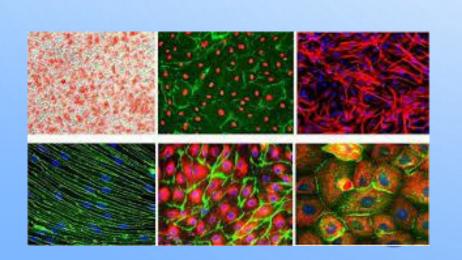


CELL CULTURE TECHNIQUES

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OUTLINES

- An overview on cell culture
- Why is cell culture used for?
- Culture media and required equipment
- Culturing of adherent and suspend cells
- Subculture of cells
- Freezing cells for storage
- Working with cryopreserved cells
- THP-1 and its cell culture tips





- Cell culture is the process by which prokaryotic, eukaryotic, animal or plant cells are grown under controlled conditions, generally outside their natural environment.
- Cell culture was first successfully undertaken by ross harrison in 1907, He realized that
 the growth of frog embryonic cells would give rise to nerve cells in a medium of clotted
 lymph.





- GOAL: To study different aspects of plant and animal cells in the laboratory and in vitro
- Checking the growth rate / the size of the cells / viability / cells metabolic process / cell activities



- Applications:
- Model systems: For studying basic cell biology, effects of drugs on cells
- Toxicity testing: Study the effects of new drugs
- Cancer research: Study the function of various chemicals, virus & radiation to convert normal cultured cells to cancerous cells or studying cancerous cell



• Virology: Cultivation of virus for vaccine production, also used to study their infectious cycle

• **Genetic engineering:** Production of **commercial proteins**, large scale production of viruses for use in vaccine production e.g. Polio, rabies, chicken pox, hepatitis B & measles

• Gene therapy: Cells having a functional gene can be replaced to cells which are having non-functional gene

CULTURE MEDIA AND REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

CULTURE MEDIA:

- Physiological fluid for cell survival and growth
- Choice of media depends on the type of cell being cultured
- 1. Basic culture medium: RPMI, GMEM, EMEM, DMEM etc.
- 2. Rich culture medium: ex-vivo
- Media is supplemented with antibiotics viz. Penicillin, streptomycin etc.
- Prepared media is incubated at 4°C









REQUIRED EQUIPMENT:

- Class II laminar flow
- Incubator: Co2 (5%), temperature (37 $^{\circ}$ C), and humidity
- Fridge/freezer (-20, -70°C)
- Bain-marie
- Microscope (light and invert)
- Fridge centrifuge
- Nitrogen tank
- Cell culture plates and flasks with filter lid





CULTIVATION CONTAINERS AND NECESSARY INFORMATION

Dishes	Surface area (c m^2)	Seeding density	Cells at confluency	Versene (ml of 0.05% EDTA). Approx. volume	Trypsin (ml of 0.05% trypsin, 0.53 mM EDTA).approx.	Growth medium (ml. approx. volume)
					volume	
35mm	8.8	0.3×10^6	1.2x10 ⁶	1	1	2
60mm	21.5	0.8×10^6	3.2×10^6	3	3	5
100mm	56.7	2.2×10^6	8.8x10 ⁶	5	5	12
150mm	145	5.0×10^6	20.0×10^6	10	10	13

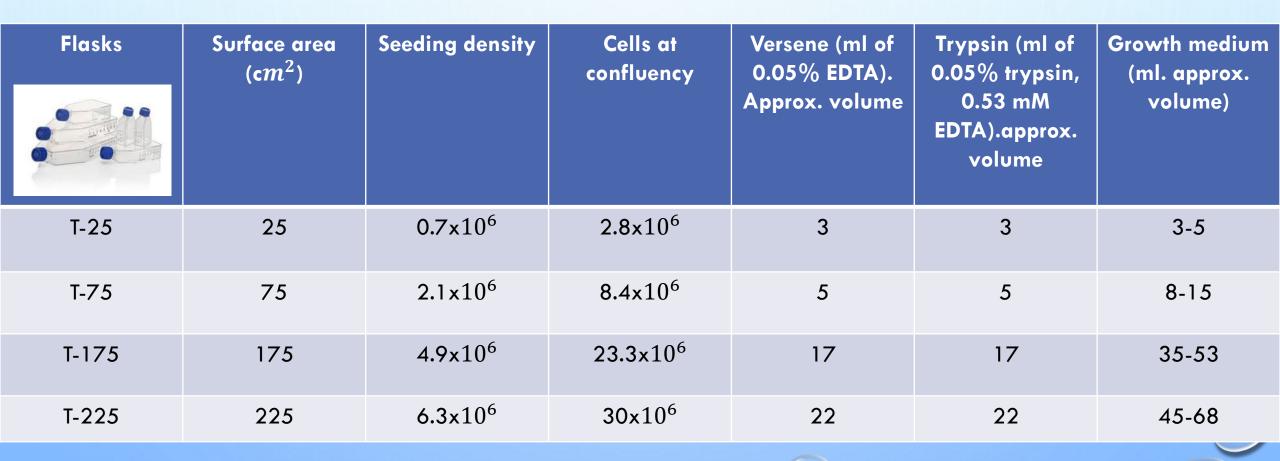






Plates	Surface area (c m^2)	Seeding density	Cells at confluency	Versene (ml of 0.05% EDTA). Approx. volume	Trypsin (ml of 0.05% trypsin, 0.53 mM EDTA).approx. volume	Growth medium (ml. approx. volume)
6-well	9.6	0.3x10 ⁶	1.2x10 ⁶	1	1	1 to 3
12-well	3.5	0.1x10 ⁶	0.5×10^6	0.4 to 1	0.4 to 1	1 to 2
24-well	1.9	0.05×10^6	0.24x10 ⁶	0.2 to 0.3	0.2 to 0.3	0.5 to 1
48-well	1.1	0.03×10^6	0.12x10 ⁶	0.1 to 0.2	0.1 to 0.2	0.2 to 0.4
96-well	0.32	0.01x10 ⁶	0.04×10^6	0.05 to 0.1	0.05 to 0.1	0.1 to 0.2

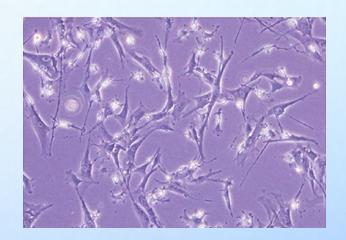


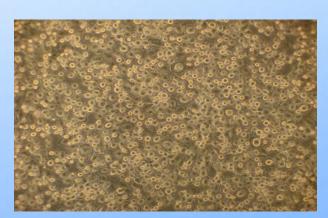


CULTURING OF ADHERENT AND SUSPEND CELLS

• Adherent cells: Tissue cells, different shapes: asteroid, spindle and ..., stick to cell culture containers

 Suspend cells: HSC, PBMC, rounded, don't stick to cell culture containers





CULTURING OF ADHERENT CELLS

- 1. Removing the cells from the bottom of the culture medium plate or flask with trypsin and EDTA
- 2. Using the complete culture medium containing 10% FBS



- 3. Centrifuge for 5 minutes at 900 RPM or 3 minutes at 1200 RPM
- °. Drain the supernatant and adding the necessary amount of complete culture medium 10% FBS, 1 % pen/strep (1 ml) and resuspend cells





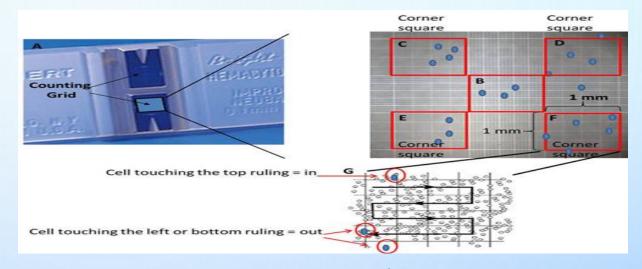






- 5. Cell counting with neubauer slide:
- 10 λ cell + 10 λ Trypan blue

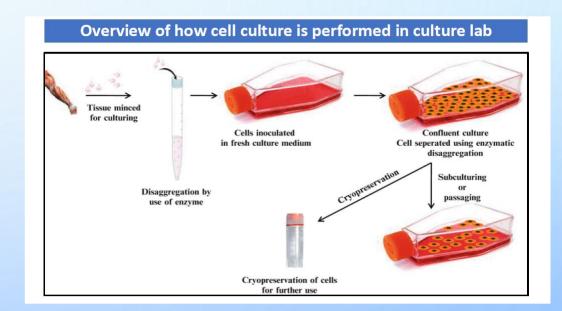
Cell viability % =
$$\frac{\text{Total cells - dead cells}}{\text{Total cells}} \times 100$$



- N = Average number of cells X 2 X The volume of the culture medium X 10^4
- 6. Add the culture medium based on the required number of cells per ml
- 7. Keeping cells in appropriate ratio of culture medium in a flask or plate in an incubator
- The stages of SUSPENDED CELLS CULTURE are the same as the stages mentioned above, except for the first stage.



- Subculturing or passaging is either a new cell culture or a microbiological culture made by transferring some or all cells from a previous culture to fresh growth medium.
- Subculturing is used to prolong the lifespan and/or increase the number of cells or microorganisms in the culture.
- It's used when cells reach to 80-90% confluency in flask/dishes/plates
- The steps are the same as the previous slides.







FREEZING CELLS FOR STORAGE

• To save the cells for future work and prepare a cell bank, we use cryopreservation of cells or freezing them. For this, we use tubes called cryotubes.

• Steps:

- 1. In the cryotube, depending on the cell size, put at least 1 million cells or more in \ ml of FBS containing 10% Dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) (100 λ DMSO + 900 λ FBS)
- 2. Then keep cells at -20°C for several hours to overnight
- 3. Then keep cells at -70°C overnight
- 4. At the end keep cryotube in a nitrogen tank at -196°C for several years









- In order to reuse the cryopreserved cell, it is necessary to defreeze it. For this purpose:
- 1. Take the cryotube under the laminar flow and loosen its screw a little to out the gas.
- 2. Place the cryotube in a 37°C bain-marie and put the cell in thermal shock (1-2 min).
- 3. Because DMSO is toxic to cells, immediately add 9 times the complete culture medium containing
 10-20% FBS to it in 15 ml falcon tube.
- 4. Then centrifuge and count the cells and dilute them to the desired number in the culture medium.





CELL CULTURE TECHNIQUE TIPS

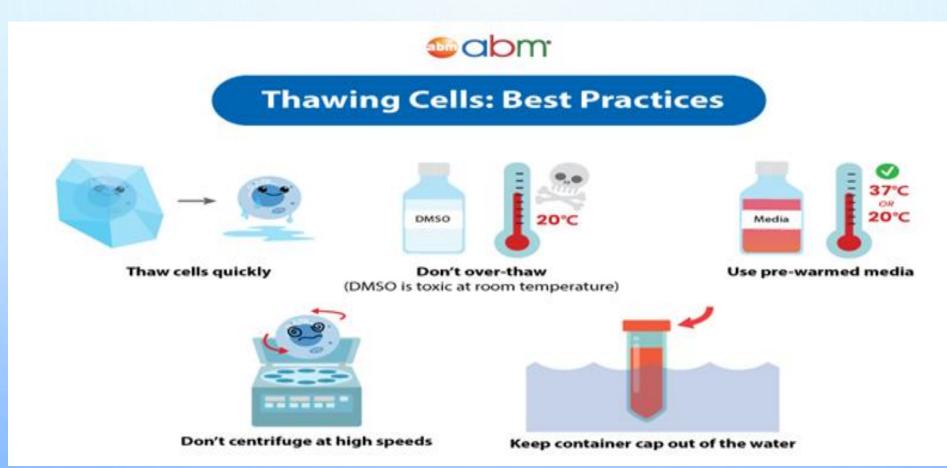
- The most important principle in working with cells is the sterility of the conditions
- Clean, fresh lab coats and glove should be worn at all times in the hood area and removed as soon as
 the area is left.
- Turn on UV lamps to disinfect the laminar flow.
- At beginning of work, Spray ethanol V · % to the surface of laminar flow and every material and equipment use under it.
- Screen for infections (mycoplasma) at regular intervals.
- In antibiotic-free media, signs of bacterial, yeast, and fungal infection include cloudiness as well as

color and pH changes.











PROPOSAL

Evaluation of the relation between TIM-3/Galectin-9 axis and Glutamine metabolism in AML cell lines, HL-60 and THP-1



THP-1

- THP-1 is a monocyte isolated from peripheral blood from an acute monocytic leukemia patient.

 This cell line can be used in immune system disorder research, immunology research, and toxicology research.
- Product category: human cells
- Organism: homo sapiens, human
- Cell type and morphology: monocyte
- Tissue: peripheral blood
- **Disease:** acute monocytic leukemia (AML-M5)



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THP-1 CELL CULTURE TIPS

- The base medium for this cell line is RPMI-1640 medium.
- Prior to the addition of the vial contents, the culture vessel containing the complete growth medium be placed into the incubator for at least 15 minutes to allow the medium to reach its normal PH (7.0 to 7.6).
- ATCC guideline said for complete growth medium, add 2mercaptoethanol (2me) to a final concentration of 0.05 mM and FBS 10% (but we used 2ME in 2mM concentration and 15% FBS and 1% L-Glu).
- Cultures can be established by centrifugation with subsequent resuspension at $2-4 \times 10^5$ viable cells/ml.
- Subculture when cell concentration reaches 8×10^5 cells/ml.

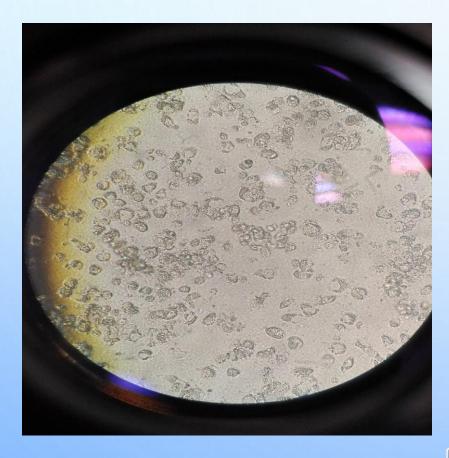


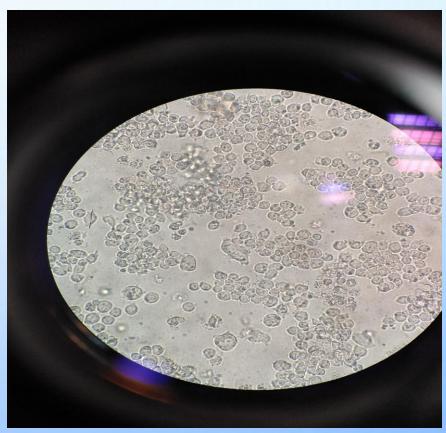




- Do not allow the cell concentration to exceed 1×10^6 cells/ml.
- T-75 flasks are recommended for subculturing this product.
- Medium renewal: every 2 to 3 days (Do not change the culture medium of the cells earlier than every 2-3 days because they will be under severe stress)
- Before changing the culture medium and centrifuging, pipet the cells well to separate them from the bottom and walls of the flask and plate but do it smoothly.
- Reagents for cryopreservation: complete growth medium supplemented with 5% (v/v) DMSO
- Storage at -70°C will result in loss of viability.

MICROSCOPIC PICTURE OF THP-1







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