

No information available

Subsidiary Class

No information available

Packing group

No information available

UN-No

No information available

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**International Inventories**

**U.S. Federal Regulations**

**SARA 313**

This product is not regulated by SARA.

**Clean Air Act, Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) (see 40 CFR 61)**

This product does not contain HAPs.

**U.S. State Regulations**

**California Proposition 65**

This product does not contain chemicals listed under Proposition 65

**WHMIS hazard class:**

Non-controlled



October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Ms. Shamila Survery / Mr. Michael Decosimo  
Cedarlane Laboratories Ltd  
4410 Paletta Court  
Burlington, Ontario L7L 5R2

By Facsimile: (289) 288-0020

**SUBJECT: Importation of *Escherichia coli* strains**

Dear Ms. Survery / Mr. Decosimo:

Our office received your query about the importation of *Escherichia coli* from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) located in Manassas, Virginia, United States. The following *Escherichia coli* strains are considered to be level 1 animal pathogens:

- |               |                    |           |                   |                |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|
| • 5K          | • CIE85            | • J52     | • MC4100 (MuLac)  | • U5/41        |
| • 58          | • DH1              | • J53     | • MG1655          | • W208         |
| • 58-161      | • DH10 GOLD        | • JC3272  | • MM294           | • W945         |
| • 679         | • DH10B            | • JC7661  | • MS101           | • W1485        |
| • 1532        | • DH5              | • JC9387  | • NC-7            | • W3104        |
| • AB284       | • DH5-alpha        | • JF1504  | • Nissle 1917     | • W3110        |
| • AB311       | • DP50             | • JF1508  | • One Shot STBL3  | • WA704        |
| • AB1157      | • DY145            | • JF1509  | • OP50            | • WP2          |
| • AB1206      | • DY380            | • JJ055   | • P678            | • X1854        |
| • AG1         | • E11              | • JM83    | • PA309           | • X2160T       |
| • B           | • EJ183            | • JM101   | • PK-5            | • X2541        |
| • BB4         | • EL250            | • JM109   | • PMC103          | • X2547T       |
| • BD792       | • EMG2             | • K12     | • PR13            | • XL1-BLUE     |
| • BL21        | • EPI 300          | • KC8     | • Rri             | • XL1-BLUE-MRF |
| • BL21 (DE3)  | • EZ10             | • KA802   | • RV308           | • XL0LR        |
| • BM25.8      | • FDA Seattle 1946 | • KAM32   | • S17-1λ -PIR     | • Y10          |
| • C           | • Fusion-Blue      | • KAM33   | • SCS1            | • Y1090 (1090) |
| • C-1a        | • H1443            | • KAM43   | • SMR10           | • YN2980       |
| • C-3000      | • HF4714           | • LE450   | • SOLR            | • W3110        |
| • C25         | • HB101            | • LE451   | • SuperchargeEZ10 | • WG1          |
| • C41 (DE3)   | • HS(PFAMP)R       | • LE452   | • SURE            | • WG439        |
| • C43 (DE3)   | • Hfr3000          | • MB408   | • TOP10           | • WG443        |
| • C600        | • Hfr3000 X74      | • MBX1928 | • TG1             | • WG445        |
| • Cavalli Hfr | • HMS174           | • MC1061  |                   |                |

The Office of Biohazard Containment and Safety (BCS) of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) only issues import permits for microorganisms that are pathogenic to animals, or parts of microorganisms that are pathogenic to animals. As the products listed above are not considered pathogenic to animals, the Office of BCS does not have any regulatory requirements for their importation.

Please note that other legislation may apply. You may wish to contact the Public Health Agency of Canada's (PHAC) Office of Laboratory Security at (613) 957-1779.

Note: Microorganisms pathogenic to animals and veterinary biologics require an import permit from the CFIA.

Sincerely,

Cinthia Labrie  
Head, Animal Pathogen Importation Program  
Office of Biohazard Containment & Safety

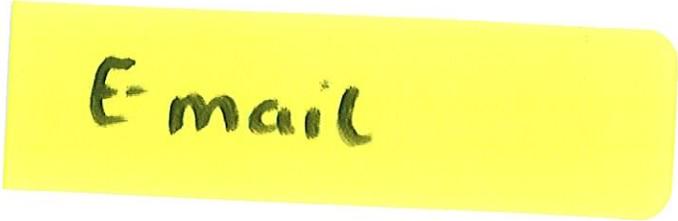
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**From:** Robert Cumming <rcummin5@uwo.ca>  
**Date:** Thu, 05 May 2011 10:37:11 -0400  
**To:** Jennifer Stanley <jstanle2@uwo.ca>

Hi Jennifer,

Please find attached the response protocol for accidental biological agent exposure in my lab.

Regards,

Rob



E-mail

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----- Original Message -----

From: Jennifer Stanley <jstanle2@uwo.ca>  
Date: Tuesday, May 3, 2011 4:13 pm  
Subject: Biological Agents Registry Form: Cumming lab  
To: Robert Cumming <rcummin5@uwo.ca>

> Dr. Cumming -  
>  
> Thanks for your recent submission.  
>  
> I noticed that the following question was not answered; please respond  
> by e-mail:  
> Question 14.2  
> Please outline what will be done if there is an exposure to the  
> biological agents listed, such as a needlestick injury or an  
> accidental splash.  
> Regards  
> Jennifer

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### Accidental biological agent exposure response

All needle stick injuries will be reported to UWO using the form found at:

<http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/forms/ohs/aiir.pdf>

- Completed and signed report will be submitted by supervisor to OHS within 24 hours of the incident

Procedures to be followed in the event of a needlestick/sharps injury

- Encourage bleeding of the injury site
- Wash site thoroughly with soap and water
- Cover area with sterile dressing if necessary
- seek a medical assessment if necessary

For accidental splashes on the skin, the site will be washed thoroughly with soap and water. Protective eyewear will be worn at all times in the lab. In the event of accidental eye exposure to a biological agent, the student/employee will make use of the eye wash station in my lab to thoroughly flush eyes with water.