

User Manual

OriCell™ NCR Protein-free Cryopreservation Medium For Neural Stem Cells

Catalog No. GUXNX-07021



Introduction

Cell cryopreservation refers to placing cells in a low-temperature environment for long-term storage. Through years of extensive research, the OriCell™ R&D team has continuously optimized cell cryopreservation and recovery conditions to develop a range of specialized cryopreservation products suitable for neural stem cells.

OriCell™ NCR Protein-free Cryopreservation Medium for Neural Stem Cells significantly reduces the damage of ice crystals to cells during cryopreservation, effectively improving cell recovery rates and viability. Furthermore, its exogenous protein-free formulation minimizes the risk of contamination. Extensive validation data demonstrate that this product causes minimal cellular damage, ensuring high post-thaw recovery rates and optimal cell viability. Unlike traditional cryopreservation media, this product eliminates the need for time-consuming controlled-rate freezing (programmed cooling). Cells can be directly resuspended and stored at -80 °C overnight before being transferred to liquid nitrogen to complete the preservation process.

OriCell™ NCR Protein-free Cryopreservation Medium for Neural Stem Cells is only suitable for the cryopreservation of neural stem cells.

Note: This product is intended for research use only and is not for diagnostic, therapeutic, clinical, household, or any other applications.

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Product Advantages

- Stable performance and simple operation.
- Chemically defined formulation without exogenous proteins.
- Achieves up to 50% post-thaw viability.
- Effectively preserves the multipotent differentiation potential of stem cells post-thaw.
- Efficient and time-saving. Cells can be stored directly at -80°C , eliminating the need for programmed cooling steps or specialized devices.

QC

- Pass the detection of bacteria, fungi, mycoplasma, and endotoxins.
- Pass the detection of osmotic pressure and pH.
- Pass the detection of product quality.

Please refer to "COA" for details.

General Handling Principles

1. Maintain strict aseptic technique. Ensure the entire lab and operating areas are kept clean.
2. Follow standardized protocols. Adhere strictly to the instructions provided in the manual.
3. Ensure proper storage and use. Store the product according to specified conditions and use it promptly to ensure optimal performance.

Product Stability and Storage Conditions

- The product has a shelf life of 1 year when stored at 4 °C and protected from light.
- Use the product within the shelf life. Do not use it after the expiration date.

Cell Cryopreservation

Materials Required

- OriCell™ NCR Protein-free Cryopreservation Medium For Neural Stem Cells (Cat. No.: GUXNX-07021)
- Clean, sterile and high-quality disposable consumables (pipettes, pipette tips, centrifuge tubes, etc.)
- Clean sealing film

Steps

1. Harvest cells in the logarithmic (log) growth phase using standard protocols and collect them into a centrifuge tube. Calculate the total number of cells required based on the target seeding density and the size of the cryovials (Recommended density: 5×10^5 to 5×10^6 cells/mL).
2. Transfer the required volume of cell suspension into a centrifuge tube. Pellet the cells by centrifugation (Recommended conditions: $160 \times g$ for 5 minutes).
3. Aspirate the supernatant.
4. Add an appropriate volume of cryopreservation medium (Cat. No.: GUXNX-07021) into a centrifuge tube. Resuspend gently but thoroughly to ensure a uniform cell suspension.
5. Aliquot the cell suspension into pre-labeled cryovials.
6. Place the cryovials directly into a -80 °C freezer. Transfer them to liquid nitrogen for long-term storage after 24 hours.

Cell Recovery

Materials Required

- The appropriate complete medium for the specific cell line

Steps

1. Pre-warm the water bath to 37 °C.
2. Warm the complete medium to 37 °C.
3. Transfer the cells from liquid nitrogen to -80 °C and hold them there for 10 minutes. This will allow any residual liquid nitrogen to evaporate and prevent vial explosion.
4. Add at least 8 mL of pre-warmed complete medium to a 15 mL centrifuge tube for subsequent use.
5. Remove the cryovial containing cells from the -80 °C freezer, immerse it in the 37 °C water bath, and gently and quickly swirl to thaw the cryopreservation medium.

Note:

- (1) Gently swirl the cryovial during thawing to ensure rapid and uniform thawing.
 - (2) Avoid submerging the cap in water to prevent contamination.
 - (3) Stop thawing in the water bath when only a single ice crystal (approximately 2 mm in diameter) remains, then continue gently swirling the vial until it is completely thawed.
6. Once the cell suspension is completely thawed, wipe the outer surface of the cryovial with 75% ethanol.
 7. In a biosafety cabinet, open the cryovial and transfer the cell suspension to the prepared centrifuge tube using a Pasteur pipette.
 8. Rinse the cryovial once with 1 mL of complete medium to collect residual cells and minimize loss.
 9. Centrifuge the cell suspension at $160 \times g$ for 5 minutes.

Note: Please calculate the corresponding rotational speed using the formula: $RCF = 1.118 \times 10^{-5} \times r$

× RPM² (where RCF is the relative centrifugal force, r is the rotor radius in cm, and RPM is the rotational speed).

10. Carefully remove the supernatant after centrifugation. Add 1 ~ 2 mL of complete medium, gently resuspend the cell pellet by pipetting up and down to mix thoroughly.
11. Seed cells into a culture vessel at the appropriate density, and add an adequate volume of pre-warmed fresh complete medium.
12. Gently rock the culture vessel to ensure a uniform cell distribution.
13. Examine the cells under a microscope, then incubate at 37 °C with 5% CO₂ and saturated humidity.

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