

UWO37 Cells | 300257

General information

Description	The UWO37 (HPV16) cell line originates from the tumor cells of a male patient with oral tongue cancer and is characterized by its expression of HPV16. This particular cell line serves as a critical resource for researchers aiming to understand the intricate relationship between HPV, specifically HPV16, and the development of head and neck squamous cell carcinoma. Utilizing the UWO37 cell line, scientists can explore the molecular dynamics, pathogenic pathways, and potential therapeutic targets associated with HPV16's role in cancer, potentially leading to breakthroughs in treatment and early detection strategies for such malignancies.
Organism	Human
Tissue	Oral cavity; tonsil
Disease	Squamous cell carcinoma of the oropharynx
Applications	Generating Cisplatin Resistant HPV-positive HNSCC cell lines to study cisplatin resistance in HPV-positive cells
Synonyms	University of Western Ontario 37

Characteristics

Age	64 years
Gender	Male
Growth properties	Adherent

Identifiers / Biosafety / Citation

Citation	UWO37 (Cytion catalog number 300257)
Biosafety level	2

Expression / Mutation

Viruses	Transformant: Human papillomavirus type 16 (HPV16); weak expression of HPV16 E7
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Handling

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Culture Medium	DMEM:Ham's F12, w: 3.1 g/L Glucose, w: 1.6 mM L-Glutamine, w: 15 mM HEPES, w: 1.0 mM Sodium pyruvate, w: 1.2 g/L NaHCO ₃ (Cytion article number 820400a)
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Medium supplements	Supplement the medium with 10% FBS
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Passaging solution	Accutase
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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.
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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.