

# Modification Form for Permit BIO-UWO-0017

## Permit Holder: Dale Laird

**PLEASE ATTACH A MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET OR EQUIVALENT FOR NEW BIOLOGICAL AGENTS.  
PLEASE ATTACH A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK THAT EXPLAINS THE BIOLOGICAL AGENTS USED AND HOW THEY WILL BE STORED, USED AND DISPOSED OF.**

**Approved Personnel**

**(Please stroke out any personnel to be removed)**

**Additional Personnel**

**(Please list additional personnel here)**

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Xiang-Qun Gong

Silvia Penuela

Cindy Shao

Michael Stewart

John Kelly

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**Please stroke out any approved Biological Agent(s) to be removed**

**Write additional Biological Agent(s) for approval below. Give the full name**

**Approved Microorganisms**

E. coli DH5 alpha, JM109, adenovirus, retrovirus

**Approved Primary and Established Cells**

Human (primary), skin biopsies, Rodent (primary), genetically modified mice, fibroblasts, Human (established), HELA, 293T, 293 Hek, TE 354.T, Hs 456.Sk, TE 353.Sk, CCD-1074Sk, SC.ZR75, Hs578T,

C816, C81-61, A2058  
A375, HEMA-LP, HEMM-LP  
HEMN-DP

**Approved Use of Human Source Material**

Human blood (whole) or other body fluid: ODDD Patients and relatives. Human Organs or Tissues (unpreserved): ODDD Patients and relatives. Human Organs or Tissues (preserved): ODDD Patients and relatives.

**Approved Genetic Modifications (Plasmids/Vectors)**

[plasmids]T-East, pcDNA3, pEGFP, pc DNA-mRFP, pTagRFP vector, CMV-R-GECO1, pRc/CMC, Tet-ON/off Cherry, pEBTet GFP. [vectors]: AP-2, pRNA-H1.1

**Approved Use of Animals**

mice

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**Approved Biological Toxin(s)**

cholera

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**Approved Gene Therapy**

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**Approved Plants and Insects**

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As the Principal Investigator, I have ensured that this project will follow the Western Biosafety Guidelines and 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.shs.uwo.ca/workplace/newposition.htm>

Signature of Permit Holder: 

Current Classification: 2 Containment Level for Added Biohazards: 2

Date of Last Biohazardous Agents Registry Form: May 2, 2012

Date of Last Modification (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

BioSafety Officer(s)\*:

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

Chair, Biohazards Subcommittee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dale Laird - Re: Grant Approvals for Work Involving Biohazardous Agents (Laird) - MODIFICATION**

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**From:** Jennifer Stanley <jstanle2@uwo.ca>  
**To:** Dale Laird <Dale.Laird@schulich.uwo.ca>  
**Date:** 27/07/2012 4:40 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Grant Approvals for Work Involving Biohazardous Agents (Laird) - MODIFICATION  
**CC:** Cindy Shao <Cindy.Shao@schulich.uwo.ca>, Silvia Penuela <Silvia.Penuela@...>  
**Attachments:** Laird\_July\_2012.pdf; Modification\_Information\_January\_2012.pdf

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Hi there

Please complete the attached modification form for the new cells.

Regards  
Jennifer

On 7/27/2012 1:15 PM, Dale Laird wrote:

Dear Jennifer,

Sorry for the delay in getting back to you. In addition to the 5 year CIHR grant you note below we also had a 3 year Canadian Cancer Society Research Innovation (CCSRI) grant called "**The novel channel protein Pannexin 1 as a viable target for melanoma treatment!**" approved to study melanocytes and melanomas, so I will cover off a few additions to our Biohazard registry form for both grants. Please add both grant titles to my registry.

For the CIHR grant, we are covered for all cells and reagents used in this study with the exception that you should add spontaneously immortalized dermal fibroblasts from humans and primary human keratinocytes that are immortalized by treating with a Rho Kinase inhibitor.

For the CCSRI grant please add the following cell lines.

From ATCC, we will be using the human melanoma cell lines ~~C8161~~, ~~C81-61~~, A2058 and A375. C8161 and C81-61 cell lines are isogenic lines. The C8161 is highly tumorigenic, poorly differentiated (unpigmented) and invasive. The C81-61 is not tumorigenic, is well differentiated (pigmented) and poorly invasive. Both the A2058 and A375 are tumorigenic.

From Cascade we will use the human primary epidermal melanocyte lines HEMa-LP, HEMn-LP and HEMn-DP. These lines are not transformed.

In keeping with past practices we treat all our cells lines under containment level 2 even though that maybe overkill for some lines.

Please let me know if you need any further information to add these changes.

Best regards,

Dale

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>>> Jennifer Stanley <[jstanle2@uwo.ca](mailto:jstanle2@uwo.ca)> 19/07/2012 5:01 PM >>>  
Re: Grant Approvals for Work Involving Biohazardous Agents

Hello there:

Congratulations (see below).

One or more of your grants for work involving biohazardous agents was recently approved by the Western University Biosafety Officer.

Please note that the biohazards of this research must be the same as the biohazards in your current, valid Biological Agents Registry Form.

If there are new biohazards in this new work, please let me know and we will modify your current form on file.

For more information, please see:

[http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/facultystaff/h\\_and\\_s/biosafety/biosafety\\_idx.htm](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/facultystaff/h_and_s/biosafety/biosafety_idx.htm)

Regards,  
Jennifer

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

**Subject:**Biohazard Certification Review Required: Work List Item

**Date:**Tue, 17 Jul 2012 08:10:15 -0400 (EDT)

**From:**PeopleSoft Grants Management <[psoft@uwo.ca](mailto:psoft@uwo.ca)>

**To:**[jstanle2@uwo.ca](mailto:jstanle2@uwo.ca)

The following Award has been accepted:

Sponsor : CANADIAN INSTITUTES HEALTH RESEARCH

Program : 00100

PI : Laird,Dale W

Award : R2791A16

Title : Role of Cx26 and Cx30 in skin aging

Funding from the agency has been approved for the above noted Award. The PI has indicated that the research will require Biohazard certification. Please confirm the certification information provided by the PI. This information will need to be completed before the Award is activated. Please follow the link to view the work list item and confirm the information supplied by the PI. To clear this item from you work list, check the box next to Certification OK

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damage. Finally, we will use a chick model system to determine how pannexin 1 causes tumor cells to migrate into the liver and lungs. Collectively, these studies will define how these unique channels promote cancers to form and become aggressive.

### **13. Public summary - impact and relevance statement**

Detail in 2-3 sentences (maximum of 1000 characters) how your studies will contribute to the reduction of cancer incidence rates for Canadians and/or cancer mortality rates for Canadians and/or enhanced quality of life for Canadians living with and beyond cancer.

Malignant melanoma is becoming more prevalent each year and although it accounts for only 4% of all skin cancers, it is responsible for 79% of skin cancer-related deaths. Consequently, melanomas that exit the skin and enter vital organs are one of the most deadly cancers. Clinically, this problem is exasperated by the shortage of clinical dermatologists in Canada leading to patients frequently being diagnosed with metastatic disease upon initial assessment of suspicious lesions. Our studies are designed to evaluate whether a channel, found in high levels on the surface of melanoma cells, may in fact be a suitable target for treatment. What makes this potential target an exciting idea is the fact that its channel activity can be blocked by small molecules making it a very suitable target for drug development. The current proposal will clearly establish if the protein, pannexin 1, that is used to build these novel channels would be a viable target for therapeutic drug development.

### **Abstract**

#### **14. Scientific abstract**

Provide a detailed summary of your research project (maximum of 4200 characters), stating the problem to be investigated, the objectives of the investigation, the methodology to be used, as well as the significance of the research to cancer.

#### **The novel channel-forming protein Pannexin 1 as a viable target for melanoma treatment**

Pannexins (Panx) are a novel family of three channel forming glycoproteins. Panx1 is ubiquitously expressed in mammalian organs and forms a functional channel for ATP release. Panx1-mediated ATP release upon activation by caspase cleavage was shown to act as a "find-me" signal for thymocyte clearance by macrophages in a recent Nature paper that we co-authored.

Malignant melanoma is one of the most deadly cancers accounting for ~79% of all skin cancer-related deaths. Analysis of a limited sample archive reported in the Human Protein Atlas revealed that Panx1 is up-regulated in ~70% of all human melanoma tumors samples. High levels of Panx1 were also found in lung, colorectal and non-melanoma skin cancer samples suggesting that Panx1 may be important in tumor onset and/or progression. Our preliminary data indicated that Panx1 is expressed at low levels in skin melanocytes and is highly upregulated in malignant melanoma cells. Panx1 levels were further found to be positively correlated with the aggressiveness of B16 isogenic melanoma cell lines. Upon Panx1-knockdown, melanoma cells resemble normal melanocytes in cell morphology and melanin production, exhibiting reduced migration and growth. *In vivo*, Panx1-depleted cells formed smaller melanoma tumors in the chick chorioallantoic membrane and had significantly reduced metastasis to the liver of the avian

embryos. Therefore, we propose that Panx1 is significantly up-regulated as melanocytes transform into melanomas and, moreover, a targeted knockdown of Panx1 can reduce the tumorigenic properties of melanomas. *We hypothesize that Panx1 acts as a proto-oncogene in melanocyte transformation and is a viable therapeutic target in the prevention of melanoma disease progression.*

**Our specific aims are:**

- 1) Determine at what stage of melanoma progression Panx1 is up-regulated in human melanomas and correlate these findings with clinical history and patient prognosis.
- 2) Examine if Panx1 has proto-oncogenic properties by establishing if it can transform melanocytes when over-expressed.
- 3) Elucidate if Panx1 up-regulation acts to recruit macrophages to the melanoma tumor sites to enhance growth and angiogenesis through ATP release *in vivo*.

**Aim 1:** We will use immunohistochemistry to assess Panx1 expression in normal human skin sections and biopsies from melanoma lesions at stages 0 to 4 through accessing the tumor bank at the London Health Science Centre and by analysing commercial tumor microarrays. We will compare Panx1 expression and tissue distribution in human samples with available clinical data to determine potential correlations with melanoma stage, prognosis and metastasis.

**Aim 2:** We will examine Panx1 expression in human and mouse melanocytes and melanoma cells. Through ectopic expression and shRNA knockdown we will engineer stable melanocyte and melanoma cell lines with high and low levels of Panx1 to evaluate phenotypic cell changes and the expression of markers of malignant melanoma. Susceptibility of Panx1-overexpressing melanocytes to transformation upon UV irradiation will be assessed and compared to controls. Finally, Panx1-null (in-house) and control mice will be subjected to UVB radiation to determine if they are less susceptible to the formation of melanomas.

**Aim 3:** We will correlate Panx1 expression levels and ATP release with melanoma tumor growth in xenograft chick chorioallantoic membrane assays and quantify metastasis using qPCR of the excised avian embryonic organs. Since Panx1 can form channels that release 'find-me' signals to macrophages, we will test if high levels of Panx1 can result in the recruitment of tumor-associated macrophages that promote tumor growth and angiogenesis.

Together, these studies will provide clear insights into whether Panx1 is a proto-oncogene that is up-regulated in melanocytes triggering their transformation into melanomas. Since tumorigenesis and metastasis can be inhibited by the knockdown of Panx1, this raises the possibility that Panx1 may be a viable target for the treatment of melanoma.

**15. Keywords/Technical terms**

Provide up to a maximum of ten specific keywords or descriptive technical terms/methodologies that best describe the scientific and technical aspects of your project. NOTE: Enter one keyword or technical term per line.

**16. Innovation statement**

The human connexin family of gap junction proteins consists of 21 members. Nearly all mammalian cells express two or more members of this family which are important in establishing the direct intercellular exchange of small metabolic and signaling molecules. The skin is a particularly complex organ as keratinocytes can express upwards of 9 distinct connexins. While connexins have been linked to epidermis development and differentiation in the young it is not known how connexin expression regulates the differentiation and function of aged skin. Intriguingly, over the past decade autosomal dominant and/or recessive mutations in connexin family members have been definitively linked to a plethora of skin diseases that typically emerge during aging. Due to putative compensatory mechanisms or inhibitory cross-talk between connexin mutants and co-expressed connexins, correlating connexin gene mutations to clinical presentation of disease during aging is complex and difficult to predict. Cx26 (*GJB2*) and Cx30 (*GJB6*) gene mutations are responsible for the vast majority of connexin-linked skin diseases that are undetected in the young and only emerge during aging. The focus of the present proposal is to understand the role of connexins in the aging epidermis and to elucidate the mechanisms associated with connexin mutations and skin diseases. *Thus, we hypothesize that connexins play an essential role in epidermal differentiation and function and that connexin mutants selectively and trans-dominantly inhibit other connexins co-expressed in the epidermis to cause disease in aging skin.*

**Our specific aims are to:**

- 1) Characterize the functional, dominant and trans-dominant properties of human skin disease-linked Cx26 and Cx30 mutants in reference cell models and keratinocytes.
- 2) Examine the effect of connexin mutants on epidermal differentiation and function in primary keratinocytes, organotypic epidermis, mutant mice and in human models of human skin disease.

In the first aim we will use molecular, fluorescent, biochemical and electrophysiological approaches to fully characterize the trafficking, assembly, turnover and function of untagged and GFP-tagged Cx26 and Cx30 mutants that are known to cause human skin disease in aging patients. Mutant connexins will be examined in gap junctional intercellular communication-deficient N2A and HeLa cells as well as in tissue relevant rat epidermal keratinocytes. Syndromic and non-syndromic autosomal dominant Cx26/Cx30 mutations will be further assessed for their ability to promote cell death. Stable cell lines will be generated and used to mimic *in vivo* expression levels of both wild-type and mutant connexins. Dominant and trans-dominant properties of the mutants will be assessed to determine possible effects on co-expressed connexins. This aim will determine the fundamental properties of disease-linked connexin mutants and their cross-talk potential with other connexin family members.

In the second aim we examine the effect of connexin mutants on epidermal differentiation and function in primary keratinocytes, organotypic epidermis, mutant mice and in human models of human skin disease. These studies will include primary cultures of keratinocytes from three novel heterozygous mutant mouse models (Cx26<sup>D66H</sup>, Cx26<sup>S17F</sup> and Cx30<sup>A88V</sup>), two of which are already known to mimic human skin disease. The skin of mutant expressing mice will also be evaluated for the onset and severity of disease during aging. Mutant expressing immortalized keratinocytes will be assessed in organotypic cultures for cell proliferation, differentiation and cell death by 3-dimensional microscopic analysis and for the expression of markers associated with epidermal differentiation. We will also investigate calcium spread amongst primary keratinocytes from mutant and control mice to determine if the mutant-induced changes in skin phenotypes are mechanistically linked to calcium exchange. Finally, we will obtain fresh human skin biopsies from patients of different ages harboring Cx26 or Cx30 mutations and unaffected relatives and establish primary keratinocyte cell lines. These human models of connexin-linked skin disease will be assessed for possible connexin-based compensatory mechanisms and their ability to proliferative, differentiate and undergo cell death.

The C816 and C81-61 are human melanomas that were originally obtained by Dr. Lynne Postovit from Dr. Mary Hendrix's laboratory. These cells were kindly provided to us by Dr. Postovit and do not have an MSDS sheets but will be used under Biosafety level 2 containment. Dr. Postovit has included these cells under her permit (0194).

## Cell Biology

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Price:

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Designations: A2058  
 Depositors: W Stetler-Stevenson  
Biosafety Level: 1  
 Shipped: frozen  
 Medium & Serum: [See Propagation](#)  
 Growth Properties: adherent  
 Organism: *Homo sapiens*  
 Morphology: epithelial

Source: **Organ:** skin  
**Disease:** melanoma  
**Derived from metastatic site:** lymph node

Permits/Forms: In addition to the [MTA](#) mentioned above, other [ATCC and/or regulatory permits](#) may be required for the transfer of this ATCC material. Anyone purchasing ATCC material is ultimately responsible for obtaining the permits. Please [click here](#) for information regarding the specific requirements for shipment to your location.

Applications: transfection host  
 Receptors: nerve growth factor (NGF), expressed  
 laminin, expressed  
 Tumorigenic: Yes

DNA Profile (STR): Amelogenin: X,Y  
 CSF1PO: 10,11  
 D13S317: 13,14  
 D16S539: 9,13  
 D5S818: 9,12  
 D7S820: 11  
 TH01: 7,9  
 TPOX: 8  
 vWA: 14,18

Age: 43 years adult  
 Gender: male  
 Ethnicity: Caucasian

Comments: This cell line is highly invasive and provides a source of cellular invasion associated proteins (such as the 72000 dalton type IV collagenase.  
 Tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase-2 [TIMP-2], autocrine motility factor and the 67000 dalton laminin receptor.

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Propagation:	<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> air, 95%; carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 5%</p> <p><b>Temperature:</b> 37.0°C</p> <p><b>Protocol:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Remove and discard culture medium.</li> <li>2. Briefly rinse the cell layer with 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin- 0.53 mM EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum that contains trypsin inhibitor.</li> <li>3. 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 37°C to facilitate dispersal.</li> </ol>
Subculturing:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Add 6.0 to 8.0 ml of complete growth medium and aspirate cells by gently pipetting.</li> <li>5. Add appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels.</li> <li>6. Incubate cultures at 37°C.</li> </ol>
Preservation:	<p><b>Subcultivation Ratio:</b> A subcultivation ratio of 1:6 to 1:12 is recommended</p> <p><b>Medium Renewal:</b> Every 2 to 3 days</p> <p><b>Freeze medium:</b> Complete growth medium supplemented with 5% (v/v) DMSO</p> <p><b>Storage temperature:</b> liquid nitrogen vapor phase</p>
Related Products:	<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>
References:	

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## Cell Line Designation: A-375 ATCC® Catalog No. CRL-1619

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### Cell Line Description

**Organism:** *Homo sapiens* (human)

**Tissue:** skin; malignant melanoma

**Age:** 54 years

**Gender:** female

**DNA profile (STR analysis):**

Amelogenin:X  
CSF1PO:11,12  
D13S317:11,14  
D16S539:9  
D5S818:12  
D7S820:9  
TH01:8  
TPOX:8,10  
vWA: 16,17

**Growth Properties:** adherent

**Tumorigenic:** yes, in immunosuppressed mice

**Depositors:** D. J. Giard

### Biosafety Level: 1

This cell line is not known to harbor an agent known to cause disease in healthy adult humans. Handle as a potentially biohazardous material under at least Biosafety Level 1 containment. This cell line has **NOT** been screened for Hepatitis B, human immunodeficiency viruses or other adventitious agents. Cell lines derived from primate lymphoid tissue may fall under the regulations of 29 CFR 1910.1030 Bloodborne Pathogens. ATCC recommends that appropriate safety procedures be used when handling all cell lines, especially those derived from human or other primate material. Detailed discussions of laboratory safety procedures are provided in **Laboratory Safety: Principles and Practice** (Fleming et al., 1995) the ATCC manual on quality control (Hay et al., 1992), the Journal of Tissue Culture Methods (Caputo, 1988), and in the U.S. Government Publication, *Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories*, 4th ed. HHS Publication No. (CDC) 93-8395. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Washington DC: U.S. Government Printing Office; 1999. The entire text is available online at [www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/biosfty/bmb14/bmb14toc.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/biosfty/bmb14/bmb14toc.htm)

### Use Restrictions

These cells are distributed for research purposes only. ATCC recommends that individuals contemplating commercial use of any cell line first contact the originating investigator to negotiate an agreement. Third party distribution of this cell line is discouraged, since this practice has resulted in the unintentional spreading of cell lines contaminated with inappropriate animal cells or microbes.

### Handling Procedure for Frozen Cells

To insure the highest level of viability, thaw the vial and initiate the culture as soon as possible upon receipt. If upon arrival, continued storage of the frozen culture is necessary, it should be stored in liquid nitrogen vapor phase and not at  $-70^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Storage at  $-70^{\circ}\text{C}$  will result in loss of viability.

**SAFETY PRECAUTION:** ATCC highly recommends that protective gloves and clothing always be used and a full face mask always be worn when handling frozen vials. It is important to note that some vials leak when submersed in liquid nitrogen and will slowly fill with liquid nitrogen. Upon thawing, the conversion of the liquid nitrogen back to its gas phase may result in the vessel exploding or blowing off its cap with dangerous force creating flying debris.

1. Thaw the vial by gentle agitation in a  $37^{\circ}\text{C}$  water bath. To reduce the possibility of contamination, keep the O-ring and cap out of the water. Thawing should be rapid (approximately 2 minutes).
2. Remove the vial from the water bath as soon as the contents are thawed, and decontaminate by dipping in or spraying with 70% ethanol. All of the operations from this point on should be carried out under strict aseptic conditions.
3. Transfer the vial contents to a  $75\text{ cm}^2$  tissue culture flask and dilute with the recommended complete culture medium (see the specific batch information for the recommended dilution ratio). It is important to avoid excessive alkalinity of the medium during recovery of the cells. It is suggested that, prior to the addition of the vial contents, the culture vessel containing the growth medium be placed into the incubator for at least 15 minutes to allow the medium to reach its normal pH (7.0 to 7.6).
4. Incubate the culture at  $37^{\circ}\text{C}$  in a suitable incubator. A 5%  $\text{CO}_2$  in air atmosphere is recommended if using the medium described on this product sheet.

If it is desired that the cryoprotective agent be removed immediately, or that a more concentrated cell suspension be obtained, centrifuge the cell suspension at approximately 125 xg for 5 to 10 minutes. Discard the supernatant and resuspend the cells with fresh growth medium at the dilution ratio recommended in the specific batch information.



## Product Information Sheet for CRL-1619

*Cells, a manual of Basic Technique* by R. Ian Freshney, 3rd edition, published by Alan R. Liss, N.Y., 1994.

### Handling Procedure for Flask Cultures

The flask was seeded with cells (see specific batch information) grown and completely filled with medium at ATCC to prevent loss of cells during shipping.

1. Upon receipt visually examine the culture for macroscopic evidence of any microbial contamination. Using an inverted microscope (preferably equipped with phase-contrast optics), carefully check for any evidence of microbial contamination. Also check to determine if the majority of cells are still attached to the bottom of the flask; during shipping the cultures are sometimes handled roughly and many of the cells often detach and become suspended in the culture medium (but are still viable).
2. **If the cells are still attached**, aseptically remove all but 5 to 10 ml of the shipping medium. The shipping medium can be saved for reuse. Incubate the cells at 37°C in a 5% CO<sub>2</sub> in air atmosphere until they are ready to be subcultured.
3. **If the cells are not attached**, aseptically remove the entire contents of the flask and centrifuge at 125 xg for 5 to 10 minutes. Remove shipping medium and save. Resuspend the pelleted cells in 10 ml of this medium and add to 25 cm<sup>2</sup> flask. Incubate at 37°C in a 5% CO<sub>2</sub> in air atmosphere until cells are ready to be subcultured.

### Subculturing Procedure

Volumes used in this protocol are for 75 cm<sup>2</sup> flask; proportionally reduce or increase amount of dissociation medium for culture vessels of other sizes.

1. Remove and discard culture medium.
2. Briefly rinse the cell layer with 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin-0.53mM) EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum which contains trypsin inhibitor.
3. 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 37°C to facilitate dispersal.

4. Add 6.0 to 8.0 ml of complete growth medium and aspirate cells by gently pipetting.
5. Add appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels.  
**Subcultivation Ratio:** 1:3 to 1:8
6. Incubate cultures at 37°C.

**Note:** For more information on enzymatic dissociation and subculturing of cell lines consult Chapter 10 in *Culture of Animal*

### Medium Renewal

Every 2 to 3 days.

### Complete Growth Medium

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%

This medium is formulated for use with a 5% CO<sub>2</sub> in air atmosphere. (Standard DMEM formulations contain 3.7 g/L sodium bicarbonate and a 10% CO<sub>2</sub> in air atmosphere is then recommended).

ATCC tested fetal bovine serum is available as ATCC Catalog No. 30-2020.

### Cryoprotectant Medium

Complete culture medium described above supplemented with 5% (v/v) DMSO.

Cell culture tested DMSO is available as ATCC Catalog No. 4-X.

### Additional Information

Additional product and technical information can be obtained from the catalog references and the ATCC Web site at [www.atcc.org](http://www.atcc.org), or by e-mail at [tech@atcc.org](mailto:tech@atcc.org).

### References

(additional references are available in the catalog at [www.atcc.org](http://www.atcc.org))

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<b>1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING</b>
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**Product code** C0025C  
**Product name** HEMn-LP, 500,000 cells/vial

**Company/Undertaking Identification**

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<b>2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS</b>
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**Hazardous/Non-hazardous Components**

Chemical Name	CAS-No	Weight %
dimethylsulfoxide	67-68-5	7-13

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

<b>3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION</b>
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### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

Components of the product may be absorbed into the body through the skin  
The product contains no substances which at their given concentration, are considered to be hazardous to health

Form  
Suspension

#### Principle Routes of Exposure/

#### Potential Health effects

Eyes	Mild eye irritation.
Skin	Moderate skin irritation. Components of the product may be absorbed into the body through the skin.
Inhalation	No information available
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.

#### Specific effects

Carcinogenic effects	No information available
Mutagenic effects	No information available
Reproductive toxicity	No information available
Sensitization	No information available

#### Target Organ Effects

No information available

#### HMIS

Health	1
Flammability	0
Reactivity	0

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Skin contact	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothes and shoes.
Eye contact	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water, also under the eyelids.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air
Notes to physician	Treat symptomatically

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO2). Foam. Dry powder. alcohol-resistant foam. The product is not flammable.
Special protective equipment for firefighters	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions	Use personal protective equipment
Methods for cleaning up	Soak up with inert absorbent material. Clean contaminated surface thoroughly. Take up mechanically and collect in suitable container for disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling** Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
**Storage** Keep in properly labelled containers.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Occupational exposure controls

#### Exposure limits

Chemical Name	OSHA PEL (TWA)	OSHA PEL (Ceiling)	ACGIH OEL (TWA)	ACGIH OEL (STEL)
dimethylsulfoxide	-	-	-	-

**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** Suspension

### 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** soluble

## 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

Chemical Name	LD50 (oral, rat/mouse)	LD50 (dermal, rat/rabbit)	LC50 (Inhalation, rat/mouse)
dimethylsulfoxide	14500 mg/kg (Rat)	No data available	No data available

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

**Eyes** Mild eye irritation.  
**Skin** Moderate skin irritation. Components of the product may be absorbed into the body through the skin.  
**Inhalation** No information available  
**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

**Specific effects**

**Carcinogenic effects** No information available  
**Mutagenic effects** No information available  
**Reproductive toxicity** No information available  
**Sensitization** 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**

Chemical Name	TSCA	PICCS	ENCS	DSL	NDSL	AICS
dimethylsulfoxide	Listed	Listed	Listed	Listed	-	Listed

**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 contains HAPs.

## U.S. State Regulations

Chemical Name	Massachusetts - RTK	New Jersey - RTK	Pennsylvania - RTK	Illinois - RTK	Rhode Island - RTK
dimethylsulfoxide	-	-	-	-	-

## California Proposition 65

This product does not contain chemicals listed under Proposition 65

## WHMIS hazard class:

Non-controlled

This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### Identification of the substance/preparation

**Product code** C2025C  
**Product name** HEMn-DP, 500,000 cells/vial

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## 2. Hazards identification

### GHS - Classification

#### Signal Word

**WARNING**



#### Health Hazard

Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2

#### Physical Hazards

not hazardous

#### Hazard statements

H315 - Causes skin irritation

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

#### Precautionary statements

P264 - Wash hands thoroughly after handling

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

P332 + P313 - If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention

P337 + P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

P362 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse

#### Principle Routes of Exposure/

##### Potential Health effects

<b>Eyes</b>	Irritating to eyes.
<b>Skin</b>	Irritating to skin. Components of the product may be absorbed into the body through the skin.
<b>Inhalation</b>	May cause irritation of respiratory tract.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

#### Specific effects

<b>Carcinogenic effects</b>	none
<b>Mutagenic effects</b>	none
<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	none
<b>Sensitization</b>	none

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**Target Organ Effects**

None under normal use conditions

**HMIS**

Health	1
Flammability	0
Reactivity	0

**3. Composition/information on ingredients**

Chemical Name	CAS-No	EINECS-No	Weight %
dimethylsulfoxide	67-68-5	200-664-3	7-13

We recommend handling all chemicals with caution.

**4. First aid measures**

<b>Skin contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Call a physician or Poison Control Centre immediately. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do not induce vomiting without medical advice.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Call a physician or Poison Control Centre immediately.
<b>Notes to physician</b>	Treat symptomatically.

**5. Fire-fighting measures**

<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Foam. Dry chemical.
<b>Special protective equipment for firefighters</b>	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.

**6. Accidental release measures**

<b>Personal precautions</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Use personal protective equipment.
<b>Methods for cleaning up</b>	Soak up with inert absorbent material.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent product from entering drains.

See Section 12 for additional information.

**7. Handling and storage**

<b>Handling</b>	Always wear recommended Personal Protective Equipment. No special handling advice required.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep in properly labelled containers.

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## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### 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**

Impervious 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. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### General Information

#### **Form**

liquid

#### **Appearance**

No information available

#### **Odor**

No information available

#### **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**

soluble

## 10. Stability and reactivity

#### **Stability**

Stable under normal conditions.

#### **Materials to avoid**

Acid chlorides. Strong acids Strong oxidizing agents Reducing agents.

#### **Hazardous decomposition products**

Carbon oxides Sulphur oxides

#### **polymerization**

None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological Information

### Acute toxicity

Chemical Name	LD50 (oral, rat/mouse)	LD50 (dermal, rat/rabbit)	LC50 (inhalation, rat/mouse)
dimethylsulfoxide	= 14500 mg/kg (Rat)	no data available	no data available

### Principle Routes of Exposure/ Potential Health effects

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**Eyes** Irritating to eyes.  
**Skin** Irritating to skin Components of the product may be absorbed into the body through the skin.  
**Inhalation** May cause irritation of respiratory tract.  
**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.  
  
**Carcinogenic effects** none  
**Mutagenic effects** none  
**Reproductive toxicity** none  
**Sensitization** none  
  
**Target Organ Effects** None under normal use conditions

**12. Ecological Information**

**Ecotoxicity effects** No information available.  
**Acute aquatic toxicity** Not classified for acute  
**Chronic aquatic toxicity** Not classified chronic  
**Mobility** No information available.  
**Biodegradation** No information available.  
**Bioaccumulation** No information available.

Chemical Name	Freshwater Algae Data	Water Flea Data	Freshwater Fish Species Data	Microtox Data	log Pow
<b>dimethylsulfoxide</b> <b>67-68-5</b>	Skeletonema costatum EC50 12350 - 25500 mg/L (96 h)	Daphnia species EC50=7000 mg/L (24 h)			logPow-2.03

**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** none  
**Subsidiary Class** none  
**Packing group** none  
**UN-No** none

## 15. Regulatory information

Component	TSCA
dimethylsulfoxide 67-68-5 ( 7-13 )	Listed

### 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 contains HAPs.

### U.S. State Regulations

#### **California Proposition 65**

This product does not contain chemicals listed under Proposition 65

#### **WHMIS hazard class:**

D2B Toxic materials



This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR

## 16. Other information

**Reason for Revision** (M)SDS sections updated.

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

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 Product name HEMa-LP, 500,000 cells/vial

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## 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### Hazardous/Non-hazardous Components

Chemical Name	CAS-No	Weight %
dimethylsulfoxide	67-68-5	7-13

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

## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

Components of the product may be absorbed into the body through the skin  
The product contains no substances which at their given concentration, are considered to be hazardous to health

Form  
Suspension

#### Principle Routes of Exposure/

#### Potential Health effects

Eyes	Mild eye irritation.
Skin	Moderate skin irritation. Components of the product may be absorbed into the body through the skin.
Inhalation	No information available
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.

#### Specific effects

Carcinogenic effects	No information available
Mutagenic effects	No information available
Reproductive toxicity	No information available
Sensitization	No information available

#### Target Organ Effects

No information available

#### HMIS

Health	1
Flammability	0
Reactivity	0

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Skin contact	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothes and shoes.
Eye contact	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water, also under the eyelids.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air
Notes to physician	Treat symptomatically

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO2). Foam. Dry powder. alcohol-resistant foam. The product is not flammable.
Special protective equipment for firefighters	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions	Use personal protective equipment
Methods for cleaning up	Soak up with inert absorbent material. Clean contaminated surface thoroughly. Take up mechanically and collect in suitable container for disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling** Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
**Storage** Keep in properly labelled containers.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Occupational exposure controls

#### Exposure limits

Chemical Name	OSHA PEL (TWA)	OSHA PEL (Ceiling)	ACGIH OEL (TWA)	ACGIH OEL (STEL)
dimethylsulfoxide	-	-	-	-

**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** Suspension

### 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** soluble

## 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

Chemical Name	LD50 (oral,rat/mouse)	LD50 (dermal,rat/rabbit)	LC50 (inhalation,rat/mouse)
dimethylsulfoxide	14500 mg/kg (Rat)	No data available	No data available

**Principle Routes of Exposure/**

**Potential Health effects**

**Eyes** Mild eye irritation.  
**Skin** Moderate skin irritation. Components of the product may be absorbed into the body through the skin.  
**Inhalation** No information available  
**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

**Specific effects**

**Carcinogenic effects** No information available  
**Mutagenic effects** No information available  
**Reproductive toxicity** No information available  
**Sensitization** 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**

Chemical Name	TSCA	PICCS	ENCS	DSL	NDSL	AICS
dimethylsulfoxide	Listed	Listed	Listed	Listed	-	Listed

**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 contains HAPs.

### U.S. State Regulations

Chemical Name	Massachusetts - RTK	New Jersey - RTK	Pennsylvania - RTK	Illinois - RTK	Rhode Island - RTK
dimethylsulfoxide	-	-	-	-	-

### California Proposition 65

This product does not contain chemicals listed under Proposition 65

### WHMIS hazard class:

Non-controlled

This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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**The University of Western Ontario**  
**BIOLOGICAL AGENTS REGISTRY FORM**  
 Approved Biohazards Subcommittee: October 14, 2011  
 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).

Electronically completed forms are to be submitted to Occupational Health and Safety, (OHS), (Support Services Building, Room 4190 or to [jstanle2@uwo.ca](mailto:jstanle2@uwo.ca)) 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/).

Please ensure that all questions are fully and clearly answered. Failure to do so will lead to the form being returned, which will cause delays in your approval and frustration for you and your colleagues on the Committee.

**If you are re-submitting this form as requested by the Biohazards Subcommittee, please make modifications to the form in bold print, highlighted in yellow. Please re-submit forms electronically.**

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Building :	<b>Dental Science Building</b>	Room(s):	<b>00015, 00017</b>

**\*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: **CIHR, CBCF, CRC**

GRANT TITLE(S): **Cx26 and Panx1 as breast tumor suppressors: potential therapeutic targets CBCF**  
**Cx43 mutations linked to human disease CIHR**  
**Comparative analysis of the life cycle and function of connexins & pannexins CIHR**  
**Functional role of connexins in ... CIHR**

UNDERGRADUATE COURSE NAME(IF APPLICABLE): \_\_\_\_\_

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Per convos.  
with  
C. Shao  
JS*

**Please explain how the biological agents are used in your project and how they are stored and disposed of. The BARF without this description will not be reviewed.**

**Cell Lines:** All cell lines including viral packaging cells are cultured and passaged in laminar flow hoods that are certified annually for level 2 containment. For long term storage cells are initially frozen in a biohazard labeled -80oC freezer prior to being transferred to a biohazard labeled liquid nitrogen tanks one or two days after freezing. Unwanted cells are bleached and autoclaved prior to disposal. Cells expressing connexins, pannexins or site-directed mutants of these molecules as well as cells ectopically expressing cDNAs are frequently used for Western blots, immunofluorescent or other biochemical analysis.

**cDNA constructs:** All cDNA constructs( connexins and pannexins) are stored in a -20oC freezer and viral particles are stored in a biohazard labeled -80oC freezer. Reference cell lines or primary cells are transfected or infected with cDNAs to assess the the biochemical and functional properties of connexins and pannexins. Stably infected or transfected cells are cultured and passaged under level 2 containment. Unwanted transfected or infected cell lines are killed by bleaching , autoclaving, and disposal as biohazardous labeled waste.

**Please include a ONE page research summary or teaching protocol in lay terms.  
Forms with summaries more than one page will not be reviewed.**

Most cells in the human body need to consistently talk to each other and exchange information. Cell to cell communication can be mediated by connexin channels called gap junctions that directly allow the exchange of signals. In other cases, information encoded in small molecules are released through specialized channels only to be recaptured by receptors or channels that reside on the surface of neighboring cells. In the present study we are focusing on a new class of channel forming proteins called pannexins that allow small molecules carrying important signals to enter and leave the cell. Already these unique channels have been demonstrated to be important in sending find me signals to clear dead or dying cells. In disease, pannexin channels have been linked to ischemic and epileptic damage in the brain. In addition, our evidence suggests that these channels are very important in skeletal development and skin differentiation. In the present study we will determine what regulates the function of the channels allowing them to release or uptake important signalling molecules. Using newly generated transgenic mouse models that lack one or two members of the pannexin family we will assess the skin and skeleton for abnormalities. Finally, since preliminary data suggests pannexin channels may be important in skeletal diseases, we will determine if the loss of one or more pannexins will lead to the acceleration or reversion of osteoarthritis.

It is a general requirement for normal function that adjacent cells within human tissues communicate directly with each other through special channels called gap junctions. In over 10 distinct human diseases these channels are either not produced by the cells (e.g. many cancers), or the proteins (connexins) that make up these channels contain mutations that inhibit their normal function (e.g. skin diseases, deafness, neuropathies). There are 21 connexin genes in the human genome and multiple connexins can be expressed and intermix in the same cells, leading to a complex array of gap junction channel types within tissues and organs. This is most evident in the epidermis of the skin where up to 10 different connexins are expressed and mutations in anyone of 5 of these connexins result in a variety of human skin diseases. Importantly, mutations in some of these same connexins cause additional disease burden which includes hearing loss and the disease symptoms tend to become evident during aging. In this study we will investigate how connexin mutations cause human diseases of the skin and why these disease manifest as a patient ages. Once it is better understood how connexin mutations cause diseases of the skin in aged patients it is anticipated that these findings could be translated to pre-clinical studies and possible treatments of gap junction-linked diseases.

## 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:

Full Scientific 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
<i>DHS-a-Ecotti</i> <i>E. coli DHS alpha - per email Mar 14, 2012 4x</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<500 ml	Invitrogen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2+ <input type="checkbox"/> 3
<i>JM109</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<500 ml	Invitrogen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2+ <input type="checkbox"/> 3
<b>Adenovirus Retrovirus</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2+ <input type="checkbox"/> 3
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2+ <input type="checkbox"/> 3
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*\*Please attach a Material Safety Data Sheet or equivalent from the supplier if the bacterium used is not on this link:  
[http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/docs/ohs/CFIA\\_Ecoli\\_list.pdf](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/docs/ohs/CFIA_Ecoli_list.pdf)*

Additional Comments: Those competent cells are used for transformation to amplify plasmid DNAs

## 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	skin biopsies	Not applicable
Rodent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	genetically modified mice, fibroblasts	2006-101
Non-human primate	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	HeLa, HEK293T, HEK, see append,	2	ATCC
Rodent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	MDCK, N2A, BICR-M1Rk, see append,	2	Clonetic, ATCC
Non-human primate	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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

Additional Comments: These cell lines have previously been approved and records are on file with the Safety Office. See the appendix for a list of other cell lines in our laboratory.

## 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	ODDD patients and relatives	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unknown		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2+ <input type="checkbox"/> 3
Human Blood (fraction) or other Body Fluid		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2+ <input type="checkbox"/> 3
Human Organs or	ODDD patients	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2

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Tissues (unpreserved)	<b>and relatives</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/> 2+ <input type="checkbox"/> 3
Human Organs or Tissues (preserved)	<b>ODDD patients and relatives</b>	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Additional Comments: Plans are to expand and seek other patients with connexin-linked diseases

#### 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

4.2 Will genetic modification(s) involving plasmids be done?  YES, complete table below  NO

Bacteria Used for Cloning *	Plasmid(s) **	Source of Plasmid	Gene Transformed or Transfected	Will there be a change due to transformation of the bacteria?	Will there be a change in the pathogenicity of the bacteria after the genetic modification?	What are the consequences due to the transformation of the bacteria?
<i>E. coli</i> JM109	T-East, pcDNA3 (+), (-), pEGFP See appendix	Promega, Invitrogen, Clontech	connexin, pannexins	No	No	No

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

\*\* Please attach a plasmid map.

\*\*\*No Material Safety Data Sheet is required for the following strains of *E. coli*:

[http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/docs/ohs/CFIA\\_Ecoli\\_list.pdf](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/docs/ohs/CFIA_Ecoli_list.pdf)

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
Retrovirus Adenovirus	AP-2 pRNA-H1.1	Dr. J. Galipeau, McGill University GenScript	connexins, pannexins and N-cadherin	improved cell to environment and cell-cell communication

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

4.3.1 Will virus be replication defective?  YES  NO

4.3.2 Will virus be infectious to humans or animals?  YES  NO

4.3.3 Will this be expected to increase the containment level required?  YES  NO

#### 5.0 Will genetic sequences from the following be involved?

- ◆ HIV  NO  YES, specify
- ◆ HTLV 1 or 2 or genes from any Level 1 or Level 2 pathogens  NO  YES, specify
- ◆ SV 40 Large T antigen  NO  YES
- ◆ E1A oncogene  NO  YES
- ◆ Known oncogenes  NO  YES, specify *HeLa cells (HPV) g8*
- ◆ Other human or animal pathogen and or their toxins  NO  YES, specify

5.1 Is any work being conducted with prions or prion sequences?

NO  YES

Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**6.0 Human Gene Therapy Trials**

6.1 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 7.0

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

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

6.4 How will the biological agent be administered?

6.5 Please give the Health Care Facility where the clinical trial will be conducted:

6.6 Has human ethics approval been obtained?  YES, number:  NO  PENDING

**7.0 Animal Experiments**

7.1 Will live animals be used?  YES  NO If NO, please proceed to section 8.0

7.2 Name of animal species to be used **Mice**

7.3 AUS protocol # **2006-101**

7.4 List the location(s) for the animal experimentation and housing. **West Valley and Dental Science Buildings**

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

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

**8.0 Use of Animal species with Zoonotic Hazards**

8.1 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 9.0

8.2 Will live animals be used?  YES  NO

8.3 If YES, please specify the animal(s) used:

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

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

## 9.0 Biological Toxins and Hormones

9.1 Will toxins or hormones of biological origin be used?  YES  NO If NO, please proceed to Section 10.0

9.2 If YES, please name the toxin(s) or hormones(s) **Cholera toxin**  
Please attach information, such as a Material Safety Data Sheet, for the toxin(s) used.

9.3 What is the LD<sub>50</sub> (specify species) of the toxin or hormone **250ug/kg**

9.4 How much of the toxin or hormone is handled at one time\*? **100ng/ml into culture medium**

9.5 How much of the toxin or hormone is stored\*? **1mg**

9.6 Will any biological toxins or hormones be used in live animals?  YES  NO

If YES, Please provide details:

\*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)

Additional Comments: **Cholera toxin will be used in MCF10A cell culture medium to facilitate the optimum growth conditions.**

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## 10.0 Insects

10.1 Do you use insects?  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 insect?

10.4 What is the life stage of the insect?

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

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

10.7 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:

## 11.0 Plants

- 11.1 Do you use plants?  YES  NO - If NO, please proceed to Section 12.0
- 11.2 If YES, please give the name of the species.
- 11.3 What is the origin of the plant?
- 11.4 What is the form of the plant (seed, seedling, plant, tree...)?
- 11.5 What is your intention?  Grow and maintain a crop  "One-time" use
- 11.6 Do you do any modifications to the plant?  YES  NO  
If yes, please describe:
- 11.7 Please describe the risk (if any) of loss of the material from the lab and how this will be mitigated:
- 11.8 Is the CFIA permit attached?  YES  NO  
If YES, Please attach the CFIA permit & describe any CFIA permit conditions:

## 12.0 Import Requirements

- 12.1 Will any of the above agents be imported?  YES, cc **Cholera toxin from Cedarlane**  
If NO, please proceed to Section 13.0
- 12.2 Has an Import Permit been obtained from HC for human pathogens?  YES  NO
- 12.3 Has an import permit been obtained from CFIA for animal or plant pathogens?  YES  NO
- 12.4 Has the import permit been sent to OHS?  YES, please provide permit # C-12-1146  NO

## 13.0 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.

**An X in the check box indicates you agree with the above statement..**

**Enter Your Name** Dale W Laird **Date:** March 7, 2012

**14.0 Containment Levels**

14.1 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

14.2 Has the facility been certified by OHS for this level of containment?  
 YES, location and date of most recent biosafety inspection: **May 19, 2011**  
 NO, please certify  
 NOT REQUIRED for Level 1 containment

14.3 Please indicate permit number (not applicable for first time applicants): **BIO-UWO-0017**

**15.0 Procedures to be Followed**

15.1 Are additional risk reduction measures necessary beyond containment level 1, 2, 2+ or 3 measures that are unique to these agents?  YES  NO  
If YES please describe:

15.2 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:  
**The infectious material will be washed away if possible, the injured worker will be sent to emergency for assessment, an accident report will be filed and the biosafety office will be contacted to ensure that all necessary accident procedures are executed.**

15.3 As the Principal Investigator, I will ensure that this project will follow the Western Biosafety Guidelines and 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.shs.uwo.ca/workplace/workplacehealth.html>

**An X in the check box indicates you agree with the above statement...**   
**Enter Your Name** Dale W Laird **Date:** March 7, 2012

15.4 Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**16.0 Approvals**

1) UWO Biohazards Subcommittee: SIGNATURE: *M. Hillier*  
Date: May 2, 2012

2) Safety Officer for the University of Western Ontario SIGNATURE: *J Stanley*  
Date: April 30, 2012

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

Approval Number: BIO-UWO-0017 Expiry Date (3 years from Approval): May 2, 2015

Special Conditions of Approval:



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

Ms. Shamila Survery / Mr. Michael Decosimo  
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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 consider to be level 1 animal pathogens:

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

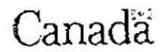
The Office of Biohazard Containment and Safety (BCS) of the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) only issues import permits for microorganisms that are pathogenic to animals, or parts of microorganisms that are pathogenic to animals. As the products listed above are not considered pathogenic to animals,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



**Subject:** Re: Biological Agents Registry Form: Laird

**From:** Cindy Shao <Cindy.Shao@schulich.uwo.ca>

**Date:** 3/14/2012 9:57 AM

**To:** Jennifer Stanley <jstanle2@uwo.ca>

You are right, it is DH5 alpha. It is competent cells. Cindy

|| Jennifer Stanley <jstanle2@uwo.ca> 3/13/2012 5:12 PM >>>

Hi there -

I got your form in the mail - thanks.

Just a quick question - do you use DH5 alpha (on the form it says DHS but I imagine that this is a typo)?

Regards

Jennifer

## **Laird Biohazard registry Appendix:**

**Additional grant applications that have been submitted and are pending.**

- 1) The role of Cx26 and Cx30 in aging skin (CIHR)**
- 2) The cellular life and function of pannexins (CIHR)**

## **Appendix 2.3, Types of established cell lines that are used in our laboratory:**

### **Cell Type and specific cell lines**

- Human: CRL-7762, CRL-7804, CRL-7761, CCD-1074, SC.ZR75, Hs578T, MDA-MB-231, MDA-MB-435S, MCF10A, SK-HEP-1, HBL-100, MCF7, HaCaT, SUM159, SUM149, HeLa, HEK293, 293T
- Rodent: C2C12, BL6, F0 melanomas, F10 melanomas, L10BIOBR-GFP, NRK, MC3T3-E1, NRK-52E, bEPD0670\_4\_B09, PC12, N2A, rat epidermal keratinocytes (REK), MDCK, BICR-M1Rk mammary tumor
- Others: MDCK

All cell lines were obtained from ATCC or colleague laboratories and are handled under level 2 containment although many of these cell lines are designated containment level 1.

## **Appendix 4.0 Genetically-modified organisms and cell lines:**

### **4.2: Plasmids:**

pcDNA-mRFP            from Addgene,  
pTagRFP vector        from Evrogen,  
CMV-R-GECO1         from Addgene,  
pRc/CMC                from Invitrogen,  
Tet-ON/off Cherry-vectors set from Clontech.  
pEBTet GFP-vector from Germany, Mitochondria-RFP vector from Yale.  
pEGFP fusion variants of connexins and pannexins and site-directed or truncated mutants of these genes.

## Cell Biology

ATCC® Number:

CRL-7761™

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Designations:

TE 353.Sk

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

Morphology:

fibroblast

Source:

**Organ:** skin**Disease:** normal

Permits/Forms:

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Gender:

female

Comments:

Patient was sister of donor for ATCC CRL-7714. Part of the NBL Cell Line Collection. This cell line is neither produced nor fully characterized by ATCC . We do not guarantee that it will maintain a specific morphology, purity, or any other property upon passage.  
[Please see the NBL Repository description.](#)

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** 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%.

**Atmosphere:** air, 95%; carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 5%**Temperature:** 37.0°C**Related Links ▶**[NCBI Entrez Search](#)[Make a Deposit](#)[Frequently Asked Questions](#)[Material Transfer Agreement](#) New![Technical Support](#)[Related Cell Culture Products](#)**[BioProducts](#)**

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**Protocol:**

1. Remove and discard culture medium.
2. Briefly rinse the cell layer with 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin- 0.53 mM EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum that contains trypsin inhibitor.
3. Add 2.0 to 3.0 ml of Trypsin-EDTA solution to flask and observe cells under an inverted microscope until cell layer is

## Cell Biology

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CRL-7804™

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Designations:

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[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

flask

Medium &amp; Serum:

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Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

Morphology:

Source:

**Organ:** skin**Disease:** normal

Permits/Forms:

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Cytogenetic Analysis:

modal number = 46; range = 44 to 47

Age:

80 years

Gender:

female

Ethnicity:

Caucasian

Comments:

The line was established from apparently normal tissue from a patient who had basal cell carcinoma (see ATCC CRL-7806). Part of the NBL Cell Line Collection. This cell line is neither produced nor fully characterized by ATCC . We do not guarantee that it will maintain a specific morphology, purity, or any other property upon passage.

[Please see the NBL Repository description.](#)

**Note:** This item is distributed only within the 50 United States. It is not available for international distribution.

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** 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%.

**Atmosphere:** air, 95%; carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 5%

**Temperature:** 37.0°C

**Subcultivation Ratio:** A subcultivation ratio of 1:2 is recommended

**Medium Renewal:** Every 2 to 3 days

Subculturing:

Remove medium, and rinse with 0.25% trypsin, 0.03% EDTA solution. Remove the solution and add an additional 1 to 2 ml of trypsin-EDTA solution. Allow the flask to sit at room temperature (or at 37C) until the cells detach.

Add fresh culture medium. aspirate and dispense into new culture

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## Cell Biology

ATCC® Number:

CRL-7762™

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Designations:

TE 354.T

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1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

fibroblast

Morphology:



Source:

**Organ:** skin**Disease:** basal cell carcinoma

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Amelogenin: X  
 CSF1PO: 10,14  
 D13S317: 11,14  
 D16S539: 12  
 DNA Profile (STR): D5S818: 10,13  
 D7S820: 10  
 THO1: 6  
 TPOX: 8,12  
 vWA: 14,17

Gender:

female

Comments:

The patient was sister of donor for ATCC CRL-7714.  
 Part of the NBL Collection. Unlike other cell lines in the NBL Collection, this item has been fully accessioned by ATCC and is covered by the standard warranty.

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** 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%.

**Atmosphere:** air, 95%; carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 5%**Temperature:** 37.0°C**Protocol:** Remove medium, and rinse with 0.25% trypsin, 0.52 mM**Related Links ▶**[NCBI Entrez Search](#)[Cell Micrograph](#)[Make a Deposit](#)[Frequently Asked Questions](#)[Material Transfer Agreement](#) New![Technical Support](#)[Related Cell Culture Products](#)**[BioProducts](#)**[Cell, microbial and molecular genomics products for the life](#)

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## Cell Biology

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CCD-1074Sk

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

Morphology:

fibroblast

Source:

**Organ:** skin**Disease:** normal**Cell Type:** fibroblast

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Age:

42 years

Gender:

female

Comments:

The line was established from skin taken from normal breast tissue removed at mastectomy.  
 Cells senesce after approximately 26 population doublings.

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** Iscove's modified Dulbecco's medium, 90%; fetal bovine serum, 10%

**Subcultivation Ratio:** A subcultivation ratio of 1:3 to 1:6 is recommended

**Medium Renewal:** Every 3 to 4 days

Subculturing:

Remove spent medium, add fresh 0.25% trypsin, 0.03% EDTA solution, rinse and remove trypsin. Let the culture sit at room temperature (or at 37C) for 2 to 5 minutes. Add fresh medium, aspirate and dispense into new flasks. Subculture every 6 to 8 days.

Preservation:

Culture medium, 95%; DMSO, 5%

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Designations:

ZR-75-1

Depositors:

LW Engel

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

epithelial

Morphology:

**Organ:** mammary gland; breast**Tissue:** duct

Source:

**Disease:** ductal carcinoma**Derived from metastatic site:** ascites**Cell Type:** epithelial

Cellular Products:

mucin (apomucin, MUC-1, MUC-2)

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Permits/Forms:

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Receptors:

estrogen receptor, expressed

Tumorigenic:

Yes

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DNA Profile (STR): Amelogenin: X  
 CSF1PO: 10,11  
 D13S317: 9  
 D16S539: 11  
 D5S818: 13  
 D7S820: 10,11  
 THO1: 7,9.3  
 TPOX: 8

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Designations:

Hs 578T

Depositors:

AJ Hackett

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

epithelial

Morphology:



Source:

**Organ:** mammary gland; breast**Disease:** carcinoma

Permits/Forms:

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Receptors:

estrogen receptor, not expressed [[1119](#)]

Tumorigenic:

No

Amelogenin: X

CSF1PO: 13

D13S317: 11

D16S539: 9,12

DNA Profile (STR):

D5S818: 11

D7S820: 10

THO1: 9,9.3

TPOX: 8

vWA: 17

Cytogenetic Analysis:

Number of cells examined = 50; Modal Chromosome Number = 59 with a range of 50 to 77; Polyploidy Rate = 33.8%  
 Composite karyotype: 50-77 <3n> X, -1, del(1)(q12), -2, del(2)(? q36), der(3)t(3;15)(q10;p10), -4, -5, der(5)t(5;8)(p10;q10), -6, i(6)(p10), +8, -9, -10, -11, del(11)(p12), -12, -13, -14, -15, -15, -16, -17, -17, -17, i(17)(q10), -18, -19, der(19)(19pter<-q13::5q13<-qter), +22, +3 mar[cp12]

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Designations:

MDA-MB-231

Depositors:

R Cailleau

Biosafety Level:

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

epithelial

Morphology:

**Organ:** mammary gland; breast**Disease:** adenocarcinoma

Source:

**Derived from metastatic site:** pleural effusion**Cell Type:** epithelial

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Permits/Forms:

Applications:

transfection host

Receptors:

epidermal growth factor (EGF), expressed  
transforming growth factor alpha (TGF alpha), expressed

Tumorigenic:

Yes

Amelogenin: X

CSF1PO: 12,13

D13S317: 13

D16S539: 12

DNA Profile (STR):

D5S818: 12

D7S820: 8,9

THO1: 7,9.3

TPOX: 8,9

vWA: 15,18

Cytogenetic Analysis:

The cell line is aneuploid female (modal number = 64, range = 52 to 68), with chromosome counts in the near-triploid range. Normal chromosomes N8 and N15 were absent. Eleven stable rearranged marker chromosomes are noted as well as unassignable chromosomes in addition to the majority of autosomes that are trisomic. Many of the marker chromosomes are identical to those shown in the karyotype reported by K.L. Satya-Prakash, et al.

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## Cell Biology

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Designations:

MDA-MB-435S

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

spindle shaped

Morphology:

**Organ:** previously described as: mammary gland; breast

Source:

**Disease:** previously described as ductal carcinoma**Derived from metastatic site:** pleural effusion

Cellular Products:

tubulin; actin

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Permits/Forms:

Isolation:

**Isolation date:** 1976

Tumorigenic:

No

Amelogenin: X

CSF1PO: 11

D13S317: 12

D16S539: 13

DNA Profile (STR):

D5S818: 12

D7S820: 8,10

THO1: 6,7

TPOX: 8,11

vWA: 16,18

modal number = 56; range = 55 to 62

Cytogenetic Analysis:

The cell line is aneuploid human female (XX), with most chromosome counts in the 55 to 60 range. Normal chromosomes N6, N11, and N22 were absent, while chromosomes N7, N13, N18 and N21 were single. Most of the remainder of normal chromosomes were usually paired, but chromosome N2 was triple. Nineteen marker chromosomes were identified, with most of them formed from structural alterations of the missing copies of the normal

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Designations:

MCF 10A

Depositors:

Michigan Cancer Foundation

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium & Serum:

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Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

Morphology:

epithelial

Source:

**Organ:** mammary gland; breast

**Disease:** fibrocystic disease

**Cell Type:** epithelial

Permits/Forms:

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Isolation:

**Isolation date:** August 22, 1984

Applications:

transfection host

Tumorigenic:

No

DNA Profile (STR):

Amelogenin: X  
CSF1PO: 10,12  
D13S317: 8,9  
D16S539: 11,12  
D5S818: 10,13  
D7S820: 10,11  
THO1: 8,9,3  
TPOX: 9,11  
vWA: 15,17

Isoenzymes:

AK-1, 1 [[23084](#)]  
ES-D, 1 [[23084](#)]  
G6PD, B [[23084](#)]  
GLO-I, 1-2 [[23084](#)]  
PGM1, 1-2 [[23084](#)]  
PGM3, 1 [[23084](#)]

Age:

36 years

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## Cell Biology

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HTB-52™

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Designations:

SK-HEP-1

Depositors:

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[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

Morphology:

epithelial

Source:

**Organ:** liver**Tissue:** ascites**Disease:** adenocarcinoma

Permits/Forms:

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Restrictions:

The cells are distributed for research purposes only. The Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center releases the line subject to the following: 1.) The cells or their products must not be distributed to third parties. Commercial interests are the exclusive property of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. 2.) Any proposed commercial use of these cells must first be negotiated with The Director, Office of Industrial Affairs, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10021; phone (212) 639-6181; FAX (212) 717-3439.

Isolation:

**Isolation date:** 1971

Applications:

transfection host ([Roche Transfection Reagents](#))

Tumorigenic:

Yes

DNA Profile (STR):

Amelogenin: X  
 CSF1PO: 11,12  
 D13S317: 8,12  
 D16S539: 12  
 D5S818: 10,13  
 D7S820: 8,11  
 TH01: 7,9  
 TPOX: 9

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HTB-22™

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Designations:

MCF7

Depositors:

CM McGrath

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

epithelial

Morphology:

**Organ:** mammary gland; breast**Disease:** adenocarcinoma

Source:

**Derived from metastatic site:** pleural effusion**Cell Type:** epithelial

Cellular Products:

insulin-like growth factor binding proteins (IGFBP) BP-2; BP-4; BP-5

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Permits/Forms:

material. Anyone purchasing ATCC material is ultimately responsible for obtaining the permits. Please [click here](#) for information regarding the specific requirements for shipment to your location.

Applications:

transfection host

Receptors:

estrogen receptor, expressed

Antigen Expression:

Blood Type O; Rh+

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DNA Profile (STR):

Amelogenin: X

CSF1PO: 10

D13S317: 11

D16S539: 11,12

D5S818: 11,12

D7S820: 8,9

THO1: 6

TPOX: 9.12

## Cell Biology

ATCC® Number:

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Designations:

HeLa

Depositors:

WF Scherer

[Biosafety Level:](#)

2 [Cells contain human papilloma virus ]

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Homo sapiens*

epithelial

Morphology:

**Organ:** cervix

Source:

**Disease:** adenocarcinoma**Cell Type:** epithelial

Permits/Forms:

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Applications:

transfection host  
screening for Escherichia coli strains with invasive potential

Human adenovirus 3

Encephalomyocarditis virus

Virus Susceptibility:

Human poliovirus 1

Human poliovirus 2

Human poliovirus 3

DNA Profile (STR):

Amelogenin: X

CSF1PO: 9,10

D13S317: 12,13.3

D16S539: 9,10

D5S818: 11,12

D7S820: 8,12

TH01: 7

TPOX: 8,12

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Designations: 293 [HEK-293]

Depositors: FL Graham

[Biosafety Level:](#) 2 [CELLS CONTAIN ADENOVIRUS ]

Shipped: frozen

Medium & Serum: [See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties: adherent

Organism: *Homo sapiens*  
epithelial

Morphology:



Source:

**Organ:** embryonic kidney

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Restrictions:

These cells are distributed for research purposes only. 293 cells, their products, or their derivatives may not be distributed to third parties.

Applications:

efficacy testing  
transfection host  
virucide testing

Receptors:

vitronectin, expressed

Tumorigenic:

YES

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DNA Profile (STR): Amelogenin: X  
CSF1PO: 11,12  
D13S317: 12,14  
D16S539: 9,13  
D5S818: 8,9  
D7S820: 11,12  
THO1: 7,9.3  
TPOX: 11

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Designations: 293T/17 [HEK 293T/17]  
 Depositors: Rockefeller Univ.  
Biosafety Level: 2 [Cells contain Adeno and SV-40 viral DNA sequences ]  
 Shipped: frozen  
 Medium & Serum: [See Propagation](#)  
 Growth Properties: adherent  
 Organism: *Homo sapiens* deposited as human  
 Morphology: epithelial

Source:

**Organ:** kidney

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Restrictions:

The line is available with the following restriction: 1. The cell line was deposited at the ATCC by Rockefeller University and is provided for research purposes only. Neither the cell line nor the products derived from it may be sold or used for commercial purposes. Nor can the cells be distributed to third parties for purposes of sale, or producing for sale, cells or their products. The cells are provided as a service to the research community. They are provided without warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose or any other warranty, expressed or implied. 2. Any proposed commercial use of the cells, or their products, must first be negotiated with Rockefeller University, Office of Technology Transfer, 1230 York Avenue, New York, NY 10065 Attn: Kathleen A. Denis, Associate Vice President Technology Transfer.

Applications:

293T cells were cloned and the clones tested with the pBND and pZAP vectors to obtain a line capable of producing high titers of infectious retrovirus, 293T/17. These cells constitutively express the simian virus 40 (SV40) large T antigen, and clone 17 was selected specifically for its high transfectability.

Antigen Expression:

SV40 T antigen [[45408](#)]

Amelogenin: X  
 CSF1PO: 11, 12  
 D13S317: 12, 14  
 D16S539: 9, 13

DNA Profile (STR):

D5S818: 8, 9  
 D7S820: 11  
 TH01: 7, 9, 2

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Designations:

C2C12

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Mus musculus*  
myoblast

Morphology:

**Strain:** C3H

Source:

**Tissue:** muscle**Cell Type:** myoblast;

Permits/Forms:

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Applications:

transfection host

Comments:

This is a subclone (produced by H. Blau, et al) of the mouse myoblast cell line established by D. Yaffe and O. Saxel. The C2C12 cell line differentiates rapidly, forming contractile myotubes and producing characteristic muscle proteins. Treatment with bone morphogenic protein 2 (BMP-2) cause a shift in the differentiation pathway from myoblastic to osteoblastic. Tested and found negative for ectromelia virus (mousepox).

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** 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%.

**Temperature:** 37.0°C**Protocol:** IMPORTANT - DO NOT ALLOW CULTURES TO BECOME CONFLUENT.

Cultures must not be allowed to become confluent as this will deplete the myoblastic population in the culture.

Myotube formation is enhanced when the medium is supplemented with 10% horse serum instead of fetal bovine serum.

1. Remove and discard culture medium.

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Designations:

B16-F0

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Mus musculus*

Morphology:

mixture of spindle-shaped and epithelial-like cells

Source:

**Organ:** skin**Strain:** C57BL/6J**Disease:** melanoma

Permits/Forms:

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Applications:

transfection host ([Roche Transfection Reagents](#))

Tumorigenic:

Yes

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** 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%.

**Atmosphere:** air, 95%; carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 5%**Temperature:** 37.0°C**Related Links ▶**[NCBI Entrez Search](#)[Make a Deposit](#)[Frequently Asked Questions](#)[Material Transfer Agreement New!](#)[Technical Support](#)[Related Cell Culture Products](#)**[BioProducts](#)**[Cell, microbial and molecular genomics products for the life](#)

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**Protocol:**

1. Remove and discard culture medium.
2. Briefly rinse the cell layer with 0.25% (w/v) Trypsin- 0.53 mM EDTA solution to remove all traces of serum that contains trypsin inhibitor.
3. Add 2.0 to 3.0 ml of Trypsin-EDTA solution to flask and observe cells under an inverted microscope until cell layer is

Subculturing:

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Designations:

B16-F10

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Mus musculus*

mixture of spindle-shaped and epithelial-like cells

Morphology:

**Organ:** skin

Source:

**Strain:** C57BL/6J**Disease:** melanoma

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Applications:

transfection host

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** 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%.

**Temperature:** 37.0°C**Atmosphere:** air, 95%; carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 5%**Related Links ▶**[NCBI Entrez Search](#)[Cell Micrograph](#)[Make a Deposit](#)[Frequently Asked Questions](#)[Material Transfer Agreement](#) New![Technical Support](#)[Related Cell Culture Products](#)[Product Information Sheet](#)**[BioProducts](#)**

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Subculturing:



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### Description

The L10BIOBR-GFP cell line was derived by infecting the immortalized murine melanocyte cell line L10BIOBR with pDIVA-GFP. The vector contains the puromycin resistant gene. The cells were selected on medium containing puromycin. Both cell lines, L10BIOBR-GFP (CRL-2770?) and L10BIOBR-MAPKK (ATCC CRL-2771?) will serve as controls for oncogenic transformation and signal transduction studies for melanoma [PubMed: 12514183].

## Cell Biology

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Designations:

NRK

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Rattus norvegicus*

Morphology:

epithelial

Source:

**Organ:** kidney**Strain:** Osborne-Mendel**Disease:** normalIn addition to the [MTA](#) mentioned above, other [ATCC and/or regulatory permits](#) may be required for the transfer of this ATCC

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Applications:

transfection host ([Roche Transfection Reagents](#))

Cytogenetic Analysis:

modal number = 44; range = 39 to 44

Age:

adult

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** 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%.**Atmosphere:** air, 95%; carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 5%**Temperature:** 37.0°C

Subculturing:

**Protocol:** Remove medium, and rinse with 0.25% trypsin, 0.53 mM EDTA solution. Remove the solution and add an additional 1 to 2 ml of trypsin-EDTA solution. Allow the flask to sit at room temperature (or at 37C) until the cells detach. Add fresh culture medium, aspirate and dispense into new culture flasks.**Subcultivation Ratio:** A subcultivation ratio of 1:4 to 1:12 is recommended**Medium Renewal:** Every 2 to 3 days**Related Links ▶**[NCBI Entrez Search](#)[Make a Deposit](#)[Frequently Asked Questions](#)[Material Transfer Agreement](#) New![Technical Support](#)[Related Cell Culture Products](#)**[BioProducts](#)**[Cell, microbial and molecular genomics products for the life](#)

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Designations:

MC3T3-E1 Subclone 4

Depositors:

RT Franceschi

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Mus musculus*

Morphology:

fibroblast

**Organ:** bone**Strain:** C57BL/6**Tissue:** calvaria**Cell Type:** preosteoblast;

Source:

Cellular Products:

collagen [[51540](#)]

Permits/Forms:

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These cell lines are good models for studying in vitro osteoblast differentiation, particularly ECM signaling. They have behavior similar to primary calvarial osteoblasts.

Applications:

The MC3T3-E1 Subclone 4 (ATCC [CRL-2593](#)) and the MC3T3 Subclone 14 (ATCC [CRL-2594](#)) lines exhibit high levels of osteoblast differentiation after growth in ascorbic acid and 3 to 4 mM inorganic phosphate.

Tumorigenic:

Yes

Age:

newborn

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A series of subclones were isolated from the cloned but phenotypically heterogeneous MC3T3-E1 cell line. The subclones were selected for high or low osteoblast differentiation and mineralization after growth in medium containing ascorbic acid. The MC3T3-E1 Subclone 4 (ATCC [CRL-2593](#)) and the MC3T3 Subclone 14 (ATCC [CRL-2594](#)) lines exhibit high levels of osteoblast differentiation after growth in ascorbic acid and 3 to 4 mM inorganic phosphate. They form a well mineralized extracellular

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Designations:

NRK-52E

Depositors:

JE DeLarco

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Rattus norvegicus* deposited as *Rattus* sp.

Morphology:

epithelial

Source:

**Organ:** kidney**Disease:** normalIn addition to the [MTA](#) mentioned above, other [ATCC and/or regulatory permits](#) may be required for the transfer of this ATCC

Permits/Forms:

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Applications:

transfection host

Receptors:

epidermal growth factor (EGF); multiplication stimulating activity (MSA)

Propagation:

**ATCC complete growth medium:** Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium with 4 mM L-glutamine adjusted to contain 1.5 g/L sodium bicarbonate and 4.5 g/L glucose, 95%; bovine calf serum, 5%**Temperature:** 37.0°C**Atmosphere:** air, 95%; carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 5%

Subculturing:

**Protocol:** Remove medium, and rinse with 0.25% trypsin, 0.02% EDTA solution. Remove the solution and add an additional 1 to 2 ml of trypsin-EDTA solution. Allow the flask to sit at room temperature (or at 37C) until the cells detach. Centrifuge the cell suspension at 1000 rpm for 10 minutes, resuspend the pellet in fresh culture medium, aspirate and dispense into new culture vessels.**Subcultivation Ratio:** A subcultivation ratio of 1:3 to 1:4 is recommended**Related Links** ▶[NCBI Entrez Search](#)[Make a Deposit](#)[Frequently Asked Questions](#)[Material Transfer Agreement](#) New![Technical Support](#)[Related Cell Culture Products](#)**[BioProducts](#)**[Cell, microbial and molecular genomics products for the life](#)

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Designations: **PC-12**

Depositors: B Patterson

Biosafety Level: 1

Shipped: frozen

Medium & Serum: [See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties: floating clusters; few scattered lightly attached cells.

Organism: *Rattus norvegicus* deposited as *Rattus* sp.  
small irregularly shaped cells

Morphology:



Source:

**Organ:** adrenal gland**Disease:** pheochromocytoma

Cellular Products:

catecholamines; dopamine; norepinephrine

Permits/Forms:

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Applications:

transfection host

Receptors:

nerve growth factor (NGF), expressed

Tumorigenic:

Yes

Cytogenetic Analysis:

40 chromosomes; 38 autosomes plus XY [[1163](#)]

Gender:

male

The PC-12 cell line was derived from a transplantable rat pheochromocytoma.

Comments:

The cells respond reversibly to NGF by induction of the neuronal phenotype when plated on Collagen IV coated culture flasks. The cells do not synthesize epinephrine.

**ATCC complete growth medium:** The base medium for this cell line is ATCC-formulated RPMI-1640 Medium, Catalog No. 30-2001. To make the complete growth medium, add the following components to the base medium:

Propagation:

- heat-inactivated horse serum to a final concentration of 10%
- fetal bovine serum to a final concentration of 5%

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Designations:

Neuro-2a

Depositors:

RJ Klebe

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Mus musculus*

neuronal and amoeboid stem cells

Morphology:

**Organ:** brain**Strain:** A

Source:

**Disease:** neuroblastoma**Cell Type:** neuroblast;

Cellular Products:

acetylcholinesterase  
tubulin

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Applications:

transfection host

Herpes simplex virus

Virus Susceptibility:

Vesicular stomatitis virus

Human poliovirus 1

Antigen Expression:

H-2, a haplotype; *Mus musculus*, expressed  
modal number = 95; range = 59 to 193.

Cytogenetic Analysis:

Karyotype unstable within a stemline range of 94 to 98 chromosomes. All the cells contain 6 to 10 large chromosomes with median or submedian centromeres and 2 to 4 minute chromosomes.

GenoType:

albino

Clone Neuro-2a was established by R.J. Klebe and F.H. Ruddle from a spontaneous tumor of a strain A albino mouse. This tumor line, designated C1300, was obtained from the Jackson Laboratory, Bar Harbor, Maine [22161]. Neuro-2a cells produce large quantities of microtubular protein which is believed to play a role in a contractile system which is responsible for axoplasmic flow in nerve cells. The cell line has been used for studies on the mechanism of vinblastine precipitation of microtubular protein. the kinetics of

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Designations:

**MDCK (NBL-2)**

Depositors:

S Madin, NB Darby

[Biosafety Level:](#)

1

Shipped:

frozen

Medium &amp; Serum:

[See Propagation](#)

Growth Properties:

adherent

Organism:

*Canis familiaris*

epithelial

Morphology:



Source:

**Organ:** kidney**Disease:** normal

Cellular Products:

keratin

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Permits/Forms:

Isolation:

**Isolation date:** September, 1958

Applications:

transfection host

Human Coxsackievirus B 5

Reovirus type 2

Adeno-associated virus 4

Vaccinia virus

Virus Susceptibility:

Vesicular stomatitis virus

Adeno-associated virus 5

Human Coxsackievirus B 3

Human Coxsackievirus B 4

Human poliovirus 2

Cytogenetic Analysis:

Polyploidy 0.2%. Two large submetacentric chromosomes noted, presumably X chromosomes, and one or two additional chromosomes with median or submedian centromeres.

Age:

adult

Gender:

female

Comments:

The MDCK cell line was derived from a kidney of an apparently normal adult female cocker spaniel, September, 1958, by S.H. Madin and N.B. Darby. The cells are positive for keratin by immunoperoxidase staining. MDCK cells have been used to study processing of beta amyloid precursor protein and sorting of its

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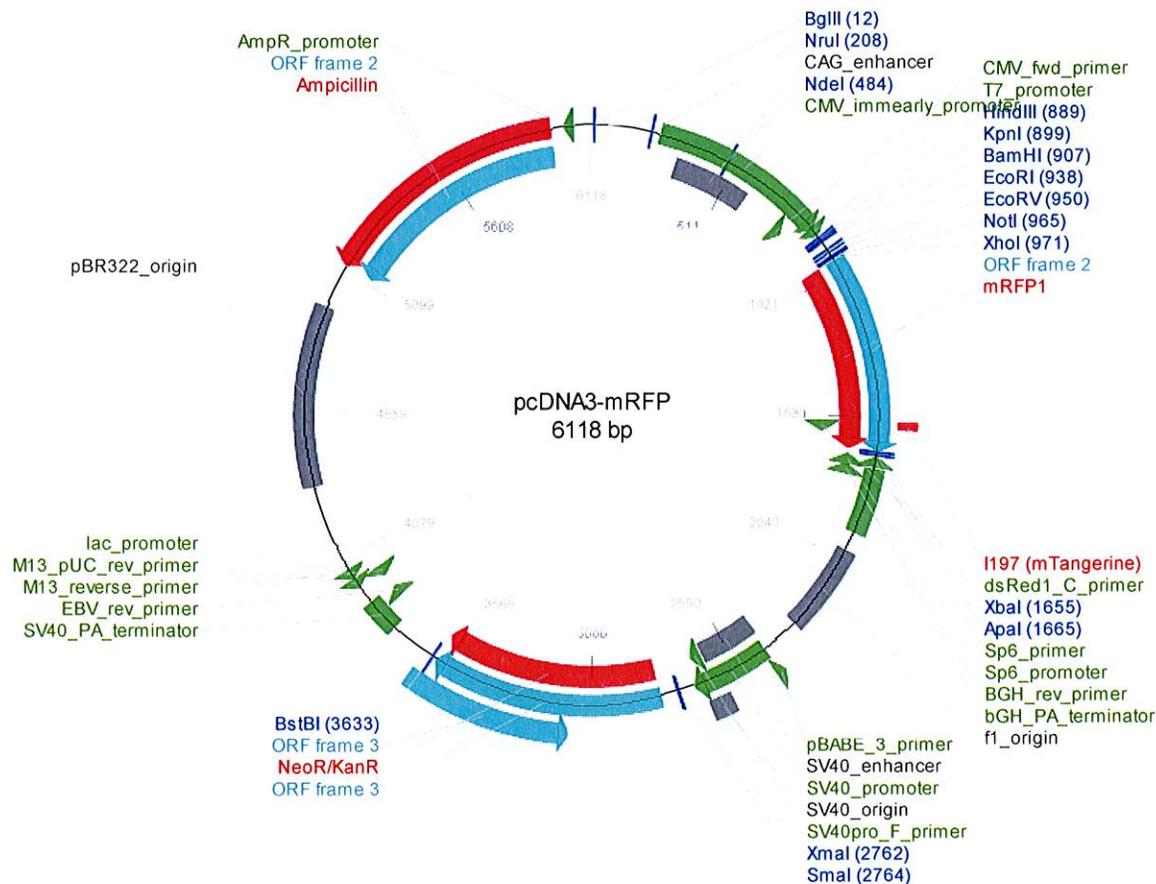
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Principal Investigator: Doug Golenbock  
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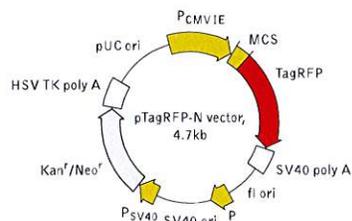
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dsRed1_C_primer	1569	1592
Sp6_primer	1688	1671
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bGH_PA_terminator	1711	1938
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SV40_promoter	2439	2708
SV40_origin	2607	2684
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NeoR/KanR	2826	3614
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M13_reverse_primer	3975	3957
M13_pUC_rev_primer	3996	3974
lac_promoter	4039	4010
pBR322_origin	4967	4348
Ampicillin	5982	5122
AmpR_promoter	6052	6024

## pTagRFP-N vector

The vector sequence has been compiled using the information from sequence databases, published literature, and other sources, together with partial sequences obtained by Evrogen. This vector has not been completely sequenced.



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### Multiple cloning site (MCS)

... G. CTA. GCG. CTA. CCG. GAC. TCA. GAT. CTC. GAG. CTC. AAG. CTT. CGA. ATT. CTG. CAG. TCG. ACC. GTA. CCG. CGG. GCC. CGG. GAT. CCA. CCG. GTC. GCC. ACC. ATG. G ...  
 \* - not unique site.

### Location of features

P<sub>CMV IE</sub>: 1-589  
 Enhancer region: 59-465  
 TATA box: 554-560  
 Transcription start point: 583  
 MCS: 591-671  
 TagRFP  
 Kozak consensus translation initiation site: 672-682  
 Start codon (ATG): 679-681; Stop codon: 1390-1392  
 SV40 early mRNA polyadenylation signal  
 Polyadenylation signals: 1542-1547 & 1571-1576  
 mRNA 3' ends: 1580 & 1592  
 f1 single-strand DNA origin: 1639-2094  
 Eukaryotic promoter for expression of Kan<sup>r</sup> gene  
 -35 region: 2156-2161; -10 region: 2179-2184  
 Transcription start point: 2191  
 SV40 origin of replication: 2435-2570  
 SV40 early promoter  
 Enhancer (72-bp tandem repeats): 2268-2339 & 2340-2411  
 21-bp repeats: 2415-2435, 2436-2456 & 2458-2478  
 Early promoter element: 2491-2497  
 Major transcription start points: 2487, 2525, 2531 & 2536  
 Kanamycin/neomycin resistance gene  
 Neomycin phosphotransferase coding sequences:  
 Start codon (ATG): 2619-2621; Stop codon: 3411-3413  
 G->A mutation to remove Pst I site: 2801  
 C->A (Arg to Ser) mutation to remove BssH I site: 3147  
 Herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signal  
 Polyadenylation signals: 3649-3654 & 3662-3667  
 pUC plasmid replication origin: 3998-4641

### References

Gorman (1985). "High efficiency gene transfer into mammalian cells." In: *DNA cloning: A Practical Approach*, Vol. II, Ed. by Glover, (IRL Press, Oxford, U.K.) Pp. 143-190.  
 Haas et al. (1996) "Codon usage limitation in the expression of HIV-1 envelope glycoprotein." *Curr Biol*, 6(3): 315-324 / pmid: 8805248  
 Kozak (1987) "An analysis of 5'-noncoding sequences from 699 vertebrate messenger RNAs." *Nucleic Acids Res*, 15(20): 8125-8148 / pmid: 3313277

Product	Cat.#	Size
pTagRFP-N vector	FP142	20 µg
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Vector type	mammalian expression vector	
Reporter	TagRFP	
Reporter codon usage	mammalian	
Promoter for TagRFP	P <sub>CMV IE</sub>	
Host cells	mammalian	
Selection	prokaryotic - kanamycin eukaryotic - neomycin (G418)	
Replication	prokaryotic - pUC ori eukaryotic - SV40 ori	
Use	TagRFP expression in mammalian cells; generation of fusions to the TagRFP N-terminus	

### Vector description

pTagRFP-N is a mammalian expression vector encoding red (orange) fluorescent protein TagRFP. The vector allows generation of fusions to the TagRFP N-terminus and expression of TagRFP fusions or TagRFP alone in eukaryotic (mammalian) cells.

TagRFP codon usage is optimized for high expression in mammalian cells (humanized) [Haas et al. 1996]. To increase mRNA translation efficiency, Kozak consensus translation initiation site is generated upstream of TagRFP sequence [Kozak 1987]. Multiple cloning site (MCS) is located between P<sub>CMV IE</sub> and TagRFP coding sequence.

The vector backbone contains immediate early promoter of cytomegalovirus (P<sub>CMV IE</sub>) for protein expression, SV40 origin for replication in mammalian cells expressing SV40 T-antigen, pUC origin of replication for propagation in *E. coli* and f1 origin for single-stranded DNA production. SV40 polyadenylation signals (SV40 poly A) direct proper processing of the 3'-end of the reporter mRNA.

SV40 early promoter (P<sub>SV40</sub>) provides neomycin resistance gene (Neo<sup>r</sup>) expression to select stably transfected eukaryotic cells using G418. Bacterial promoter (P) provides kanamycin resistance gene expression (Kan<sup>r</sup>) in *E. coli*. Kan<sup>r</sup>/Neo<sup>r</sup> gene is linked with herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signals.

### Generation of TagRFP-tagged fusions

A localization signal or a gene of interest should be cloned into MCS of the vector. It will be expressed as a fusion to the TagRFP N-terminus when inserted in the same reading frame as TagRFP and no in-frame stop codons are present. The inserted sequence should contain an initiating ATG codon. TagRFP-tagged fusions retain fluorescent properties of the native protein allowing fusion localization *in vivo*. Unmodified vector will express TagRFP, when transfected into eukaryotic (mammalian) cells.

**Note:** The plasmid DNA was isolated from dam<sup>+</sup>-methylated *E. coli*. Therefore some restriction sites are blocked by methylation. If you wish to digest the vector using such sites you will need to transform the vector into a dam<sup>-</sup> host and make fresh DNA.

### Expression in mammalian cells

pTagRFP-N vector can be transfected into mammalian cells by any known transfection method. If required, stable transformants can be selected using G418 [Gorman 1985].

### Propagation in *E. coli*

Suitable host strains for propagation in *E. coli* include DH5alpha, HB101, XL1-Blue, and other general purpose strains. Plasmid incompatibility group is pMB1/ColE1. The vector confers resistance to kanamycin (30 µg/ml) to *E. coli* hosts. Copy number in *E. coli* is about 500.

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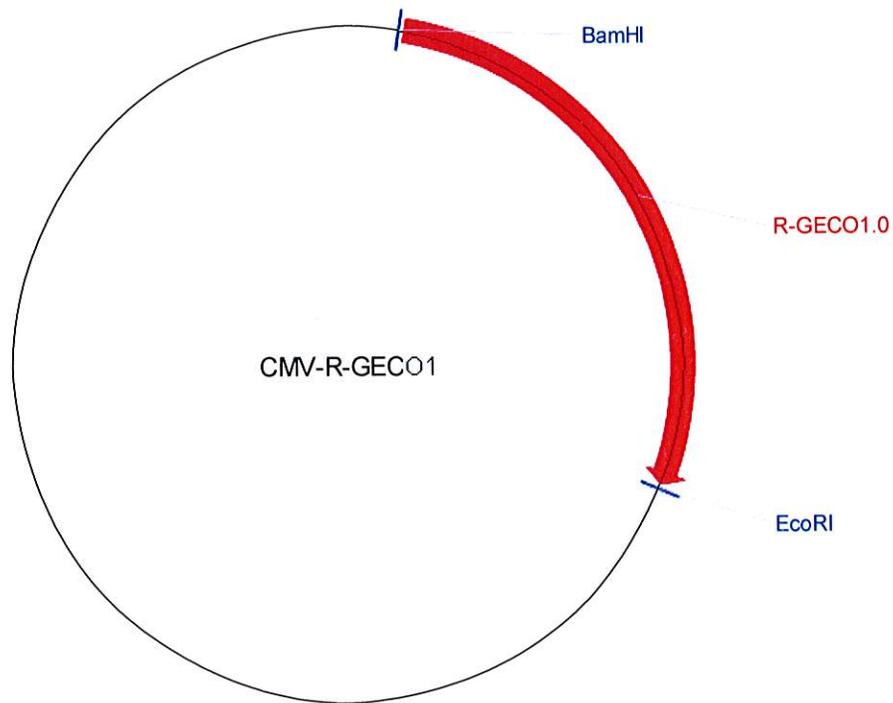
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**Plasmid 32444: CMV-R-GECO1**

Gene/insert name: R-GECO1.0  
Alt name: red intensiometric genetically encoded Ca<sup>2+</sup>-indicators for optical imaging  
Insert size: 1254  
Species: synthetic construct  
GenBank ID: JN258411  
Mutation: Substitutions relative to the mApple-derived analogue of GCaMP3:  
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S290P/I366F/K380N/S404G/N414D/E430V  
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Vector type: Mammalian Expression  
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Cloning site 5': BamHI  
Site destroyed during cloning: No  
Cloning site 3': EcoRI  
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3' sequencing primer: TAGAAGGCACAGTCGAGG  
Bacterial resistance: Ampicillin  
Growth strain: DH10B  
Growth temperature (°C): 37  
High or low copy: High Copy  
Sequence: [View sequences \(3\)](#)  
Principal Investigator: Robert Campbell  
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Comments: Note: Could not make stable cell line using this vector.

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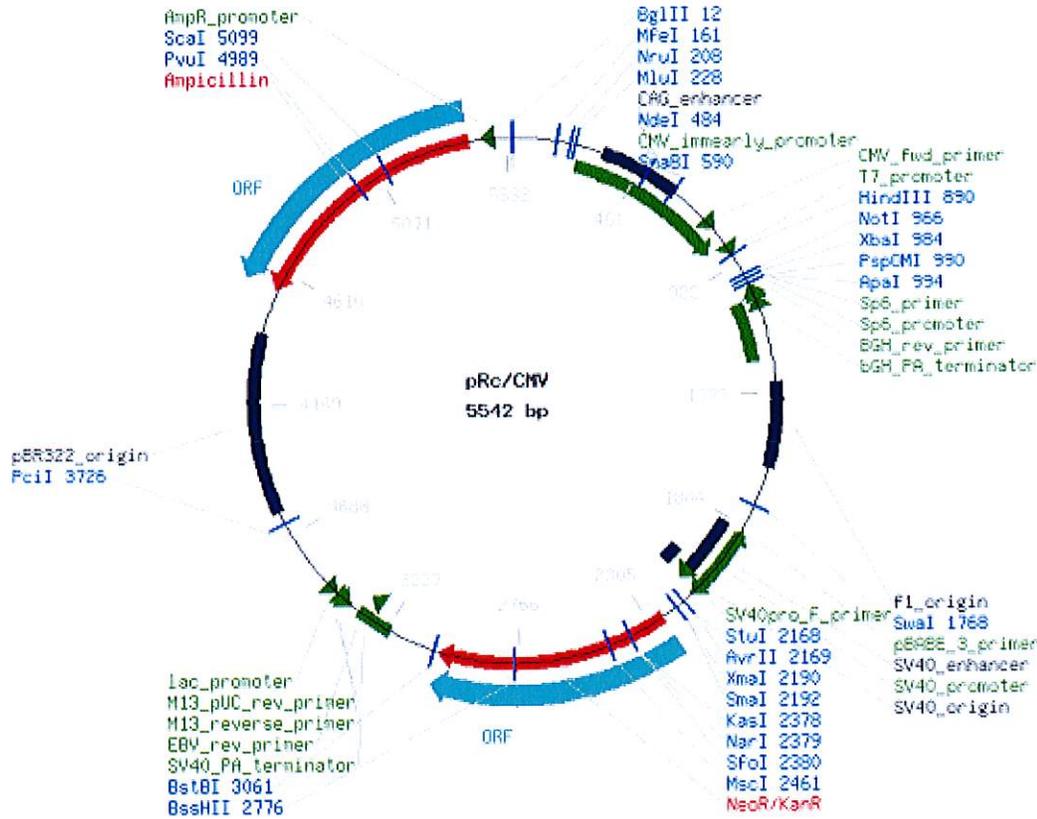


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Sequencing Primer	T7/Sp6
Bacterial Resistance	Amp
Mammalian Selection	Neomycin
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# Fast set-up of doxycycline-inducible protein expression in human cell lines with a single plasmid based on Epstein–Barr virus replication and the simple tetracycline repressor

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## Keywords

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We have developed a novel plasmid vector, **pEBTetD**, for full establishment of doxycycline-inducible protein expression by just a single transfection. pEBTetD contains an Epstein–Barr virus origin of replication for stable and efficient episomal propagation in human cell lines, a cassette for continuous expression of the simple tetracycline repressor, and a cytomegalovirus-type 2 tetracycline operator (tetO2)-tetO2 promoter. As there is no integration of vector into the genome, clonal isolation of transfected cells is not necessary. Cells are thus ready for use 1 week after transfection; this contrasts with 3–12 weeks for other systems. Adequate regulation of protein expression was accomplished by abrogation of mRNA polyadenylation. In northern analysis of seven cDNAs coding for transport proteins, pools of transfected human embryonic kidney 293 cells showed on/off mRNA ratios in the order of 100 : 1. Cell pools were also analyzed for regulation of protein function. With two transport proteins of the plasma membrane, the on/off activity ratios were 24 : 1 and 34 : 1, respectively. With enhanced green fluorescent protein, a 23 : 1 ratio was observed based on fluorescence intensity data from flow cytometry. The unique advantage of our system rests on the unmodified tetracycline repressor, which is less likely, by relocation upon binding of doxycycline, to cause cellular disturbances than chimera of tetracycline repressor and eukaryotic transactivation domains. Thus, in a comprehensive comparison of on- and off-states, a steady cellular background is provided. Finally, in contrast to a system based on Flp recombinase, the set-up of our system is inherently reliable.

The function of human proteins is commonly analyzed by heterologous expression in cultured cell lines. Regulated expression, i.e. a system to switch on expression on demand, has clear advantages over constitutive expression. With constitutive expression, cells may die during antibiotic selection because of toxic effects of

the expressed protein [1]. Also, for a close match of backgrounds, it is better to compare two states of a single cell line rather than two separately transfected and selected cell lines.

Several widely used systems for regulated expression in mammalian cell lines are based on the tetracycline

## Abbreviations

CMV, cytomegalovirus; EBV, Epstein–Barr virus; ETT, ergothioneine transporter from human; GAPDH, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase; eGFP, enhanced green fluorescent protein; MPP<sup>+</sup>, 1-methyl-4-phenylpyridinium; rTA, reverse tetracycline-controlled transcriptional activator; tetO2, type 2 tetracycline operator; TetR, tetracycline repressor; tTA, tetracycline-controlled transcriptional activator; tTS, tetracycline-controlled transcriptional silencer.

repressor (TetR) [2,3]. Current systems require two or three rounds of transfection of separate plasmids and clonal isolation, which makes setting-up an inducible cell line a protracted (at least 3 weeks if one buys cell lines prepared for the final round, or 12 weeks if one starts from scratch) and expensive procedure. In order to avoid clonal selection in the final round of transfection, the Flp-In<sup>TM</sup>-T-Rex<sup>TM</sup> system (Invitrogen, Karlsruhe, Germany) may be used. Here, in the first transfection, a Flp recombinase target site is introduced randomly into the genome; *tetR* follows in the second transfection. In the final transfection, Flp recombinase from a cotransfected plasmid is used to integrate the plasmid for protein expression into the target site. Since the open reading frame for hygromycin resistance on the expression plasmid lacks a start codon, random integration into the genome does not yield resistant cells. This leads to a uniform pool of transfected cells; clonal selection is unnecessary. Unfortunately, despite intensive scrutiny, we and others have experienced a high failure rate (~90% of all transfections) with this system, where no clones at all were generated in the end, even with the positive control plasmid supplied.

The major bottleneck in stable transfection of cells arises from the low frequency of stable plasmid integration into genomic DNA. At best, only ~0.001% of cells generate clones. Expansion of the few survivors takes weeks, particularly with selection and functional testing of individual clones. In contrast, plasmids with an Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) origin of replication *oriP* in the presence of EBV-encoded EBNA-1 protein are continuously propagated in ~1% of initially transfected cells [4]. EBV plasmid replication has been demonstrated for a large variety of human cell lines; primate and canine cell lines may also be used [5]. It has been extensively documented that the plasmids are maintained episomally (5–10 copies per cell, e.g. for 293 cells), i.e. they do not integrate into genomic DNA [5–7]. Hence, it is expected that clone-specific effects of the genetic neighbourhood (positional effects) on protein expression are avoided [8]. It thus becomes feasible to work with transfected cell pools instead of single cell clones. Altogether, it would save much time to employ an EBV vector that carries all elements necessary for doxycycline-regulated gene expression on a single plasmid.

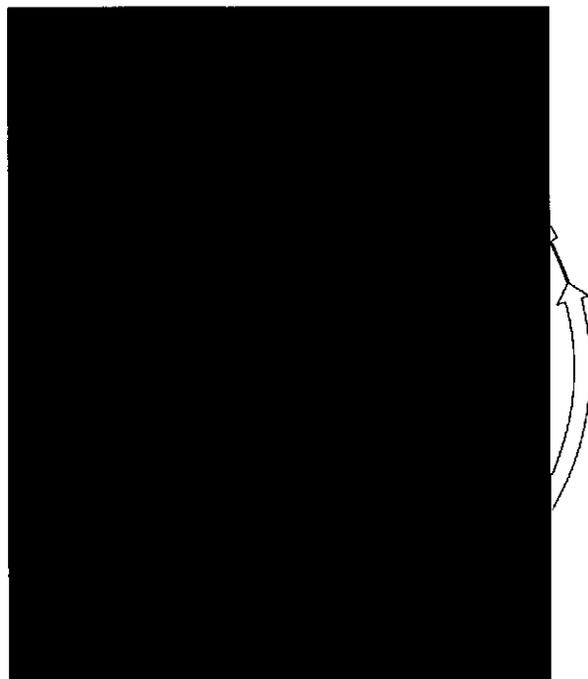
We have recently developed a substrate search strategy for integral membrane transport proteins termed 'LC-MS difference shading' [9]. Our strategy is based on comparative analysis of lysates of cells both with and without transporter expression. The expression of all other proteins in the two cell populations should match as closely as possible. Thus, for us, a suitable

system for regulated gene expression must provide an identical background.

EBV-derived single-plasmid systems for tetracycline-regulated gene expression have been described previously; these are based on the TetR-VP16 fusion proteins tetracycline-controlled transcriptional activator (tTA) [10] or reverse tetracycline-controlled transcriptional activator (rtTA) [8]. A third system [11] is based on concomitant expression of two fusion proteins, i.e. rtTA2<sup>S</sup>-M2, which contains three tandem repeat VP16 minimal activation domains, and tetracycline-controlled transcriptional silencer (tTS)<sup>KRAB</sup>, which contains the N-terminus of the KRAB repressor domain of the mammalian Kox1 protein. However, it is well known that transactivator domains, such as VP16, interact with a variety of transcription factors [12,13]. Indeed, analysis of expression levels in stably transfected HeLa cells suggests that in high numbers, even TetR fusion proteins based on VP16 minimal activation domains are toxic [12]. Thus, relocation of TetR fusion proteins upon binding of inducer can be expected to cause secondary background differences. Pronounced alteration of rtTA expression levels after addition of inducer would promote further differences [8]. Another single-plasmid EBV system based on regulation by temperature shift (29 °C versus 37 °C) was also expected to display disturbing background differences [14]. Instead we opted to utilize continuous expression of the unmodified TetR. The original tetracycline repressor simply binds to a tandem of the type 2 tetracycline operator (*tetO2*) operator and thus blocks transcription from the upstream cytomegalovirus (CMV) promoter [15]. Addition of tetracycline or doxycycline to the culture medium turns on expression: the inducer binds to the repressor, which then dissociates from the operator. From the lack of interaction of the unmodified TetR with mammalian transcription factors, a steady background can be expected. In addition, evidence from yeast suggests that the inducer doxycycline itself has no significant effect on global transcription levels [16]. Thus, it was our aim to develop a single-plasmid EBV vector for doxycycline-regulated gene expression based on the simple TetR. Such a vector has not been reported before.

## Results and Discussion

We have constructed plasmid pEBTet which links all elements necessary for doxycycline-inducible expression with the EBV origin of replication (Fig. 1). The orientation of elements in this vector appears to be critical, since an otherwise identical plasmid with the *tetR* cassette in reverse orientation yielded no viable

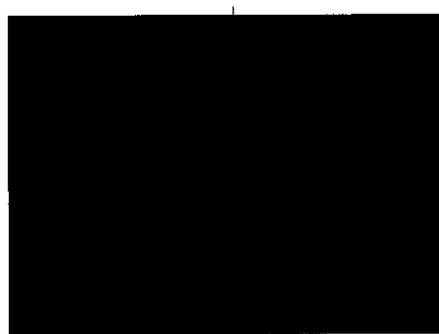


**Fig. 1.** Plasmid map of pEBTet. The backbone (from *oriP* clockwise to the puromycin resistance cassette) stems from pCEP-Pu (see Experimental procedures). pEBTetD (11.2 kb) lacks the bovine growth hormone poly(A) site, but is otherwise identical.

cells after transfection and antibiotic selection (not shown).

Initially we tried to partition all elements to two plasmids in order to avoid a single large plasmid. However, with the two-plasmid system, where both plasmids contained *oriP* and a different selection marker, growth of transfected cells was unsteady, perhaps because of *oriP* interference. Actually, our worries over the relatively large pEBTet vector (11.5 kb) were unfounded, as standard cloning procedures can be followed.

With pEBTet, the phase of antibiotic selection and cell expansion is much shorter than in other systems outlined above. It takes only about a week after transfection until it is possible to harvest a fully grown culture flask (175 cm<sup>2</sup>). For all subsequent analysis, pooled cells were used. With seven cDNAs coding for transport proteins, northern blot analysis of 293 cells transfected with the respective pEBTet plasmids consistently revealed strong transcription in the on-state (= 100%) and low background (1–2%, measured by radioluminography) in the off-state (Fig. 2; Table 1). We have observed comparable ratios (100 : 1) with the Flp-In<sup>TM</sup>-T-Rex<sup>TM</sup> system. Thus, as far as regulation of transcription is concerned, the pEBTet vector works



**Fig. 2.** Northern analysis: regulation of transcription with pEB-Tet/OCT1h and pEBTetD/OCT1h. mRNA was isolated from stably transfected 293 cell pools that had been cultured with or without 1  $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$  doxycycline for 20 h. The RNA blot was first hybridized with a human OCT1 probe. Without stripping, the blot was then hybridized with a GAPDH probe to determine RNA loading.

well: in the off-state, *tetO2* elements are sufficiently covered by TetR to block transcription almost completely.

Transporter expression in 293 cells was assayed functionally by initial rates of uptake of substrates; initial rates of uptake are directly proportional to transporter number. With the ergothioneine transporter from human (ETTh; see Fig. 3A) and enhanced green fluorescent protein (eGFP) chimeras of ETTh and of ORCTL3h (not shown), the high signal-to-noise ratio of the mRNA corresponded to a similar ratio for transport function or eGFP fluorescence intensity. However, with OCT1h (Fig. 3B) and OCT2h (not shown) we obtained inadequate ratios; for our assays, we aim for at least a 10 : 1 ratio. It was reasoned that with some cDNAs, even the low mRNA levels in the off-state generate, because of highly efficient translation, considerable amounts of protein. A 100-fold increase in mRNA level does not increase protein in an equivalent proportion because of the limited capacity of the synthesis machinery, especially for membrane proteins [17]. To improve the signal-to-noise ratio, we thus aimed to reduce the efficiency of translation. In our first attempt, we constructed three variants of pEBTet with hairpins of graded stability ( $\Delta G = -26, -33, \text{ or } -40 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ , calculated with MFOLD [18] version 3.2; 1 cal = 4.184 J) in the 5'-untranslated region downstream of the tandem *tetO2* element. The hairpins were intended to block ribosome progression [19]. Unfortunately, even with the most stable hairpin, the functional signal-to-noise ratio was only slightly improved (not shown).

Our second attempt was based on the notion that the number of translations per mRNA molecule may

**Table 1.** Regulation of transcription of transporter cDNAs with pEBTet and pEBTetD vectors. For each construct, mRNA was isolated from stably transfected 293 cell pools that had been cultured either with or without  $1 \mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$  doxycycline for 20 h. mRNA was quantitated by northern analysis with radiolabelled probes followed by radioluminography. RNA blots were successively analyzed with a transporter probe and with a GAPDH probe (cf. Fig. 2). Relative background transcription was calculated from the ratios of signals for transporter mRNA and GAPDH mRNA. With OCT1, OCT2, and CAT4 both vectors were analyzed alongside on a single blot. OCT, organic cation transporter; CAT, cationic amino acid transporter.

Transporter cDNA (human)		Vector	Transporter mRNA/GAPDH mRNA		Relative background transcription (%)
Name	Gene symbol		Doxycycline +	Doxycycline -	
ETT	<i>SLC22A4</i>	pEBTet	0.014	1.4	1.0
ORCTL3	<i>SLC22A13</i>	pEBTet	0.014	1.6	0.9
FLIPT1	<i>SLC22A16</i>	pEBTet	0.0011	0.096	1.1
EMT	<i>SLC22A3</i>	pEBTet	0.0052	0.33	1.6
OCT1	<i>SLC22A1</i>	pEBTet	0.045	1.9	2.3
		pEBTetD	0.0017	0.22	0.8
OCT2	<i>SLC22A2</i>	pEBTet	0.068	3.4	2.0
		pEBTetD	0.0077	0.44	1.7
CAT4	<i>SLC7A4</i>	pEBTet	0.031	4.9	0.6
		pEBTetD	0.012	1.5	0.8

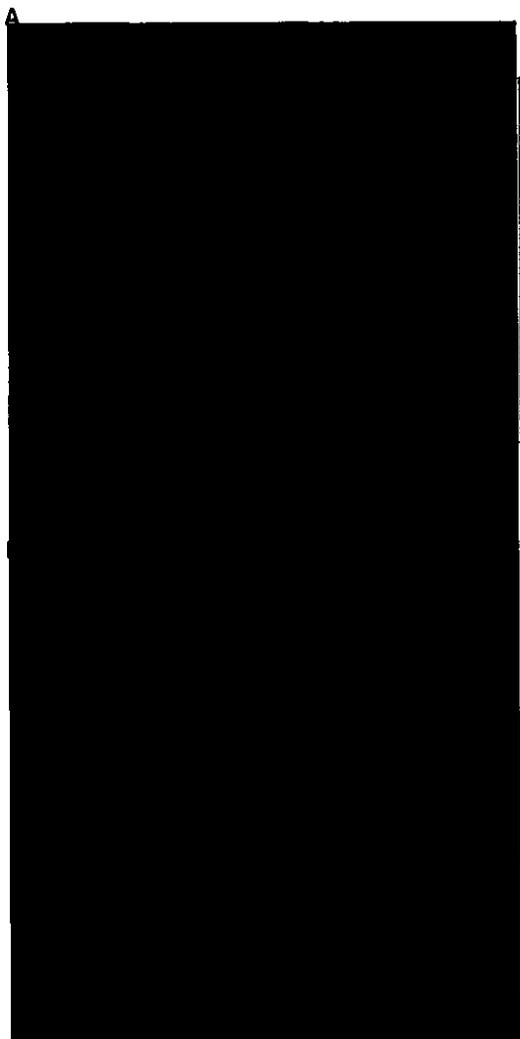
be influenced by the 3' end [20,21]. We thus deleted the bovine growth hormone polyadenylation site downstream from the cDNA of interest (Fig. 1) to generate plasmid pEBTetD (11.2 kb). The corresponding mRNA will then lack a poly(A) tail, which is a major stabilizing factor. Conversely, without a polyadenylation site and thus without endonucleolytic cleavage, the mRNA could become much longer, which would increase stability. However, it became evident from northern analysis (Fig. 2) that *oriP*, which contains 24 EBNA-1 binding sites and a 65 base dyad symmetry element [22], can function as a terminator region of RNA polymerase II. Close inspection revealed that the mRNA of OCT1h was predominantly terminated upstream of the EBNA-1 binding site region. With pEBTetD, the copy number of OCT1h mRNA was reduced as compared with pEBTet by a factor of nine in the on-state and by a factor of 26 in the off-state (Table 1).

With pEBTetD, we obtained a high functional signal-to-noise ratio for OCT1h (Fig. 3B). For ETT, regulation of expression was improved to Flp-In<sup>TM</sup>-T-Rex<sup>TM</sup> system values (Fig. 3A). After 10 weeks of continuous cell culture, the on/off activity ratio was still maintained for ETT (not shown). Figure 4 shows results from analysis of eGFP expression by flow cytometry. With pEBTetD/eGFP-transfected cells the fluorescence intensity in the off-state (median 6.5) was slightly higher than autofluorescence from nontransfected cells (3.0); in the on-state, median fluorescence intensity was strongly increased (84.3; this amounts to stimulation by a factor of 23). By comparison, with pEBTet/eGFP-transfected cells, the median fluorescence intensity was 195 in the off-state and 1860 in

the on-state (this amounts to stimulation by a factor of 9.7). Thus, the background in the off-state was much lower with pEBTetD than with pEBTet. However, in contrast to expression of membrane proteins, the level of expression of cytosolic eGFP in the on-state was higher with pEBTet. It follows that pEBTetD provides low background and moderate expression levels. pEBTet offers very high expression, but the background levels, depending on the cDNA, may be intolerable.

It should be noted that with most cDNAs, dishes of pEBTet-transfected cells showed two- to three-fold reduced protein content after culture with  $1 \mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$  doxycycline for 20 h versus noninduced control cells. No such differences were observed with pEBTetD. It would thus seem that the large amount of polyadenylated mRNA generated in the on-state from pEBTet can impair cell proliferation or viability.

The flow cytometry data for both pEBTet and pEBTetD show a considerable spread in fluorescence intensity; this has also been observed with other expression systems [11]. It remains to be seen whether stably transfected single cell clones can have much higher factors of inducibility than those calculated above for the pools. Bornkamm *et al.* [11] have recently presented an intricate EBV plasmid (pRTS-1; size including eGFP and luciferase cDNAs is 18.4 kb) that uses two fusion proteins, an optimized version of rtTA plus a tTS, to regulate expression from a dual tetracycline promoter. With pRTS-1 there was very high inducibility (e.g. by a factor of 140 000) for single clones in the luciferase assay, while other clones showed hardly any induction when eGFP was assayed. This suggests that for very high inducibility it may be



**Fig. 3.** Validation of pEBTet and pEBTetD vectors on the level of protein function. (A) Regulation of expression ETTh, which resides in the plasma membrane. Ergothioneine (ET) content was assayed by LC-MS/MS. The clearance equals initial rate of specific uptake (= uptake mediated by expressed carrier) divided by substrate concentration. For each of the bars, endogenous ET content was determined in parallel and subtracted from total ET content to yield the carrier-mediated increase of ET during the incubation with substrate (1 min,  $10 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ ). With nontransfected cells, no ET was detected. (B) Regulation of expression of the human organic cation transporter type 1 (OCT1h), which also resides in the plasma membrane. Transporter expression in 293 cells was assayed by initial rates of uptake of radiolabelled 1-methyl-4-phenylpyridinium ( $\text{MPP}^+$ ). Uptake was measured by liquid scintillation counting. Non-specific uptake into nontransfected cells due to diffusion, endocytosis, or binding was subtracted from total uptake to yield the carrier-mediated uptake of  $\text{MPP}^+$  (1 min,  $0.1 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ ) as shown.

necessary to perform clonal selection also with EBV vectors. However, clonal selection eliminates the main benefit of EBV vectors, i.e. to save set-up time. Our

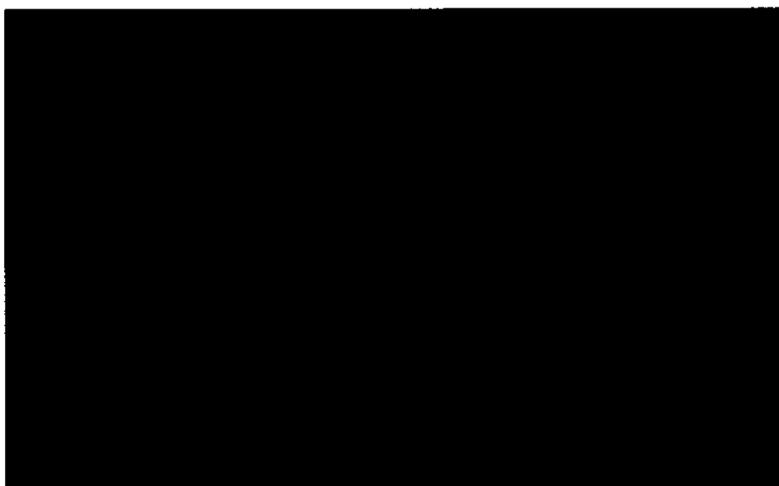
emphasis was therefore on the analysis of cell pools. We do not assume that our system is superior in terms of inducibility of single clones; moreover, as with other systems, stability over culture time is probably limited [11]. However, our results for pEBTetD cell pools in continuous culture up to 10 weeks indicate useful factors of inducibility on the level of protein function. Clearly, in many situations, e.g. in RNA interference experiments, an activity ratio of 10 : 1 is sufficient. Importantly and in contrast to pRTS-1, our vector is based on the simple TetR; the use of chimeric transcription factor domains with the inherent risk of multiple effects on gene expression is avoided.

In summary, we have developed plasmid pEBTetD for full establishment of doxycycline-inducible protein expression in human cell lines by just a single transfection. For closely matching cellular backgrounds we use continuous expression of the original TetR instead of TetR-transactivator fusion proteins. As clonal isolation is unnecessary and because of efficient episomal propagation of the Epstein–Barr vector, our approach saves 2–10 weeks of time.

## Experimental procedures

### Plasmid constructs

All constructs were assembled by standard cloning methods and confirmed by DNA sequencing. The backbone of pEB-Tet stems from pCEP-Pu [23]. The *Tn10*-derived TetR open reading frame and the CMV-*tetO2-tetO2* promoter were taken from pcDNA6/TR and pcDNA5/FRT/TO (Invitrogen, Karlsruhe, Germany), respectively. The nucleotide sequence of plasmid pEBTet (11 486 bases) is available online. pEBTetD (11 200 b) corresponds to pEBTet except for the bovine growth hormone polyadenylation site deletion region: CTCGAG CGATCGCGGC CGCGGGG (original pEBTet sequence underlined). cDNAs were inserted into the polylinkers of pEBTet or pEBTetD. The cDNA sequence of ETTh [9] corresponds to GenBank entry Y09881. For pEBTet/ETTh, the 5' interface between cDNA and pEBTet is AAGCTT GAATTCTGCAGAT TCGA gccacc ATGCGGGA (polylinker in bold, Kozak motif in lower case, cDNA underlined); the 3' interface is ATTTCTAGA TCCAGCAC. For pEBTetD/ETTh, the 5' interface is identical; the 3' interface is ATTTCTAGA TCCAGCACAGTG GCGGCCGCGG. Our cDNA of OCT1h [24] corresponds to GenBank entry X98332 except for 2 bases (228C > T and 1294A > G). For pEB-Tet/OCT1h, the 5' interface is TCGGATCC gccacc ATG CCCAC; the 3' interface is CTCTGCAG CTCGAGTC. For pEBTetD/OCT1h, both interfaces are identical. Our cDNA of the *SLC22A16* gene corresponds to GenBank entry NM\_033125.2 except for two bases (244T > C and



**Fig. 4.** Analysis of eGFP expression in 293 cells by flow cytometry. 293 cell pools stably transfected with either pEBTet/eGFP or pEBTetD/eGFP were cultured with or without  $1 \mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$  doxycycline for 20 h, resuspended, and then analyzed for eGFP fluorescence by flow cytometry. The fluorescence recorded for untransfected control cells corresponds to autofluorescence. Arithmetic means of fluorescence intensity were 3.4 (untransfected cells), 26 (pEBTetD/eGFP, off-state), 400 (pEBTetD/eGFP, on-state), 330 (pEBTet/eGFP, off-state), and 2700 (pEBTet/eGFP, on-state).

1293T > C) (D. Kropf, R. Berkels & D. Gründemann unpublished results). For pEBTet/SLC22A16h, the 5' interface is GGTACC CCCCCGGA; the 3' interface is ATGCCTGC GGGGATCCAC TAGTAACGGC CGCC AGTGTG CTGGAATTCT GCAGATATCC ATCACAC TGGCGGCC. The cDNA of eGFP corresponds to GenBank entry U57609. For pEBTet/eGFP, the 5' interface is GGTACCG CGGGCCGGGATCCATC gccacc ATGG TGA; the 3' interface is CAAGTAAA GCGGCCGC. For pEBTetD/eGFP, the 5' interface is identical; the 3' interface is CAAGTAAA GCGGCCGC.

### Cell culture, transfection, and flow cytometry

293 cells (ATCC CRL-1573), a transformed cell line derived from human embryonic kidney, were grown at  $37^\circ\text{C}$  in a humidified atmosphere (5%  $\text{CO}_2$ ) in plastic culture flasks (Falcon 3112, Becton Dickinson, Heidelberg, Germany). The growth medium was Dulbecco's modified Eagle medium (Life Technologies 31885-023, Invitrogen) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (PAA Laboratories, Cölbe, Germany). Medium was changed every 2–3 days and the culture was split every 5 days.

Cells were transfected with supercoiled plasmid DNA by lipofection with the Tfx-50 reagent according to the protocol of the vendor (Promega, Mannheim, Germany). From the next day on, stably transfected cells were selected with  $3 \mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$  puromycin (PAA Laboratories); puromycin was always present in subsequent cell culture to ascertain plasmid maintenance. To turn on protein expression, cells were cultivated for at least 20 h in regular growth medium supplemented with  $1 \mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$  doxycycline (195044, MP Bio-medicals, Eschwege, Germany). For flow cytometry, cells were resuspended in growth medium and analysed on a FACSCalibur flow cytometer using CELLQUEST PRO software (BD Biosciences, San Jose, CA, USA).

### Transport assays

For measurement of uptake of radiolabelled 1-methyl-4-phenylpyridinium ( $\text{MPP}^+$ ), cells were grown in surface culture on 60 mm polystyrol dishes (Nunc 150288, Nunc, Roskilde, Denmark) precoated with  $0.1 \text{ g}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$  poly L-ornithine in 0.15 M boric acid–NaOH, pH 8.4. Cells were used for uptake experiments at a confluence of at least 70%. Uptake was measured at  $37^\circ\text{C}$ . After preincubation for at least 20 min in 4 mL of uptake buffer (in  $\text{mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ : 125 NaCl, 25 Hepes–NaOH pH 7.4, 5.6 (+)glucose, 4.8 KCl, 1.2  $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$ , 1.2  $\text{CaCl}_2$ , 1.2  $\text{MgSO}_4$ ), the buffer was replaced with 3 mL of [ $^3\text{H}$ ]MPP<sup>+</sup> (at  $0.1 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ ) in uptake buffer. Incubation was stopped after 1 min by rinsing the cells four times each with 4 mL ice-cold uptake buffer. Subsequently, the cells were solubilized with 0.1% v/v Triton X-100 in 5  $\text{mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$  Tris–HCl pH 7.4, and radioactivity was determined by liquid scintillation counting.

Uptake of ergothioneine ( $10 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ ) was determined by LC-ESI-MS/MS. Cells were assayed and washed as above, solubilized with  $4 \text{ mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$   $\text{HClO}_4$  and stored at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$ . After centrifugation (1 min, 16 000 g,  $20^\circ\text{C}$ ) of the thawed lysates, 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of the supernatant was mixed with 10  $\mu\text{L}$  unlabelled MPP<sup>+</sup> iodide ( $5.0 \text{ ng}\cdot\mu\text{L}^{-1}$ ), which served as the internal standard. Of this mixture, 20  $\mu\text{L}$  samples were analyzed by LC-MS/MS on a triple quadrupole mass spectrometer (TSQ Quantum, Thermo Electron, Dreieich, Germany). Atmospheric pressure ionization with positive electrospray was used. The LC system consisted of Surveyor LC-pump, autosampler, and Waters Atlantis HILIC silica column (length 100 mm, diameter 3 mm, particle size 5  $\mu\text{m}$ ). The solvent for isocratic chromatography (flow rate  $250 \mu\text{L}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$ ) was made of methanol (70%) and 0.1% formic acid (30%). For quantification of ergothioneine by selected reaction monitoring,  $m/z$  230 and

$m/z$  127 were selected as parent and fragment, respectively (collision energy: 24 V; scan time: 0.3 s). The area of the intensity versus time peak was integrated and divided by the area of the  $MPP^+$  peak to yield the analyte response ratio. Linear calibration curves ( $R^2 > 0.99$ ) were constructed from at least six standards which were prepared using control cell lysates as solvent. Sample analyte content was calculated from the analyte response ratio and the slope of the calibration curve, obtained by weighted linear regression.

For radiotracer assays, protein was measured by the bicinchoninic acid assay [25] with bovine serum albumin as standard. The protein content of MS samples was estimated from the response ratio for proline, which was calibrated against the bicinchoninic acid assay (4–6 matched cell dishes) for each MS session.

### Northern blot analysis

Northern analysis was performed with  $^{33}P$ -labelled double-stranded DNA probes essentially as described in [26]. Radioactivity was quantitated with a Fujifilm BAS-1800 II analyzer. Transcripts were normalized by reference to glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH) levels.

### Calculations

Arithmetic means ( $n = 3$ ) are given with SEM.

### Drugs

Radiotracers used were as follows:  $MPP^+$  iodide (H-3, 2.2 kBq/pmol $^{-1}$ , ART-150, ARC, St Louis, MO, USA).

Unlabeled compounds used were as follows:  $MPP^+$  iodide (D-048, Sigma-Aldrich, Munich, Germany), L-(+)-ergothioneine (F-3455, Bachem, Bubendorf, Switzerland). All other chemicals were at least of analytical grade.

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## CellLight® Mitochondria-RFP, BacMam 2.0

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### Description

CellLight® Mitochondria-RFP is a modified insect virus (baculovirus) expressing a fusion construct of a mitochondrial marker and red fluorescent protein. CellLight® reagents combine the utility and selectivity of fluorescent proteins with the transduction efficiency of BacMam technology, enabling unambiguous staining of organelles, cellular structures, and processes in live mammalian cells. They are provided in a ready-to-use format—simply add, incubate, and image—with highly efficient expression in cell lines, primary cells, stem cells, and neurons.

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#### CellLight® Reagents Principle

CellLight® reagents are fusion constructs of signal peptides or cell structure proteins with premiere emGFP, TagRFP or CFP for accurate and specific targeting to sub-cellular compartments and structures. A variety of targets, including cytoskeleton, mitochondria, and secretory compartments, are available for convenient multiplexing, co-localization studies, and imaging of dynamic cellular processes where high spatial and temporal resolution is required. The CellLight® reagents tolerate fixation with formaldehyde and are therefore compatible with fixed-cell analysis.

#### BacMam Technology

The BacMam technology is based on an insect virus (baculovirus) for efficient transduction and transient expression in mammalian cells. The baculovirus has been modified to include an expression cassette containing the CellLight® fusion construct.

BacMam 2.0 incorporates elements that help greatly enhance transduction efficiency and expression levels: a pseudotyped capsid protein for more efficient cell entry, an enhanced CMV promoter, and the Woodchuck hepatitis post-transcriptional regulatory element (WPRE).

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#### Work Flow Convenience

Unlike expression vectors, BacMam reagents enable titratable and reproducible transient protein expression. There is no need for harsh transfection methods or tedious cloning. To achieve highly efficient expression even in sensitive cells, such as stem cells, neurons, and primary cells, just add CellLight® reagents to cells in complete medium, incubate, and image the next day. Alternatively, mix CellLight® reagent and cells at the time of plating.

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**Label or Dye:** RFP (TagRFP)

**Emission Class:** Visible

**Excitation Class:** Visible

**Flow Cytometer Laser Lines:** 532

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## Material Safety Data Sheet

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### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name	:	<b>Cholera Toxin Vibrio cholerae</b>	
Product Number	:	C8052	
Brand	:	Sigma	
Product Use	:	For laboratory research purposes.	
Supplier	:	Sigma-Aldrich Canada, Ltd 2149 Winston Park Drive OAKVILLE ON L6H 6J8 CANADA	Manufacturer : Sigma-Aldrich Corporation 3050 Spruce St. St. Louis, Missouri 63103 USA
Telephone	:	+1 9058299500	
Fax	:	+1 9058299292	
Emergency Phone # (For both supplier and manufacturer)	:	1-800-424-9300	
Preparation Information	:	Sigma-Aldrich Corporation Product Safety - Americas Region 1-800-521-8956	

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

#### Target Organs

Bowel

#### WHMIS Classification

D2B	Toxic Material Causing Other Toxic Effects	Moderate skin irritant
		Moderate eye irritant

#### GHS Classification

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4)  
 Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4)  
 Skin irritation (Category 3)  
 Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3)  
 Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 3)

#### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word                      Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H302 + H312	Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin.
H316	Causes mild skin irritation.
H412	Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing.

#### HMIS Classification

Health hazard:	2
Chronic Health Hazard:	*

Flammability: 0  
Physical hazards: 0

#### Potential Health Effects

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.  
**Skin** Harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.  
**Eyes** Causes eye irritation.  
**Ingestion** Harmful if swallowed.

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### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Cholera enterotoxin  
Cholergen

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
<b>Tris (hydroxymethyl) aminomethane</b>			
77-86-1	201-064-4	-	>= 5.82 - <= 5.94 %
<b>2-Amino-2-(hydroxymethyl)propane-1,3-diol hydrochloride</b>			
1185-53-1	214-684-5	-	>= 31.3 - <= 31.9 %
<b>Edetate disodium dihydrate</b>			
6381-92-6	205-358-3	-	>= 1.83 - <= 1.87 %
<b>Sodium chloride</b>			
7647-14-5	231-598-3	-	>= 57.6 - <= 58.8 %
<b>Exotoxin, vibrio cholerae</b>			
9012-63-9	-	-	>= 0.5 - <= 2.5 %
<b>Sodium azide</b>			
26628-22-8	247-852-1	011-004-00-7	>= 0.96 - <= 0.98 %

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

#### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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### 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

#### Conditions of flammability

Not flammable or combustible.

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

#### Special protective equipment for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**Hazardous combustion products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Nature of decomposition products not known.  
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Hydrogen chloride gas, Sodium oxides

**Explosion data - sensitivity to mechanical impact**

no data available

**Explosion data - sensitivity to static discharge**

no data available

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****Personal precautions**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust.

**Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

**Conditions for safe storage**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

**Personal protective equipment****Respiratory protection**

For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

**Hand protection**

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

**Eye protection**

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

**Skin and body protection**

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

**Hygiene measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

**Specific engineering controls**

Use mechanical exhaust or laboratory fumehood to avoid exposure.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form	solid
Colour	no data available

### Safety data

pH	no data available
Melting point/freezing point	no data available
Boiling point	no data available
Flash point	no data available
Ignition temperature	no data available
Autoignition temperature	no data available
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Vapour pressure	no data available
Density	no data available
Water solubility	no data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	no data available
Relative vapour density	no data available
Odour	no data available
Odour Threshold	no data available
Evaporation rate	no data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

### Conditions to avoid

no data available

### Materials to avoid

Dimethyl sulfate, Acid chlorides, Halogenated hydrocarbon, Metals, Acids

### Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Nature of decomposition products not known.

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Hydrogen chloride gas, Sodium oxides

Other decomposition products - no data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity

#### Oral LD50

no data available

#### Inhalation LC50

no data available

**Dermal LD50**

no data available

**Other information on acute toxicity**

no data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

no data available

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes: no data available

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

no data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

no data available

**Carcinogenicity**

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

**Reproductive toxicity**

no data available

**Teratogenicity**

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

no data available

**Aspiration hazard**

no data available

**Potential health effects**

<b>Inhalation</b>	May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Harmful if swallowed.
<b>Skin</b>	Harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
<b>Eyes</b>	Causes eye irritation.

**Signs and Symptoms of Exposure**

Laboratory experiments in animals have shown sodium azide to produce a profound hypotensive effect, demyelination of myelinated nerve fibers in the central nervous system, testicular damage, blindness, attacks of rigidity, and hepatic and cerebral effects.

**Synergistic effects**

no data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: Not available

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Toxicity**

no data available

**Persistence and degradability**

no data available

**Bioaccumulative potential**

no data available

**Mobility in soil**

no data available

**PBT and vPvB assessment**

no data available

**Other adverse effects**

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**DOT (US)**

Not dangerous goods

**IMDG**

Not dangerous goods

**IATA**

Not dangerous goods

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**WHMIS Classification**

D2B	Toxic Material Causing Other Toxic Effects	Moderate skin irritant
		Moderate eye irritant

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Text of H-code(s) and R-phrases mentioned in Section 3**

**Further information**

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### TOXIN USE RISK ASSESSMENT

<b>Name of Toxin:</b>	Cholera toxin
<b>Proposed Use Dose:</b>	0.1 µg
<b>Proposed Storage Dose:</b>	1000 µg
<b>LD<sub>50</sub> (species):</b>	250 µg

<b>Calculation:</b>			
	250 µg/kg	x	50 kg/person
	Dose per person based on LD <sub>50</sub> in µg = 12500		
<b>LD<sub>50</sub> per person with safety factor of 10 based on LD<sub>50</sub> in µg =</b>			<b>1250</b>

**Comments/Recommendations:**

Note from e-mail by Cindy Shao (03/29/2012) - 1mL medium is added to 100 ng toxin

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## Product Information

### Cholera Toxin from *Vibrio cholerae*

Catalog Number **C8052**

Storage Temperature 2–8 °C

CAS RN 9012-63-9

Synonyms: Cholera enterotoxin; Cholera toxin

#### Product Description

Cholera toxin is the virulent factor from *Vibrio cholerae* that leads to severe diarrhea followed by dehydration in humans.<sup>1,2</sup> Several bacterial toxins are ADP-ribosyltransferases with protein substrates. Many of the substrates ADP-ribosylated by bacterial protein toxins are G-proteins, which are involved in signal transduction and ADP-ribosylation is one of the more significant post translational modifications of proteins. The ADP-ribosylation activity of cholera toxin activates adenylate cyclase, resulting in the production of cyclic AMP by adenylate cyclase, which causes many metabolic alterations.<sup>1,2</sup>

Cholera toxin belongs to the AB<sub>5</sub>-subunit family of toxins.<sup>1</sup> The native hexameric protein has a molecular mass of ~85 kDa and contains two subunits. It consists of a single A subunit (~27.2 kDa), responsible for the ADP-ribosylation activity, and five B subunits (~11.6 kDa each), which are arranged as a pentameric ring with an apparent 5-fold symmetry and are associated with the cell surface receptor binding and subsequent internalization (transmembrane transport) of the enzymatic component.<sup>3,4</sup>

A single isoelectric variant of the cholera toxin has been isolated, which crystallizes readily and reproducibly.<sup>5</sup> Cholera toxin has an isoelectric point (pI) of 6.6. Chromatographic properties, however, suggest a cationic surface is exposed at pH 7.0, which apparently resides in B subunit.<sup>6</sup>

The entire hexameric complex is required for toxic behaviour. Cholera toxin, the intact pentamer of B subunits, interacts with a ganglioside G<sub>M1</sub> membrane receptor, but cannot activate adenylate cyclase; whereas, the A subunit alone does not enter the cell.<sup>7</sup>

Due to the effect on adenylate cyclase, cholera toxin and its purified A subunit are frequently used for the study of signal transduction mechanisms. In addition, cholera toxin acts as an adjuvant through the stimulation of B lymphocytes.

The cholera toxin B subunit alone is used for tracking in neurological research, taking advantage of G<sub>M1</sub> ganglioside binding and retrograde transport. Tissue culture cells treated with cholera toxin are not killed and tissues of animals do not become necrotic.

The B subunit is non-toxic to cells and possesses no intrinsic adenylate cyclase activity. The cholera toxin B subunit (CTB) attaches to cells by binding to ganglioside G<sub>M1</sub>.<sup>8</sup> As a result, it has been shown to be a good label for microglial cells (due to the enrichment of ganglioside G<sub>M1</sub> on their cell surface), but not for oligodendrocytes or astrocytes.<sup>9</sup> The B subunit has been reported to be an excellent tracer for the study of axonal transport using immunohistochemical methods. Recently it has been widely used as a marker of membrane lipid rafts, which are membrane microdomains enriched with cholesterol and sphingolipids. These lipid rafts have an important role in cell signaling and protein trafficking.<sup>10</sup>

This product is the active, native cholera toxin (composed of the A and the B subunits). It is a lyophilized powder containing ~5% protein (Lowry-TCA). When reconstituted with water to a final concentration of 1 mg cholera toxin per ml, the solution will contain 0.05 M Tris buffer salts, pH 7.5, 0.2 M NaCl, 3 mM NaN<sub>3</sub>, and 1 mM sodium EDTA.

Purity: ~95% (SDS-PAGE)

#### Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices

### Preparation Instructions

Cholera toxin is soluble in water at a concentration of 10 mg/ml. Swirl bottles gently during reconstitution. Avoid vigorous pipetting of solutions that may lead to foaming. Solutions can be filtered through a 0.2 µm filter.

### Storage/Stability

The product was prepared and packaged using aseptic technique and sealed under vacuum. Store the lyophilized powder and reconstituted solutions at 2–8 °C.

The product, as supplied, is stable 3 years when stored properly.

Solutions are reported to be stable for 1 year when stored at 2-8 °C and will lose biological activity after prolonged exposure to pH below 6 or above 8.<sup>6</sup>  
DO NOT FREEZE.

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