Human saphenous vein endothelial cells (HSVEC)

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Description

Primary Human Saphenous Vein Endothelial Cells (HSaVEC) are isolated from the saphenous vein and offer a venous endothelial model alongside HUVEC. They are used in research on atherosclerosis, leukocyte adhesion and the endothelial failure of coronary bypass vein grafts.
HSaVEC show the typical cobblestone morphology and express CD31 and VE-cadherin. As cells from adult vessels, they differ from fetal HUVEC: they are more sensitive to oxidized LDL, respond less strongly to cytokines and can present antigen to T cells, making them a closer model of adult venous endothelium.

Tissue	Saphenous vein
Disease	Normal saphenous vein endothelium (primary cells; non-tumorigenic)
Metastatic site	Not applicable (normal, non-tumorigenic primary cell)

Applications

Adult endothelial model: ox-LDL, leukocyte adhesion, antigen presentation and tumor cell adhesion; Endothelial dysfunction in coronary bypass patients, screening of interventions; Mechanobiology: shear stress and arterial-level stretch in vein graft arterialization; Oxidative stress and mitophagy in vein graft failure; Insulin and IGF-1 receptor signaling in type 2 diabetes; Biomaterials: bioactive wound dressings for chronic wounds

Synonyms

- HSaVEC
- HSVEC
- Human saphenous vein endothelial cells
- provitro 1210121

DONOR

Donor age	Lot-specific (see CoA)
Ethnicity	Lot-specific (see CoA)

CLASSIFICATION

Organism	Human
Sex	Lot-specific
Growth properties	Adherent
GMO status	Non-GMO

GMO status details

No genetic modification; primary human endothelial cells isolated from saphenous vein tissue. Not transformed or immortalized.

Biosafety level	1

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CHARACTERISTICS

Morphology	Cobblestone (endothelial)
Cell type	Primary endothelial cells
Tumourigenic	No
Doubling time	approx. 24 hours (under optimal EGM-2/EBM-2 conditions, Marelli-Berg et al. 2004)

HANDLING AND CULTURE

Culture medium

Endothelial Cell Growth Medium

Incubation atmosphere	37°C, 5% CO_2, saturated humidity.

Supplements

EGM-2-MV BulletKit supplements: hEGF, VEGF, hFGF-B, IGF-1, hydrocortisone, ascorbic acid, heparin, and 5% FBS (pre-formulated in EGM-2; no additional serum needed). Gelatin-coat culture vessels before seeding.

Dissociation reagent	Subculture reagents as recommended on the certificate of analysis
Flask coating	0.1–0.2% gelatin coating required (incubate gelatin solution 30 min at 37°C, aspirate excess before seeding)

Subculturing

Subculture the cells at about 75 % confluence. Denser cultures undergo irreversible contact inhibition and stop proliferating. Use the subculture reagents recommended on the certificate of analysis.

Split ratio	1 to 3
Seeding density	More than 6,000 cells/cm²
Fluid renewal	24 hours after seeding, then every 48 to 72 hours
Post-thaw recovery	Post-thaw viability ≥ 70 % viable cells. More than 80 % confluence within the expected recovery period.

Thawing and culturing

Thaw the cryovial quickly in a 37 °C water bath, swirling gently. Just before the last ice has melted, move the vial to a laminar flow hood and decontaminate its outer surface.
Transfer the cell suspension into a 15 ml centrifuge tube, add 10 ml of Endothelial Cell Growth Medium and centrifuge at 250 × g for 5 minutes.
Remove the supernatant and resuspend the cell pellet in 10 ml of Endothelial Cell Growth Medium. Check cell number and viability.
Divide the suspension between two 25 cm² culture flasks (5 ml each). Using two flasks reduces the risk of losing all cells if a passage fails.
Incubate at 37 °C, 5 % CO_2 and saturated humidity, with the screw caps opened by half a turn for gas exchange.
Change the medium after 24 hours to remove unattached cells, then every 48 to 72 hours, using pre-warmed medium only.
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Recommended seeding density: more than 6,000 cells/cm².

QUALITY CONTROL AND CRYOPRESERVATION

Sterility

Mycoplasma contamination is excluded by PCR.
To ensure there is no bacterial, fungal or yeast contamination, cultures are subjected to visual inspection.

Freeze medium	As a cryopreservation medium, we use complete growth medium + 10% DMSO for adequate post-thaw viability.

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Storage conditions

For long-term preservation, store vials in liquid nitrogen at about −150 to −196 °C. Storage at −80 °C is acceptable for up to one week only.

Shipping conditions

Cryopreserved primary cells are shipped on dry ice. On receipt, check the cryovial for damage and transfer it without delay to appropriate storage.

EXPRESSION AND SUSCEPTIBILITY

Surface antigens

CD31 (PECAM-1); VE-cadherin (CD144); von Willebrand factor (vWF); eNOS; HLA-DR (inducible); ICAM-1 (inducible); VCAM-1 (inducible); E-selectin (inducible); UEA-I lectin binding

Receptors expressed

VEGFR2 (KDR); VEGFR1; TIE-2; EGFR (low)

IDENTIFIERS

Citation

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NCBI TaxID	9606
Cellosaurus	Not assigned

LEGAL AND SAFETY

Safety precautions

When planning to store a cryovial in liquid nitrogen for future thawing, it is mandatory to adhere to stringent safety measures. Appropriate protective gloves and clothing are essential, and the use of a face mask or safety goggles is required during the transfer of frozen samples to or from the liquid nitrogen tank. This is to mitigate the risk of injury from potential cryovial explosions upon removal, which can result in the projection of sharp fragments. Primary cells are of human origin, and no known test procedure can ensure the complete absence of infectious agents. Handle all products as potentially infectious.

Warranty

At Cytion, we stand behind the quality and viability of our products.
We guarantee that our cells will be viable at the start of culture for
60 days after shipment from our facilities.
We assure that all materials conform to the specifications described in the
Certificate of Analysis and/or Product Sheet.
For full details, please refer to our
Warranty Statement.

Material Transfer Agreement required	Yes

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