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General information

Description	According to authentication studies performed, the identity of the U-373 MG cell line has been questioned. Authentication via STR analysis as well as morphological and immunological analysis has revealed that U-373 MG is identical to U-251 MG.
Organism	Human
Tissue	Brain
Disease	Astrocytoma
Synonyms	U-251MG, U-251-MG, U-251_MG, U251-MG, U251MG, U-251, U251, U251n, U251N, 251 MG, 251MG

Characteristics

Age	75 years
Gender	Male
Ethnicity	Caucasian
Morphology	Epithelial-like
Growth properties	Adherent

Identifiers / Biosafety / Citation

Citation	U-251 MG (Cytion catalog number 300385)
Biosafety level	1

Expression / Mutation

Protein expression	Expression of GFAP and vimentin
Tumorigenic	SMRV: Negative, as confirmed by Real-Time PCR

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Handling

Culture Medium	DMEM
Medium supplements	10% FBS, w: 4.5 g/L Glucose, w: 4 mM L-Glutamine, w: 1.5 g/L NaHCO ₃ , w: 1.0 mM Sodium pyruvate
Passaging solution	Accutase
Doubling time	24 hours
Subculturing	Remove medium and rinse the adherent cells using PBS without calcium and magnesium (3-5 ml PBS for T25, 5-10ml for T75 cell culture flasks). Add Accutase (1-2ml per T25, 2.5ml per T75 cell culture flask), the cell sheet must be covered completely. Incubate at ambient temperature for 10 minutes. Carefully resuspend the cells with medium (10 ml), centrifuge for 3 min at 300 g, resuspend cells in fresh medium and dispense into new flasks which contain fresh medium.
Split ratio	A ratio of 1:3 to 1:5 is recommended
Seeding density	1 x 10 ⁴ cells/cm ²
Fluid renewal	2 to 3 times per week
Freezing recovery	Fast, within 24 hours
Freeze medium	CM-1 (Cytion catalog number 800100) or CM-ACF (Cytion catalog number 806100)
Handling of cryopreserved cultures	The cells come deep-frozen shipped on dry ice. Please make sure that the vial is still frozen. If immediate culturing is not intended, the cryovial must be stored below -150 degree Celsius after arrival. If immediate culturing is intended, please follow the below instructions: Quickly thaw by rapid agitation in a 37 degree Celsius water bath within 40-60 seconds. The water bath should have clean water containing an antimicrobial agent. As soon as the sample has thawed, remove the cryovial from the water bath. A small ice clump should still remain and the vial should still be cold. From now on, all operations should be carried out under aseptic conditions. Transfer the cryovial to a sterile flow cabinet and wipe with 70% alcohol. Carefully open the vial and transfer the cell suspension into a 15 ml centrifuge tube containing 8 ml of culture medium (room temperature). Resuspend the cells carefully. Centrifuge at 300 x g for 3 min and discard the supernatant. The centrifugation step may be omitted, but in this case the remains of the freeze medium have to be removed 24 hours later. Resuspend the cells carefully in 10 ml fresh cell culture medium and transfer them into two T25 cell culture flasks. All further steps are described in the subculture section.

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Handling of proliferating cultures

One or two cell culture flasks come filled with cell culture medium. Collect the entire medium in 1 or 2 x 50 ml centrifuge tubes, respectively. Carefully add 5 ml of cell culture medium to each T25 cell culture flask. Control the cell morphology and confluency under the microscope. Incubate at 37 degree Celsius for a minimum of 24 hours. Spin down the collected medium at 300 x g for 3 minutes to collect the cells which may have detached during transit. If a cell pellet is visible, resuspend the cells in 5 ml of cell culture medium and transfer to a T25 cell culture flask. Incubate at 37 degree Celsius for a minimum of 24 hours.

Quality control / Genetic profile / HLA

Sterility

Mycoplasma contaminations are ruled out through PCR-based and luminescence-based mycoplasma assays. The absence of bacterial, fungal or yeast contamination is controlled through daily visual cell monitoring.

STR profile

Amelogenin: x,Y
CSF1PO: 11,12
D13S317: 10,11
D16S539: 12
D5S818: 11,12
D7S820: 10,12
TH01: 9.3
TPOX: 8
vWA: 16,18
D3S1358: 16,17
D21S11: 29,30
D18S51: 13
Penta E: 7,10
Penta D: 10,12
D8S1179: 13,15
FGA: 21,25

HLA alleles

A*: 02:01:01
B*: 18:01:01
C*: 05:01:01
DRB1*: 03:01:01
DQA1*: 05:xx
DQB1*: 02:01:01
DPB1*: 04:02:01
E: 01:03:01