BxPC-3

305031

GENERAL INFORMATION

Description

BxPC-3 cells, originating from the pancreatic adenocarcinoma of a 61-year-old female patient who underwent radiation and chemotherapy, have become a fundamental asset in cancer research, particularly for studying pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma. The absence of the SMAD4/DPC4 protein due to homozygous deletions in BxPC 3 cells makes them an invaluable resource for research into pancreatic cancer's genetic landscape.
Tumors grown from BxPC-3 cells in nude mice produce carcinoembryonic antigen, human pancreas cancer-associated antigen, human pancreas-specific antigen, and traces of mucin. This highlights the ability of the cell line to closely replicate the histopathological traits of the primary tumor. The production of mucinous tissues, in particular, underscores the cell line's value for detailed pancreatic adenocarcinoma studies, reflecting the original tumor's characteristics.
BxPC-3 cells' significant expression of angiogenic factors such as interleukin-8 (IL-8), vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF), and prostaglandin E2 (PGE2) opens avenues for exploring angiogenesis in cancer progression and identifying potential therapeutic targets.
In summary, the pancreatic adenocarcinoma cell line BxPC-3 are pivotal in cancer research, especially for pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma research. Their lack of SMAD4/DPC4 protein because of homozygous deletions and their ability to replicate the primary tumor's histopathological features, including mucinous tissues, make them invaluable for studying the genetic landscape and pathology of pancreatic cancer.

Tissue	Pancreas
Disease	Pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma

Synonyms

- BxPc-3
- BxPC-3
- Bx-PC3
- BxPC3
- BxPC3
- BxPc3
- Biopsy xenograft of Pancreatic Carcinoma line-3

CLASSIFICATION

Organism	Human
Sex	Female
Growth properties	Adherent
Biosafety level	1

CHARACTERISTICS

Morphology	Epithelial
Tumourigenic	Yes

IDENTIFIERS

Citation

BxPC-3 (Cytion catalog number 305031)

NCBI TaxID	9606
Cellosaurus	CVCL_0186

EXPRESSION AND SUSCEPTIBILITY

Protein expression

Mucin, Pancreas Cancer Specific Antigen(Pancreas Cancer Associated Antigen), Carcinoembryonic Antigen(Cea)

HANDLING AND CULTURE

Culture medium

RPMI 1640, w: 2.0 mM stable Glutamine, w: 2.0 g/L NaHCO3 (Cytion article number 820700a)

Incubation atmosphere	37°C, 5% CO_2, humidified atmosphere.

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.

Fluid renewal	2 to 3 times per week

Thawing and culturing

Confirm that the vial remains deeply frozen upon delivery, as cells are shipped on dry ice to maintain optimal temperatures during transit.
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.
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.
Perform all subsequent steps under sterile conditions in a flow hood, disinfecting the cryovial with 70% ethanol before opening.
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.
Centrifuge the mixture at 300 x g for 3 minutes to separate the cells and carefully discard the supernatant containing residual freezing medium.
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.
Adhere to established subculture protocols for continued growth and maintenance of the cell line, ensuring reliable experimental outcomes.

QUALITY CONTROL AND CRYOPRESERVATION

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.

Freeze medium	As a cryopreservation medium, we 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.

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.

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.

DONOR

Donor age	61 years
Ethnicity	European

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.

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