



# Human Mammary Luminal Epithelial Cell Manual

**INSTRUCTION MANUAL ZBM0071.02**

## **SHIPPING CONDITIONS**

### **Human Mammary Luminal Epithelial Cells**

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**Must be processed upon shipment receipt.**

## **STORAGE CONDITIONS**

**Media:** 4°C      **Expiration:** 30 days from ship date, Do Not Freeze

**Cells:** Vials of frozen Mammary Luminal Epithelial cells are to be stored in vapor phase nitrogen (-150°C to -190°C) IMMEDIATELY upon arrival

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## **THIS MANUAL IS SUITABLE FOR USE WITH THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS:**

MLE-F	HUMAN MAMMARY LUMINAL EPITHELIAL CELLS, CRYOPRESERVED
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**This product is for research use only. It is not intended for human, veterinary, or *in vitro* diagnostic use.** Proper precautions and biological containment should be taken when handling cells of human origin, due to their potential biohazardous nature. **Always wear gloves and work behind a protective screen when handling primary human cells.** All media, supplements, and tissue cultureware used in this protocol should be sterile.

Human mammary Luminal epithelial cell viability depends greatly on the use of suitable media, reagents, and sterile plastic wear. If these parameters are not carefully observed, limited differentiation may occur and cell growth may be slow.

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## **INTRODUCTION**

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ZenBio's human mammary luminal epithelial cells are isolated from mammary tissue of healthy non-diabetic donors between 18 and 60 years old who have undergone elective surgery. Each donor has signed an IRB validated donor consent form that specifically lists both the intended uses for the donation for non-clinical research and confirms the procedures for processing the samples are Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) managed GLP protocols in compliance with all legal and ethical regulations. The cells are isolated by digestion of the tissue to generate organoid structures collected by centrifugal force. Organoids are maintained in explant culture to stimulate Luminal myoepithelial cell migration and the cells are further purified using immunomagenetic separation. This instruction manual describes procedures to passage and culture the human mammary Luminal epithelial cells.

## **MATERIALS PROVIDED FOR EACH CATALOG ITEM**

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- **Cryopreserved Human Mammary Luminal Epithelial Cells**
  - Cat # MLE-F
  - Frozen vial containing 500,000 viable human mammary luminal epithelial cells (store in vapor phase liquid nitrogen upon receipt)

## **MEDIUM COMPOSITION**

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### **Mammary Luminal Epithelial Growth**

#### **Medium**

Cat# LCM-1

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DMEM/F12

Minimal Essential Medium (MEM)

Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS)

Endothelial Growth Factor (EGF)

Insulin

Hydrocortisone

Apo transferrin

Ethanolamine

Penicillin

Streptomycin

Amphotericin B

Expiration date is 30 days from the ship date. DO NOT FREEZE. Please coordinate your orders for media according to your schedule.

# PLATING AND EXPANSION PROCEDURES

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## Cryopreserved Mammary Luminal Epithelial Cells

1. Remove cells from liquid nitrogen and place immediately into a 37°C water bath with agitation. Be careful not to submerge the cap of the vial into water. Do not leave the vials in water bath after most of the content has thawed. Rinse the vials with 70% ethanol before taking them to the culture hood.
2. Upon the thawing, add the cells to a sterile conical bottom centrifuge tube, containing 9 ml of Growth Medium (LCM-1).
3. Centrifuge at 400 x g, 20°C, 10 minutes. Aspirate the medium and resuspend cells in a volume of LCM-1 appropriate for counting the cells. Count using a hemacytometer.
4. Place approximately  $0.37\text{-}0.5 \times 10^6$  cells into two Collagen I coated T-25 culture flasks (10,000 cells/cm<sup>2</sup>) using 7 ml LCM-1.
5. Incubate cells until they are 70-80% confluent (in about 4-5 days). Cells will need to be fed every other day with LCM-1. Remove 7 ml of medium per T-75 flask and replace with 7 ml fresh LCM-1.
6. Aspirate medium and wash Luminal epithelial cells 4-5 times using sterile Phosphate Buffered Saline (PBS) to remove all traces of medium. Remove the PBS and release the cells from the flask bottom by adding 1 mL/T-25 flask (or 6 ml/T-225 flask) of 0.25% trypsin/ 2.21mM EDTA solution. Allow cells to trypsinize for 5 minutes at 37°C. Tap the flask gently to loosen the cells.
7. Neutralize the trypsin using an equal volume of 0.5mg/ml soybean trypsin inhibitor or serum containing medium. Check the flask under a microscope to ensure all cells are free of the flask bottom.
8. Count the cells and plate in desired format. Ensure cells are evenly suspended when plating large numbers of plates or flasks. Do not agitate plates and flasks after plating. Place in a humidified incubator at 37°C and 5% CO<sub>2</sub>, making sure the surface is level for even cell distribution.

### Human Mammary Luminal Epithelial Cells



## TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Observation	Possible causes	Suggestions
Luminal cells do not grow	1. Cells have been passaged too many times 2. Cells expanded too high	1. Use cells of a lower passage number 2. Do not exceed 1:6 expansion ratio
Edge effects	1. Medium in outside wells evaporated	1. Ensure a saturated humidity in the incubator and feed the cells no less than every 3 days. Make sure multiple plates are stacked no more than 3 plates high.

## 1. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Can I pass the cells?**

Yes. Luminal mammary epithelial cells can be trypsinized and replated. The cells are NOT suitable for culture after passage 4. All cells are shipped at passage 2-3 after establishing a primary culture.

- How fast do the cells replicate?**

The average doubling time is 24-36 hours. However, keep in mind that the replication rate for human mammary Luminal epithelial cells varies slightly from donor to donor.

- Should antibiotics be included in the medium?**

Yes. Antibiotics and anti-fungal agents are always recommended since the cells are primary cells.

- Where are the cells obtained?**

The Luminal epithelial cells are isolated from human mammary tissue.

- Do you test for pathogens? Which ones?**

Yes. Samples from each donor are tested via PCR to confirm non-reactivity for HIV-1, HIV-2, hepatitis B and hepatitis C. However, since we cannot test all pathogens, please treat the culture as a potentially infectious agent.

- What donor information do I receive?**

The donor's age, gender, and BMI are provided in the certificate of analysis that accompanies each lot of cells.

## **PATHOGEN TESTING**

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Each lot of primary cells is tested via PCR and found non-reactive to viral DNA from HIV and hepatitis B and viral RNA from Hepatitis C. However, no known test can offer complete assurance that these viruses are not present. Since we cannot test all pathogens, always treat the culture as a potentially infectious reagent. We recommend using the US Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Universal Precautions for prevention of blood-borne pathogens as a minimum guideline for standards of practice at Biosafety Level 1 (BLS-1) or higher. Our cells are tested for mycoplasma contamination via direct plating and DNA fluorochrome staining; mycoplasma contamination is not detected.