



General information

Description	This cell line was established as in vitro cell line from the human Melanoma xenograft BOW-G by CLS in 1998.
Organism	Human
Tissue	Skin
Disease	Melanosarcoma

Characteristics

Age	Unspecified
Gender	Male
Ethnicity	Caucasian
Growth properties	Adherent

Identifiers / Biosafety / Citation

Citation	MEL-CLS-4 (Cytion catalog number 300128)
Biosafety level	1

Expression / Mutation

Tumorigenic	Yes, in nude mice
Viruses	Negative for: Sendai, Ektromelia, Polyoma, K-Virus, Kilham, Reo 3, PVM, LCM, M.pulmonis, MVM, Theiler's GD VII, Toolan's H-1, MHV, LDV, RCV/SDA, M-Adenovirus, B.piliformis.
Mutational profile	V600E type BRAF Mutation was determined by DNA based methods (sequencing, RT-PCR) and protein based methods (Western Blot)

Handling



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Culture Medium	DMEM, w: 4.5 g/L Glucose, w: 4 mM L-Glutamine, w: 1.5 g/L NaHCO3, w: 1.0 mM Sodium pyruvate (Cytion article number 820300a)
Medium supplements	Supplement the medium with 10% FBS
Passaging solution	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.
Split ratio	A ratio of 1:2 to 1:4 is recommended
Seeding density	1 x 10^4 cells/cm^2
Fluid renewal	Every 3 days
Freezing recovery	After thawing, plate the cells at 5×10^4 cells/cm ² and allow the cells to recover from the freezing process and to adhere for at least 48 hours.
Freeze medium	CM-1 (Cytion catalog number 800100) or CM-ACF (Cytion catalog number 806100)



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Handling of cryopreserved cultures

- 1. Confirm that the vial remains deeply frozen upon delivery, as cells are shipped on dry ice to maintain optimal temperatures during transit.
- 2. 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Perform all subsequent steps under sterile conditions in a flow hood, disinfecting the cryovial with 70% ethanol before opening.
- 5. 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.
- 6. Centrifuge the mixture at 300 x g for 3 minutes to separate the cells and carefully discard the supernatant containing residual freezing medium. Optionally, skip centrifugation but remove any remaining freezing medium after 24 hours.
- 7. 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.
- 8. Adhere to established subculture protocols for continued growth and maintenance of the cell line, ensuring reliable experimental outcomes.

Quality control / Genetic profile / HLA

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.



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STR profile CSF1PO: 11,12

D13S317: 12 D16S539: 13 D5S818: 13 D7S820: 10,11 TH01: 6.9 TPOX: 8,11 vWA: 17,18 D3S1358: 15,18 D21S11: 30 D18S51: 11,14 Penta E: 7,19 Penta D: 13 D8S1179: 13,16 FGA: 19,23