Product Data Sheet

Interferon-γ Recombinant Adenovirus

CATALOG NUMBER: ADV-103 **STORAGE:** -80ºC

QUANTITY AND CONCENTRATION: 50 µl, 1 x 10^{11} VP/mL in TBS containing 10% Glycerol

Background

Recombinant adenoviruses have tremendous potential in both research and therapeutic applications. There are numerous advantages in using an adenovirus to introduce genetic material into host cells. The permissive host cell range is very wide. The virus has been used to infect many mammalian cell types (both replicative and non-replicative) for high expression of the recombinant protein. Recombinant adenoviruses are especially useful for gene transfer and protein expression in cell lines that have low transfection efficiency with liposome. After entering cells, the virus remains epichromosomal (i.e. does not integrate into the host chromosome so does not activate or inactivate host genes). Recently, recombinant adenoviruses have been used to deliver RNAi into cells.

Interferon-gamma (IFN-γ), also known as Type II interferon or immune interferon, is a cytokine produced primarily by T-lymphocytes and natural killer cells. The protein shares no significant homology with IFN-β or the various IFN-α family proteins. IFN-γ was originally characterized based on its antiviral activities. The protein also exerts anti-proliferative, immuno-regulatory and pro-inflammatory activities and is thus important in host defense mechanisms. IFN-γ exerts its biological activities by binding to specific cell surface receptors with high-affinity binding sites. The IFN-γ receptor is present on almost all cell types except mature erythrocytes. The IFN-γ receptor is structurally related to the recently cloned IL-10 receptor. The provided recombinant adenovirus contains human IFN-γ.

Safety Consideration

Remember that you will be working with samples containing infectious virus. Follow the recommended NIH guidelines for all materials containing BSL-2 organisms. Always wear gloves, use filtered tips and work under a biosafety hood.

Methods

The appropriate amount of viruses used for infecting cells is critical for the outcome of your experiments. If not enough virus is used, it will not give 100% of infection. If too much virus is used, it will cause cytotoxicity or other undesired effects. The amount of adenovirus cell surface receptors vary greatly among different cell types therefore the optimal concentration differs dramatically between cell types. A range of 10-200 MOI (multiplicity of infection) is used for most cell lines, but up to 1000 MOI may be used for lymphoid cell lines.

Traditionally, Infectivity particles are measured in culture by a plaque-forming unit assay (PFU) that scores the number of viral plaques as a function of dilution. In contrast to the 10-day infection of a classical plaque assay, Cell Biolabs' QuickTiter™ Adenovirus Titer Immunoassay Kit (Cat. #VPK-109) only requires 2-day infection, and there is no agar overlay step. The kit antibody against hexon protein recognizes all serotypes of adenovirus by immunocytochemistry (see Flow Chart).

Seed 293 cells in 24 or 12-well plate for 1 hr

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Prepare Adenovirus Serial Dilutions and Infect 293 cells for 48 hrs

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Anti-Hexon Immunocytochemistry Staining

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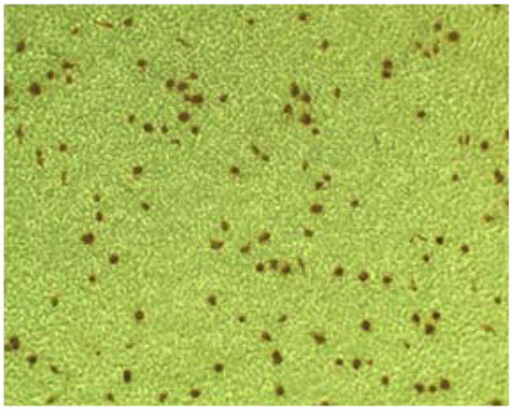
Count Positive Cells and Calculate Viral Titer



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