# mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1

# Defined, Feeder-Independent hESC & hiPSC Maintenance Medium

# mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1 is the Most Widely Published Feeder-Independent hESC & hiPSC Maintenance Medium

mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1 is a standardized medium for the feeder-independent maintenance of hESCs and hiPSCs.<sup>1</sup> It is a complete, serum-free, defined formulation based on Ludwig et al.<sup>2</sup> and developed under license from the WiCell<sup>™</sup> Research Institute. To date, mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1 has been used successfully to maintain over 50 independently derived hESC and hiPSC lines.

mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1 is designed to be used with BD Matrigel<sup>™</sup> hESCqualified Matrix (BD Catalog #354277) as a substrate. STEMCELL Technologies pre-qualifies each batch of BD Matrigel<sup>™</sup> to ensure consistency, reproducibility and reliability in performance.



PRODUCT	QUANTITY	CATALOG #	
mTeSR™1	500 mL	05850	
	10 x 500 mL	05870	
	25 x 500 mL	05875	
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## Advantages of mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1

· Complete formulation that is defined and serum-free

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- · No feeder or conditioned media preparation
- Standardized culture method minimizes experimental variability

### FIGURE 1. Consistent Expansion of hESCs & hiPSCs in mTeSR™1



H1 and H9 hESCs were expanded in mTeSRTM1 for 19 and 18 passages respectively. Cultures show 7- to 10-fold expansion consistently across passages.



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FIGURE 2. Morphology of hESCs & hiPSCs Cultured in mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1



Morphology of hESC and hiPSC lines cultured in mTeSR™1 varies slightly compared to feeder-containing or conditioned medium cultures - colonies have defined edges and high nucleus to cytoplasm ratio. Representative hiPSC lines (A) MSC-iPSC1 and (B) iPSC(IMR90)-3 and (C and D) H9 hESCs are pictured.

hiPSC photographs courtesy of M. O'Connor and C. Eaves, The Vancouver Human Embryonic Stem Cell Core Facility.

FIGURE 4. hESCs & hiPSCs Cultured in mTeSR™1 Retain Expression of Pluripotency Markers



Flow cytometric analysis of H9 hESCs maintained in mTeSR™1 for 17 passages.

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FIGURE 3. hESCs & hiPSCs Cultured Long-Term in mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1 Retain Normal Karyotype



Chromosomal analysis of H1 hESCs cultured in mTeSR™1 for 48 passages shows that normal karyotype is retained during long-term passaging.

#### FIGURE 5. hESCs & hiPSCs Cultured in mTeSR™1 are Pluripotent





Cartilage



Muscle



H9 hESCs were cultured for 6 passages in mTeSR™1 then injected subcutaneously into immunocompromised mice. The resulting teratoma contained cell types from all 3 germ layers. Representative tissue types are shown.

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