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# 2-8CELLsius™ + DMSO (USP, Ph.Eur) Product Instructions

2-8CELLsius<sup>™</sup> + DMSO is a cytoprotective, protein free solution, with bio-stabilizers that support high post thaw cell viability. Optimal recovery is achieved through a novel approach to cell physiology at ultra-low temperatures. Does not contain any growth factors, hormones, or antibiotics. Cells can be stored from -80°C to -196°C (liquid phase nitrogen). cGMP manufactured, USP Grade Components.

2-8CELLsius™ + DMSO is ready to use and does not require any dilution or further processing. Product is stable for a minimum of 6 months after receipt when stored at 2-8°C. Protect from light. Sterile membrane filtered.

## Cell types include, but not limited to:

T Cells, iPSC, MSC, progenitor, HEK293

#### RECOMMENDED FREEZING AND RECOVERY PROTOCOL

#### **FREEZING:**

#### MIX WELL BEFORE USE. DO NOT DILUTE.

- 1. Examine the culture for healthy growth, confluency, etc. and the absence of contamination. Decontaminate the external surface of cell containers with 70% ethanol.
- 2. If freezing adherent cells, remove using 0.25% trypsin for 1 to 3 minutes at 37°C.

**NOTE:** Some cell lines grown in serum-free medium may be sensitive to 0.25% trypsin and therefore, may require less trypsin or the addition of a soybean trypsin inhibitor. Wash cells with 2-8CELLsius™ (Catalog# PP338) *without DMSO* after incubating with trypsin.

- 3. Perform a cell count to determine the total number of viable cells. Cell viability should be greater than 80%, and cells should be in late log phase or pre-confluency growth phase.
- 4. Centrifuge cells at 600 to 800 RPM for 10 minutes. Remove supernatant and save 3 to 5ml for sterility testing (e.g. thioglycollate, brain heart infusion, etc.) and mycoplasma testing.
- 5. Resuspend the cells gently in an appropriate volume of 2-8CELLsius™ + 5% or 10% DMSO at a concentration of 1x10<sup>6</sup> -1x10<sup>7</sup> cells/ml.
- 6. Dispense the cell suspension in 1 to 2ml aliquots in polypropylene cryovials or glass ampules.
- 7. Seal ampules and store at room temperature for 30 minutes with occasional, gentle agitation to expose cells completely to 2-8CELLsius™ + 5% or 10% DMSO.
- 8. In general, decrease the temperature at approximately 1°C per minute in a controlled rate freezer or in an appropriate cryo-freezing container. Store cells in vapor phase liquid nitrogen, or for long-term storage, in liquid nitrogen is acceptable.

### **RECOVERY:**

- 1. Remove vials from freezer and rapidly thaw in a 37°C water bath.
- 2. Wipe vials with 70% ethanol.
- 3. Transfer cells to a 15ml centrifuge tube and slowly add 2 to 3ml of 2-8CELLsius™ (Catalog# PP338) without DMSO (cells are more fragile after thawing).
- 4. Centrifuge at 400 to 600 RPM for approximately 5 minutes.
- 5. Remove supernatant and transfer the cells to a culture flask with the appropriate volume of growth medium.
- 6. Cell viability count should be performed at least two hours after recovery.

**IMPORTANT**: Before terminating a culture, it is recommended that you test entire freeze/thaw cycle to ensure sterility of the culture and cell viability before long term storage.

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