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Cell passage protocol for TR146 human buccal carcinoma cell line

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Abstract

This protocol outlines the maintenance, subculturing, and cryopreservation of TR146 oral squamous carcinoma cells for use in cancer research

Materials

- DMEM/F12 Medium with 10% FBS
- Trypsin-EDTA (0.25%)
- DMSO (20% in Medium)
- PBS (Phosphate-Buffered Saline)
- 15 mL Conical Tubes
- Tissue Culture Flasks (T75, T50, T25)
- Transfer Pipettes
- Centrifuge
- 37°C Water Bath
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Safety warnings

- ! Ensure a sterile environment to prevent cell contamination

Subculturing TR146 Cells

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- 1 **Aspirate spent media** using sterile vacuum system
- 2 **Wash monolayer** with 5 mL PBS at room temperature
- 3 **Add 3 to 5 mL trypsin** (37°C pre-warmed)
- 4 **Incubate immediately for 5 min** at 37°C (5% CO₂)
- 5 **Neutralize** with 5 mL complete DMEM-F12
- 6 **Centrifuge suspension:** 300×g
- 7 **Remove supernatants** via suctioning
- 8 **Resuspend pellet** in 3 mL fresh medium



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Seeding Densities

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	Vessel	Cell Suspension	Medium Volume
	T75	400 µL	10 mL
	T25	200 µL	5 mL

Recommended seeding densities



Cryopreservation

10 **Resuspend pellet** from step 6 in 1.5 mL medium

11 **Add 1.5 mL 20% DMSO-medium** (keep ice-cold)



12 **Aliquot** 1 mL/vial (3 vials per T75)

13 **Freeze** at -80°C (overnight) → LN2 storage



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