

## **Product Description**

TeSR<sup>TM</sup>-E7<sup>TM</sup> is a serum-free, low-protein, and xeno-free medium that was originally developed for reprogramming fibroblasts with episomally delivered reprogramming vectors.<sup>1</sup> TeSR<sup>TM</sup>-E7<sup>TM</sup> has a similar formulation to TeSR<sup>TM</sup>-E8<sup>TM</sup>, with the removal of TGF- $\beta$ , to reduce fibroblast overgrowth and promote mesenchymal-to-epithelial transition. TeSR<sup>TM</sup>-E7<sup>TM</sup> is intended for cellular reprogramming of human somatic cells (e.g. fibroblasts) to induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells.

This medium may be used with either Vitronectin XF™ (Catalog #07180), developed and manufactured by Primorigen Biosciences, or Corning® Matrigel® hESC-qualified matrix (Corning Catalog #354277).

## **Product Information**

The following components are sold as a complete kit (Catalog #05910) and are not available for individual sale.

COMPONENT NAME	COMPONENT #	SIZE	STORAGE	SHELF LIFE
TeSR™-E7™ Basal Medium	05911	474 mL	Store at 2 - 8°C.	Stable for 12 months from date of manufacture (MFG) on label.
TeSR™-E7™ 20X Supplement	05912	25 mL	Store at -20°C.	Stable for 18 months from date of manufacture (MFG) on label.
TeSR™-E7™ 500X Supplement	05913	1 mL	Store at -20°C.	Stable for 12 months from date of manufacture (MFG) on label.

Please refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for hazard information.

## Preparation of Complete TeSR™-E7™ Medium

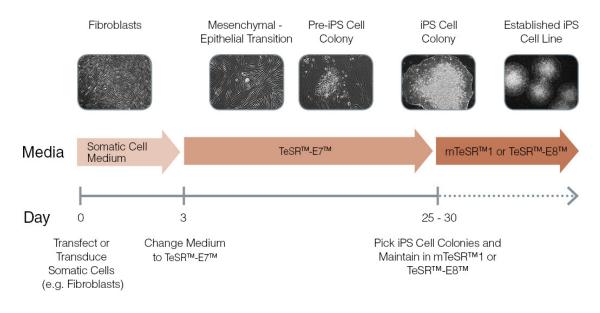
Use sterile techniques to prepare complete TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E7<sup>™</sup> medium (Basal Medium + 20X Supplement + 500X Supplement). The following example is for preparing 500 mL of complete medium. If preparing other volumes, adjust accordingly.

- Thaw 20X Supplement and 500X Supplement at room temperature (15 25°C) or at 2 8°C just prior to use. Mix thoroughly. NOTE: Once thawed, use immediately or aliquot and store at -20°C. Do not exceed the shelf life of the supplement. After thawing the aliquots, use immediately. Do not re-freeze.
- 2. Add 25 mL of 20X Supplement and 1 mL of 500X Supplement to 474 mL of Basal Medium. Mix thoroughly.

NOTE: If prepared using sterile techniques, complete TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E7<sup>™</sup> medium is ready for use and does not require filtering. If not used immediately, store complete TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E7<sup>™</sup> medium at 2 - 8°C for up to 2 weeks. Alternatively, aliquot and store at -20°C for up to 1 month. Do not exceed the shelf life of the individual components. Thaw complete TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E7<sup>™</sup> medium at room temperature (15 - 25°C) or overnight at 2 - 8°C. Once thawed, use medium within 1 week. Do not re-freeze.



# Reprogramming Time Course



# Directions for Use

Please read the entire protocol before proceeding.

Indicated volumes are for a single well of a 6-well plate. If using alternative cultureware, adjust volumes accordingly.

1. On **Day 0**, transfect or transduce somatic cells using desired reprogramming vector system. Plate transfected/transduced cells onto desired matrix, such as Vitronectin XF<sup>™</sup> or Corning® Matrigel®.

NOTE: Transfection/transduction protocol should be optimized for each vector system and cell type. For a detailed example refer to the Technical Bulletin: Reprogramming Human Dermal Fibroblasts in TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E7<sup>™</sup> to Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells Using an Episomal Vector System (Document #28065), available at www.stemcell.com or contact us to request a copy.

- 2. On **Day 1**, aspirate medium and add 2 mL of medium specific to the somatic cell type being reprogrammed. Incubate at 37°C for 48 hours.
- 3. On **Day 3**, aspirate medium and add 2 mL of complete TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E7<sup>™</sup> medium. Incubate at 37°C for 24 hours.
- 4. Perform daily medium changes (2 mL/well) using complete TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E7<sup>™</sup>. Monitor the cells until iPS cell colonies appear.

NOTE: iPS cell colonies typically arise between days 20 - 30 but may vary depending on cell type and vector system used. To achieve optimal reprogramming efficiency, it is recommended to use somatic cells at low passage. For a representative example of an iPS cell colony, refer to the figure.

NOTE: It is acceptable once per week to double feed the cells (i.e. add 4 mL of TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E7<sup>™</sup> per well) and skip a medium change the following day during the first 2 weeks of reprogramming.

- 5. Manually isolate putative iPS cell colonies. Use either a 22 25 gauge needle or a pulled glass pipette to cut the putative iPS cell colony into small fragments. Then use a 200 µL micropipette with a filtered pipette tip to scrape and aspirate colony fragments. NOTE: If there are many untransfected, partially reprogrammed and/or differentiated cells surrounding the putative iPS cell colony, these may need to be scraped away prior to isolating the iPS cell colony.
- 6. Immediately plate iPS cell colony fragments on cultureware coated with desired matrix (e.g. Vitronectin XF™ or Corning® Matrigel®) and containing iPS cell maintenance medium (e.g. mTeSR™1 or TeSR™2E8™).

NOTE: To facilitate the initial attachment of iPS cell colony fragments, add Y-27632 (Catalog #72302) to the maintenance medium at a final concentration of 10 µM. After 24 hours, replace the maintenance medium (without Y-27632).

7. Incubate at 37°C and perform iPS cell maintenance medium changes accordingly.

NOTE: For complete instructions on how to maintain iPS cells using mTeSR<sup>™</sup>1 or TeSR<sup>™</sup>-E8<sup>™</sup>, please refer to the corresponding documents listed in the table below. Documents are available at www.stemcell.com or contact us to request a copy.



PRODUCT	CATALOG #	DOCUMENT #
mTeSR™1	85850/85857/85870/85875	28315
TeSR™-E8™	05940	29267

#### References

1. Chen G et al. (2011) Chemically defined conditions for human iPSC derivation and culture. Nat Methods 8(5): 424-9.



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