MyoD Recombinant Adenovirus

CATALOG NUMBER: ADV-508 STORAGE: -80°C

QUANTITY AND CONCENTRATION: 50 μl, 1 x 10¹¹ 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.

The maintenance, repair, and regeneration of skeletal muscle is controlled by environmental cues mediated by systemic hormones, locally produced growth factors, and neuronal signals acting on an intrinsic genetic program involving muscle-restricted transcriptional regulatory proteins. The basic helix-loop-helix transcription factors of the MyoD family (MyoD, myf-5, myogenin, MRF4) play central roles in myogenesis throughout the lifespan. MyoD and myf-5 are essential for myoblast specification during early embryonic development. Myogenin is critical for differentiation. MyoD is also necessary for satellite cell activation and muscle regeneration in the adult. The provided recombinant adenovirus contains mouse MyoD with FLAG tag at the C-terminus.

Safety Consideration

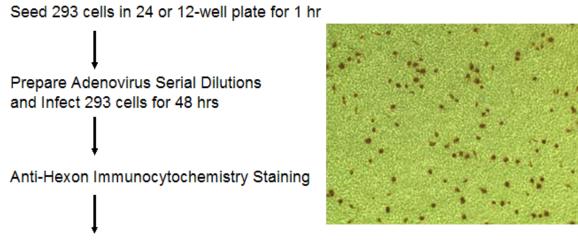
Remember that you will be working with samples containing infectious virus. Follow the recommended NIH guidelines for all materials containing BSL-2 organisms. Always wear gloves, use filtered tips and work under a biosafety hood.

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' QuickTiterTM 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).





Count Positive Cells and Calculate Viral Titer

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