

# **Product Information**

Cool-Max, Cryopreservation Medium, Serum-free

Cat. No.: F0050-870 Volume: 50 ml

#### **Product Description**

Cool-Max is a serum-free cryoprotective medium based on an organic preservation medium containing 10 % DMSO. Its special formulation ensures high viability of cells and makes it particularly suitable for applications in stem cell research, such as embryonic and adult stem cells, induced pluripotent cells (IPS) as well as mesenchymal and hematopoietic stem cells.

#### Applications

- Cryopreservation of a wide range of cell types with high viability
- Ready-to-use solution
- For cell banking
- For stem cell storage

#### **Product Specifications**

Sterility	Tested
Storage	+2°C to +8°C. Cool-Max is a light sensitive solution. It should be protected from light
	during shipping and storage.

#### Freezing Protocol

Before cryopreservation cells should be checked for contamination. Cool-Max can be used with any standard freezing protocol.

#### **Cryopreservation of Suspension Cultures**

- Count the number of viable cells to be cryopreserved. Cells should be in mid-log phase of growth. Centrifuge the cells for 5 min to pellet cells (200 to 400 g). Remove the supernatant down to the smallest volume without disturbing the cells.
- Re-suspend cells in pre-cooled (+4°C to +8°C) Cool-Max to a concentration of 5x10<sup>6</sup> to 10<sup>7</sup> cells/ml.
- Aliquot into cryogenic storage vials. Place vials at +4°C and start the freezing procedure within 5 min. Cells are frozen slowly at +1°C/min (by programmable coolers or by placing vials in an insulated box in a -70°C to -90°C freezer).
- Then transfer storage vials to liquid nitrogen storage.

#### Cryopreservation of Adherent Cultures

- Detach cells from the substrate with a gentle dissociating agent. Especially with sensitive cells use Accutase (Cat. No. N0100-710) to avoid cell damage. Inactivate dissociating agent if necessary.
- Re-suspend the detached cells in complete growth medium and establish the viable cell count.
- Centrifuge for 5 min to pellet cells (200 to 400 g). Remove the supernatant down to the smallest volume without disturbing the cells.
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## Thawing of Cryopreserved Cells

Cryopreserved cells can be thawed by the following procedures:

## Centrifugation

- Remove cells from storage and thaw quickly in a +37°C water bath. Cegrogen Biotech recommends eye protection by using approved safety goggles. We also suggest the use of safety gloves to protect uncovered skin.
- Place 1 to 2 ml of thawed cells in ~25 ml of complete growth medium. Mix cell suspension gently.
- Centrifuge the cells at ~80 g for 2 to 3 min.
- Check clarity of the supernatant and visibility of a consolidated cell pellet. Discard supernatant without disturbing the cells.
- Gently re-suspend the cells in complete growth medium and perform a viable cell count.
- Plate the cells. Cell inoculum should be at least  $3x10^5$  viable cells/ml.

## **Direct plating**

- Remove cells from storage and thaw quickly in a +37°C water bath. Cegrogen Biotech recommends eye
  protection by using approved safety goggles. We also suggest the use of safety gloves to protect uncovered skin.
- Plate cells directly with complete growth medium. Use 10 to 20 ml of complete medium per 1 ml of frozen cells.
   Cell inoculum should be at least 3x10<sup>5</sup> cells/ml.
- Culture cells for 12 to 24 h. Replace medium with fresh complete growth medium to remove cryopreservative.

We recommend thawing procedure 1, especially when handling sensitive cells.

#### **Precautions and Disclaimer**

This product is for research use only. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

**Caution:** Cool-Max contains Dimethyl Sulfoxide (DMSO). Do not breathe gas/fumes/vapour/spray. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Irritant to eyes, respiratory system and skin. S23 S24/25.

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