

C643 Cells | 300298

General information

Description

The cell line C643 was established from a fine-needle biopsy of an anaplastic thyroid carcinoma of a 76-year-old man by Mark et al. in 1987. The patient died within 5 months after diagnosis. Demonstration of thyroglobulin mRNA ascertained a thyroid epithelial origin of the cell line. C643 cells emerge as a valuable tool for thyroid cancer research.

These cells originated from human thyroid cancer tissue and represented metastatic PTC, FTC, and ATC. Their genetic makeup reflects the common mutations observed in thyroid cancer, such as alterations in BRAF, RAS, and PI3K genes, which activate critical signalling pathways.

This makes C643 cells an ideal model for investigating the mechanisms involved in thyroid cancer development and progression. Furthermore, C643 cells are a crucial resource for testing potential targeted therapies.

Their inclusion in preclinical studies can aid in identifying and evaluating novel compounds that specifically target the altered signalling pathways implicated in thyroid cancer. By accurately representing human thyroid cancer, C643 cells contribute to developing more effective treatments for patients with advanced thyroid cancer.

Organism

Human

Tissue

Thyroid gland anaplastic

Disease

Anaplastic thyroid carcinoma

Synonyms

C 643, C-643, c643

Characteristics

Age

76 years

Gender

Male

Ethnicity

Caucasian

Morphology

Epithelial-like

Growth properties

Monolayer, adherent

Regulatory Data

Citation

C643 (Cytion catalog number 300298)

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Biosafety level	1
NCBI_TaxID	9606
CellosaurusAccession	CVCL_5969

Biomolecular Data

Tumorigenic	Yes, in nude mice
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Handling

Culture Medium	RPMI 1640, w: 2.0 mM stable Glutamine, w: 2.0 g/L NaHCO ₃ (Cytion article number 820700a)
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Supplements	Supplement the medium with 10% FBS
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Dissociation Reagent	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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Seeding density	1×10^4 cells/cm ² will yield in a confluent layer in about 3 days
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Fluid renewal	2 to 3 times per week
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Post-Thaw 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 24 hours.
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Freeze medium	As a cryopreservation medium, we use complete growth medium (including FBS) + 10% DMSO for adequate post-thaw viability, or CM-1 (Cytion catalog number 800100), which includes optimized osmoprotectants and metabolic stabilizers to enhance recovery and reduce cryo-induced stress.
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Thawing and Culturing Cells

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 $300 \times g$ for 3 minutes to separate the cells and carefully discard the supernatant containing residual freezing medium.
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.

Incubation Atmosphere

37°C , 5% CO_2 , humidified atmosphere.

Shipping Conditions

Cryopreserved cell lines are shipped on dry ice in validated, insulated packaging with sufficient refrigerant to maintain approximately -78°C throughout transit. On receipt, inspect the container immediately and transfer vials without delay to appropriate storage.

Storage Conditions

For long-term preservation, place vials in vapor-phase liquid nitrogen at about -150 to -196°C . Storage at -80°C is acceptable only as a short interim step before transfer to liquid nitrogen.

Quality Control & Molecular Analysis

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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.