

Fresh Hepatocyte Suspension

Product No.	Description
M00986	Male human
F00986	Female human
M00286	Male beagle dog
M00386	Male cynomolgus monkey
M00586	Male ICR/CD-1 mouse
M00786	Male Sprague-Dawley rat

Product Description:

Fresh hepatocyte suspensions are available in a variety of formats. There is a minimum order of 10 million cells. Hepatocytes suspensions are used in short-term studies that do not last more than four hours. BioreclamationIVT recommends the use of plated hepatocytes for studies lasting greater than four hours. Hepatocyte suspensions can be used to evaluate metabolism, toxicity, and drug–drug interaction studies¹. The isolation schedule for our fresh animal hepatocytes can be found on the BioreclamationIVT animal isolation calendar at www.bioreclamationivt.com/calendar. To receive notifications for both fresh animal and human hepatocytes, fill out the Hepata!ert™ notification form at www.bioreclamationivt.com/hepatalert. Our hepatocytes perform the best when used with BioreclamationIVT *InVitroGRO*™ hepatocyte media.

Stability: Unpack and use immediately upon receipt.

Media Preparation: Use *InVitroGRO*™ HI Medium or *InVitroGRO* KHB if running suspension assays. Torpedo Antibiotic Mix not required for short-term assays.

Unpacking Hepatocyte Suspensions:

1. Pre-warm 50 mL *InVitroGRO* HI for suspension assays to 37° C.
2. Remove the conical tube(s) of cells from the shipment box.
3. Gently resuspend the cells by inverting the tube multiple times. Continue inverting until an even suspension is created.
4. Spin the cells at 50 × *g* for 5 minutes in a refrigerated centrifuge set to 4° C.
5. Pour the supernatant from the conical tube and add 50 mL of pre-warmed *InVitroGRO* HI to the cell pellet.
6. Invert the tube 3 times to resuspend the cell pellet.
7. Centrifuge the cell suspension at 50 × *g* in a room temperature centrifuge for 5 minutes.
8. Discard the supernatant by either pouring in one motion (do not pour partially and re-invert centrifuge tube), or aspirating using a vacuum pump.
9. Loosen the cell pellet by gently swirling the centrifuge tube.
10. Add 2 mL of *InVitroGRO* KHB (or other appropriate) buffer per 10 million cells ordered. Invert the tube gently to resuspend the hepatocytes. Determine the total cell count and the number of viable cells using the Trypan Blue exclusion method (see Trypan blue cell count worksheet). Dilute to desired concentration for suspension assay, like 2 million viable cells per mL.

Trypan Blue Cell Count Worksheet:

Remove a cell suspension aliquot and perform the following:

- Dilute cells for a Trypan Blue Exclusion cell count.

Example for a 20X dilution:

300 μ L Medium or Buffer + 80 μ L Trypan Blue + 20 μ L diluted cells

- Mix and incubate for 1 minute
- Apply 10 μ L aliquot to one side of hemacytometer
- Count cells under 100X magnification (10x objective, 10x ocular)
- Calculate total viable cells and percent viability

Cell Count:

Dilution Factor: _____X

Total Viable Cells: _____

Number of squares counted: _____

Total Nonviable Cells: _____

Total Cell Count: _____

% Viability = Total Viable Cells/Total Cell Count x 100 = _____

Dilution of Cell Suspension:

Cell Concentration (# Viable Cells/mL) = $\frac{\text{Total Viable Cells}}{\text{\# squares counted}} \times 10,000 \times \text{Dilution Factor}$ = _____ cells/mL

Cell Concentration x _____ mL Total Cell Suspension Volume = _____ Total Yield (cells)

Total Resuspension Volume = $\frac{\text{Total Yield (cells)}}{\text{Target Cell Concentration (cells/mL)}}$ = _____ mL

Resuspension Volume to be added = Total Resuspension Volume – Original Suspension Volume = _____ mL

References:

1. Li, A. P. Primary hepatocyte cultures as an in vitro experimental model for the evaluation of pharmacokinetic drug-drug interactions. *Adv. Pharmacol. Series* **1997**, *43*, 103–130.

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