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Product Information

Human Renal Glomerular Endothelial Cells (HRGEC)

Catalog Number	10HU-078	Cell Number	0.5 million cells/vial
Species	Homo sapiens	Storage Temperature	Liquid Nitrogen

Description

Human primary renal glomerular endothelial cells (HRGEC) are a specialized microvascular cell type involved in the regulation of glomerular ultrafiltration. They form the inner part of the filtration barrier and are involved in pathophysiological processes in the glomerulum ^[1]. HRGEC constitutively produce bio-active molecules, which can be amplified by inflammatory and thrombotic molecules^[2]. Endothelial cell injury due to a severe glomerular lesion can inhibit angiogenesis and result in sclerosis at the injured site ^[3,4]. HRGEC injury affects mesangial and epithelial cells and leads to the progression of renal disease ^[4]. The biological properties of HRGEC remain largely unknown because of difficulties associated with the culturing, cloning and propagation of these cells.

iXCells Biotechnologies provides high quality HRGEC, which are isolated from human kidneys and cryopreserved at P0 after purification, with >0.5 million cells in each vial. HRGEC are characterized by immunofluorescence with antibodies specific to vWF/Factor VIII and CD31 (PECAM), and by the formation of microtubular structures in vitro. They are negative for HIV-1, HBV, HCV, mycoplasma, bacteria, yeast, and fungi. HRGEC can proliferate in Endothelial Cell Growth Medium (Cat# MD-0010), but they are not recommended for further expansion, because the purity of the endothelial population may decrease.



Figure 1. Human Renal Glomerular Endothelial Cells (HRGEC) (phase contrast).

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Product Details

Tissue	Normal human kidney
Package Size	0.5 million cells/vial
Passage Number	P0
Shipped	Cryopreserved
Storage	Liquid nitrogen
Growth Properties	Adherent
Media	Endothelial Cell Growth Medium (Cat# MD-0010)

Protocols

Thawing of Frozen Cells

- 1. Upon receipt of the frozen HRGEC, it is recommended to thaw the cells and initiate the culture immediately in order to retain the highest cell viability.
- To thaw the cells, put the vial in 37°C water bath with gentle agitation for ~1 minute. Keep the cap out of water to minimize the risk of contamination.
- 3. Pipette the cells into a 15ml conical tube with 5ml fresh Endothelial Cell Growth Medium (Cat# MD-0010).
- 4. Centrifuge at 1,000rpm (~220g) for 5 minutes under room temperature.
- 5. Remove the supernatant and resuspend the cells in fresh Endothelial Cell Growth Medium.
- 6. Culture the cell in T75 flask.
- 7. HRGEC can proliferate in Endothelial Cell Growth Medium, but they are not recommended for further expansion.

Safety Precaution: it is highly recommended that protective gloves and clothing should be used when handling frozen vials.

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