

CCRF-CEM-C7 Cells | 300398

General information

Description

The CCRF-CEM-C7 cell line is a clone derived from the parent CCRF-CEM cell line, which itself originates from a human acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) of the T-cell type. This cell line was established from peripheral blood taken from a 4-year-old female patient with ALL. The CCRF-CEM-C7 cell line is extensively used in biomedical research, particularly in studies related to cancer biology, drug screening, and mechanisms of chemotherapy resistance.

CCRF-CEM-C7 cells are characterized by their robust growth in vitro and are commonly used to assess the cytotoxicity of anti-cancer compounds. These cells express several key markers of T-cell development and are often utilized to investigate T-cell leukemia pathogenesis, T-cell signaling pathways, and the cellular responses to DNA damage. The line has also been important in studies investigating the role of apoptosis in cancer cells, making it a valuable resource for understanding the mechanisms of programmed cell death in response to therapeutic agents.

Given its origin and characteristics, CCRF-CEM-C7 serves as a model system for T-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia, providing insights into the biological behavior of this malignancy and offering a platform for testing therapeutic strategies targeting cellular pathways specific to T-cell malignancies.

Organism	Human
Tissue	Blood
Disease	Childhood T acute lymphoblastic leukemia
Synonyms	CCRF-CEM C7, CCRF/CEM-C7, CEM C7, CEMC7, CEM clone 7

Characteristics

Age	3 years 11 month
Gender	Female
Ethnicity	Caucasian
Growth properties	Suspension

Regulatory Data

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Biomolecular Data

Handling

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Culture Medium	RPMI 1640, w: 2.0 mM stable Glutamine, w: 2.0 g/L NaHCO3 (Cytion article number 820700a)
Supplements	Supplement the medium with 10% FBS
Dissociation Reagent	Accutase
Subculturing	Remove the old medium from the adherent cells and wash them with PBS that lacks calcium and magnesium. For T25 flasks, use 3-5 ml of PBS, and for T75 flasks, use 5-10 ml. Then, cover the cells completely with Accutase, using 1-2 ml for T25 flasks and 2.5 ml for T75 flasks. Let the cells incubate at room temperature for 8-10 minutes to detach them. After incubation, gently mix the cells with 10 ml of medium to resuspend them, then centrifuge at 300xg for 3 minutes. Discard the supernatant, resuspend the cells in fresh medium, and transfer them into new flasks that already contain fresh medium.
Freeze medium	As a cryopreservation medium, use complete growth medium (including FBS) + 10% DMSO for adequate post-thaw viability, or CM-1 (Cytion catalog number 800100), which includes optimized osmoprotectants and metabolic stabilizers to enhance recovery and reduce cryo-induced stress.



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Thawing and Culturing Cells

- 1. Confirm that the vial remains deeply frozen upon delivery, as cells are shipped on dry ice to maintain optimal temperatures during transit.
- 2. Upon receipt, either store the cryovial immediately at temperatures below -150°C to ensure the preservation of cellular integrity, or proceed to step 3 if immediate culturing is required.
- 3. For immediate culturing, swiftly thaw the vial by immersing it in a 37°C water bath with clean water and an antimicrobial agent, agitating gently for 40-60 seconds until a small ice clump remains.
- 4. Perform all subsequent steps under sterile conditions in a flow hood, disinfecting the cryovial with 70% ethanol before opening.
- 5. Carefully open the disinfected vial and transfer the cell suspension into a 15 ml centrifuge tube containing 8 ml of room-temperature culture medium, mixing gently.
- 6. Centrifuge the mixture at 300 x g for 3 minutes to separate the cells and carefully discard the supernatant containing residual freezing medium.
- 7. Gently resuspend the cell pellet in 10 ml of fresh culture medium. For adherent cells, divide the suspension between two T25 culture flasks; for suspension cultures, transfer all the medium into one T25 flask to promote effective cell interaction and growth.
- 8. Adhere to established subculture protocols for continued growth and maintenance of the cell line, ensuring reliable experimental outcomes.

Incubation Atmosphere

37°C, 5% CO₂, humidified atmosphere.

Shipping Conditions

Cryopreserved cell lines are shipped on dry ice in validated, insulated packaging with sufficient refrigerant to maintain approximately –78 °C throughout transit. On receipt, inspect the container immediately and transfer vials without delay to appropriate storage.

Storage Conditions

For long-term preservation, place vials in vapor-phase liquid nitrogen at about -150 to -196 °C. Storage at -80 °C is acceptable only as a short interim step before transfer to liquid nitrogen.

Quality control / Genetic profile / HLA



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Sterility

Mycoplasma contamination is excluded using both PCR-based assays and luminescence-based mycoplasma detection methods.

To ensure there is no bacterial, fungal, or yeast contamination, cell cultures are subjected to daily visual inspections.