

ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium

Serum-free and xeno-free medium for the expansion of human T cells

Catalog # 10981 500 mL



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Product Description

ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium is a serum-free and xeno-free medium optimized for the in vitro culture and expansion of human T cells isolated from peripheral blood. Recombinant cytokines, required for the optimal growth and expansion of T cells, have not been added to ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium. This allows users the flexibility to prepare medium that meets their requirements.

- No need to supplement the medium with serum
- Supports robust T cell expansion with high viability after 10 - 12 days of culture
- Expanded T cells are able to produce cytokines including IFN-gamma and IL-4 upon restimulation
- Use with ImmunoCult™ Human T Cell Activators (Catalog #10970 and 10971) for bead-free activation of T cells

Properties

Storage: Store at 2 - 8°C. Do not freeze.

Shelf Life: Stable until expiry date (EXP) on label.

This product contains material derived from human plasma. Donors have been tested and found negative for HIV-1 and -2, hepatitis B, and hepatitis C prior to donation. However, this product should be considered potentially infectious and treated in accordance with universal handling precautions.

Handling / Directions For Use

NOTE: If precipitate is observed in the medium, centrifuge or filter using a using a 0.2 - 0.22 µm low protein binding polyethersulfone (PES) filter unit (e.g. Fisher 09-741-04 [0.2 µm, 250 mL]; Fisher SCGP00525 [0.22 µm, 50 mL]). This will not affect performance of the medium.

The following protocol is for the expansion of activated human T cells using ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium. Depending on the experimental objectives, the protocol may need to be optimized (e.g. cell seeding density or cytokine concentration).

1. Isolate human T cells from fresh or previously frozen peripheral blood mononuclear cells, or leukapheresis samples, using one of the following EasySep™ kits:
 - EasySep™ Release Human CD3 Positive Selection Kit (Catalog #17751)
 - EasySep™ Human T Cell Enrichment Kit (Catalog #19051)
 - EasySep™ Human T Cell Isolation Kit (Catalog #17951)NOTE: Isolated T cells can be cryopreserved using CryoStor® CS5 (Catalog # 07933) or CryoStor® CS10 (Catalog # 07930) and stored at -135°C.
2. Day 0:
 - a. Prepare fresh complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium as follows:
Add cytokines (e.g. Human Recombinant IL-2; Catalog #78036) to ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium. Mix thoroughly.
NOTE: Complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium must be prepared fresh on each day of use.
 - b. Seed viable human T cells (prepared in step 1) in fresh complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium (prepared in step 2a) at 1×10^6 cells/mL.
4. To activate T cells, add 25 µL/mL of ImmunoCult™ Human CD3/CD28/CD2 T Cell Activator (Catalog #10970) or ImmunoCult™ Human CD3/CD28 T Cell Activator (Catalog #10971) to the cell suspension. Incubate cells at 37°C and 5% CO₂ for 3 days.
5. Day 3: Mix the cell suspension thoroughly and perform a viable cell count. Increase the volume of the cell suspension 8-fold (adjust the viable cell density to $\sim 1.0 - 2.5 \times 10^5$ cells/mL) by adding fresh complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium. Incubate at 37°C and 5% CO₂ for 2 days.

6. Day 5: Mix the cell suspension thoroughly and perform a viable cell count. Increase the volume at least 4-fold (adjust the viable cell density to $\sim 1.0 - 3.0 \times 10^5$ cells/mL) by adding fresh complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium. Incubate at 37°C and 5% CO₂ for 2 days.
7. Day 7: Mix the cell suspension thoroughly and perform a viable cell count. Increase the volume at least 4-fold (adjust the viable cell density to $\sim 1.0 - 6.0 \times 10^5$ cells/mL) by adding fresh complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium. Incubate at 37°C and 5% CO₂ for 3 days.
8. Day 10: Harvest cells if the desired cell number is achieved.
OPTIONAL: Perform a viable cell count and maintain cell density at $0.5 - 1.0 \times 10^6$ cells/mL by adding fresh complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium. Incubate at 37°C and 5% CO₂ for 2 days, then harvest cells.
9. For longer-term expansion (> 12 days) of human T cells:
 - a. Harvest and resuspend the expanded T cells at 1×10^6 cells/mL in fresh complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium.
 - b. Restimulate by adding 25 μ L/mL of ImmunoCult™ Human CD3/CD28/CD2 T Cell Activator or ImmunoCult™ Human CD3/CD28 T Cell Activator.
 - c. Incubate at 37°C and 5% CO₂. Every 2 - 3 days adjust cell density by adding fresh complete ImmunoCult™-XF T Cell Expansion Medium.

NOTE: Ensure to add fresh complete medium every 2 - 3 days; do not wait more than 3 days between medium additions.

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