

CliniMACS Prodigy[®] Adherent Cell Culture System GMP-compliant human mesenchymal stem cell expansion process

Application

The CliniMACS Prodigy[®] Adherent Cell Culture System allows GMP-compliant and clinical scale human mesenchymal stem cell (MSC) expansion starting from 30–100 mL human bone marrow (BM) samples.

This application sheet gives an overview of the entire process and provides information about the required materials and the subsequent quality control assays. In addition, it elucidates the setup of the tubing set CliniMACS Prodigy TS 730 and the performance data.

Specifications

Process capacity:	scalable (up to 4×10 ⁸ P2 MSCs)
Starting sample volume:	30–100 mL human bone marrow sample
Final product volume:	approx. 110 mL
Total process time:	14 days
Total hands-on time:	approx. 2.8 h

Products

Consumables	Amount required
CliniMACS Prodigy [®] Instrument	1 piece
CliniMACS Prodigy TS 730	1 set
MSC-Brew GMP Medium	5 L
CliniMACS® PBS/EDTA Buffer (3×1 L)	2 L
CliniMACS® PBS/EDTA Buffer (2×3 L)	3 L
1 m Tube Extension	1 piece
3-way Tube Adapter	1 piece

Additional materials	Amount required
Corning [®] CellSTACK [®] accessories, fill cap, 3.2 mm I.D. tubing, female Luer Lock with male luer plug	4 pieces
Corning CellSTACK 5 Chamber	3 pieces
Corning CellSTACK 1 Chamber	1 piece
Luer/Spike Interconnector	3 pieces
Transfer Bag 600 mL	3 pieces
Ficoll®-Paque Premium, 100 mL, GE-Healthcare	160 mL
CTS™ TrypLE™ Select Enzyme, 100 mL, Thermo Fisher	800 mL
Defined Trypsin Inhibitor, 100 mL, Thermo Fisher	450 mL
HSA (to be added to the CliniMACS PBS/EDTA Buffer during the density gradient centrifugation)	final concentration 0.5% (w/v)

Process overview for MSC expansion

Pre-process (day 0)	Tubing set installation and priming Blocking of the tubing set with culture medium
Density gradient centrifugation (day 0)	Isolation of bone marrow mononuclear cells (BM-MNCs)
Inoculation (day 0)	Inoculation of BM-MNCs in one CellSTACK 1 Chamber
Cultivation and medium change (day 2, 6)	Cell wash and medium change
Harvest and inoculation (day 10)	Semi-automated harvest of P1 MSCs Sample collection for QC and cell counting Inoculation of P1 MSCs in three CellSTACK 5 Chambers
Cultivation and medium change (day 12)	Medium change
Harvest and final formulation (day 14)	Semi-automated harvest of P2 MSCs Sample collection for QC and cell counting Storage of cells in the target cell bag
Post-process (day 14)	Tubing set deinstallation
Quality control (>day 14)	Flow cytometry-based MSC characterization (e.g. MSC Phenotyping Kit, human) Trilineage differentiation potential of MSCs (e.g. StemMACS™ AdipoDiff/OsteoDiff/ChondroDiff Media, human) T cell suppression potential of MSCs (e.g. MSC Suppression Inspector, human)
14 days for total process	

Principle of the MSC expansion process using the CliniMACS Prodigy®



CliniMACS Prodigy TS 730 setup for MSC expansion



Performance data



Human MSCs were isolated from bone marrow-mononuclear cells (BM-MNCs) and initially seeded in one CellSTACK 1 Chamber, then expanded in three CellSTACK 5 Chambers in MSC-Brew GMP Medium using the CliniMACS Prodigy® Adherent Cell Culture System. The same experiment was facilitated manually following a standard protocol using T175 flasks. (A) After 14 days of expansion, similar cell numbers of P2 MSCs were harvested by using the CliniMACS Prodigy Adherent Cell Culture System (3.8×10⁸) compared to manual handling (4.5×10⁸). (B) A flow cytometry-based quality control assay using the MSC Phenotyping Kit was performed to confirm the quality of resulting MSCs processed with the CliniMACS Prodigy Adherent Cell Culture System. Harvested MSCs met ISCT criteria showing high expression levels of MSC specific markers CD73, CD90, CD105, and very low expression of non-MSC markers.



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