mTeSR™1 Without Phenol Red

Defined, feeder-free maintenance medium for human ES and iPS cells

Catalog #05876 1 Kit



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Product Description

mTeSRTM1 medium is a complete, serum-free, defined formulation designed for the feeder-free maintenance and expansion of human embryonic stem (ES) cells^{1,2} and human induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells³⁻⁵ in the undifferentiated state. mTeSRTM1 Without Phenol Red is for applications in which the absence of phenol red may be desirable, such as live fluorescence imaging of cell cultures. Complete mTeSRTM1 Without Phenol Red medium (Basal Medium + 5X Supplement) contains recombinant human basic fibroblast growth factor (rh bFGF) and recombinant human transforming growth factor β (rh TGFβ). Addition of further growth factors is not required.

mTeSR™1 Without Phenol Red may be used with either Corning® Matrigel® hESC-Qualified Matrix (Catalog #07181) or Vitronectin XF™ (Catalog #07180, a matrix developed and manufactured by Nucleus Biologics) as the culture matrix.

Each lot of mTeSR™1 5X Supplement is used to prepare complete mTeSR™1 medium and then performance tested in a culture assay using human pluripotent stem cells.

Component Storage and Stability

The following components are sold as part of the mTeSR™1 Without Phenol Red kit (Catalog #05876) and are not available for individual sale.

COMPONENT NAME	COMPONENT #	SIZE	STORAGE	SHELF LIFE
mTeSR™1 Without Phenol Red Basal Medium	05877	400 mL	Store at 2 - 8°C. Do not freeze.	Stable for 12 months from date of manufacture (MFG) on label.
mTeSR™1 5X Supplement	05852	100 mL	Store at -20°C.	Stable until expiry date (EXP) on label.

Preparation of Complete mTeSR™1 Without Phenol Red Medium

Use sterile technique to prepare complete mTeSR™1 Without Phenol Red medium (Basal Medium + 5X Supplement). The following example is for preparing 500 mL of complete medium. If preparing other volumes, adjust accordingly.

NOTE: Thaw supplement or complete medium at room temperature (15 - 25°C) or overnight at 2 - 8°C. Do not thaw in a 37°C water bath.

- 1. Thaw mTeSR™1 5X Supplement and mix thoroughly.
 - NOTE: Once thawed, use supplement immediately or aliquot and store at -20°C for up to 3 months. Do not exceed the shelf life of the supplement. After thawing the aliquoted supplement, use immediately. Do not re-freeze.
- 2. Add 100 mL of mTeSR™1 5X Supplement to 400 mL of mTeSR™1 Without Phenol Red Basal Medium. Mix thoroughly.
 - NOTE: If not used immediately, store complete mTeSR™1 Without Phenol Red medium at 2 8°C for up to 2 weeks. Alternatively, aliquot and store at -20°C for up to 6 months. Do not exceed the shelf life of the individual components. After thawing the aliquoted complete medium, use immediately or store at 2 8°C for up to 2 weeks. Do not re-freeze.
 - If prepared aseptically, complete mTeSRTM1 Without Phenol Red medium is ready for use. If desired, the medium can be filtered using a 0.2 0.22 μ m low protein binding polyethersulfone (PES) filter unit (e.g. Fisher 09-741-04 [0.2 μ m, 250 mL]; Fisher SCGP00525 [0.22 μ m, 50 mL]).

Directions for Use

For complete instructions on how to maintain human ES and iPS cells in mTeSRTM1, refer to the Technical Manual: Maintenance of Human Pluripotent Stem Cells in mTeSRTM1 (Document #10000005505) available at www.stemcell.com or contact us to request a copy.



Assessment of hPSCs

The following antibodies can be used to characterize hPSCs by flow cytometry or immunocytochemistry:

- Anti-Human SSEA-4 Antibody, Clone MC-813-70 (Catalog #60062)
- Anti-Human TRA-1-60 Antibody, Clone TRA-1-60R (Catalog #60064)
- Anti-Human OCT4 (OCT3) Antibody, Clone 3A2A20 (Catalog #60093)

For complete flow cytometry protocols and antibodies that can be used, refer to the Technical Manual: Maintenance of Human Pluripotent Stem Cells in mTeSR™1 (Document #10000005505), available at www.stemcell.com or contact us to request a copy.

Related Products

For related products, including specialized cell culture and storage media, matrices, antibodies, cytokines, and small molecules, visit www.stemcell.com/hPSCworkflow or contact us at techsupport@stemcell.com.

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