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Human Truncated Vitronectin / VTN-N Protein (Cat. No. VIN-H5117) hPSC Coating Culture Protocol



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1. Experimental instruments and materials

1.1 Instruments: Biosafety cabinet, cell incubator, low temperature horizontal centrifuge, inverted microscope, EnSight (PerkinElmer, HH3400), Microscopic, Flow cytometer.

1.2 Materials: Sterile pipette tips, Sterile EP tube and other consumables.

1.3 Reagents:

Name	Vendor	Cat. No.
mTeSR™-Plus	STEM CELL	100-0276
Y27632	MCE	HY-10071
Gentle Cell Dissociation Reagent	STEM CELL	100-0485
PBS	HyClone	SH30256.01
Cell Counting-Lite 2.0 Luminescent Cell Viability Assay	Vazyme	DD1101-02
24 well plate	Nest	702001
OCT4	CST	2750S
NANOG	CST	4903S
SOX2	Santa Cruz	sc-365823
PE-OCT4	Biolegend	653703
PE-SOX2	Biolegend	656103
SSEA4	CST	4755T

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1.4 Activity Assay :

Cell Viability Assay: CellCounting-Lite 2.0 Luminescent Cell Viability Assay

FACS Assay : OCT4, SOX2, SSEA4

IF Assay : OCT4, NANOG, SOX2

1.5 Test samples & concentration:

vitronectin: 0.5µg/cm²

1.6 Groups

ACRO: Human Truncated Vitronectin / VTN-N Protein (Cat. No. VIN-H5117)

2. Vitronectin plate coating

2.1. Use sterile PBS to dissolve vitronectin and configure into a 100 µg/ml solution. The final working concentration of **0.5-1 µg/cm²** is recommended. When culture hPSCs for the first time, a higher working concentration is recommended to adapt the new matrix. We recommend using an initial coating concentration of 0.5 µg/cm² on the culture surface. The detailed guidance for calculating the adding volumes of vitronectin is referred to the Table.

Culture vessel	Surface area	Coating concentration	Volume (vitronectin-100µg/ml)	mTeSR™-Plus
6-well	10 cm ²	0.5 µg/cm ²	50 µL/well	2 mL
12-well	4 cm ²	0.5 µg/cm ²	25 µL/well	1 mL
24-well	2 cm ²	0.5 µg/cm ²	10 µL/well	0.5 mL
48-well	1 cm ²	0.5 µg/cm ²	5 µL/well	0.25 mL

For example, for one well of a 12-well plate, add 20µL of vitronectin (2µg) in 480µL PBS. Then, add 0.5 mL of diluted vitronectin solution to the well.

2.2. Add indicated volumes of the vitronectin-PBS mixture into the each well and gently shake to ensure that matrix is spread across the well.

2.3. Incubate at room temperature for at least 1 hour before use. Do not allow the culture vessel to dry.

2.4. Aspirate the vitronectin solution and discard when cells are ready to be plated.

3. Cell Culture - hPSC

- 3.1. Pre-warm the required volume of cell culture medium containing 10 μ M Y-27632 (final concentration) to 37° C.
- 3.2. Remove the spent culture medium and wash the adherent cells gently with 0.5 ml of PBS in each well (12 well).
- 3.3. Add 0.5ml Gentle Cell Dissociation Reagent to each well. Stand at room temperature for 6-8 minutes or keep under microscopic observation until cells are not bound to the plate.
- 3.4. Add equal volume of mTeSR™-Plus, gently mix the cells and transfer it into a centrifuge tube at room temperature at 300g for 5 minutes.
- 3.5. Adjust the concentration of the cell suspension with the pre-warmed medium containing 10 μ M Y-27632. The recommended cell density is 8×10^4 cells/well in a 12-well plate, and ensure passage in 4-5 days.
- 3.6. When cells are cultured to passage 5, cells are collected for detection of stemness genes.

Culture vessel	6 well	12 well	24 well	96 well
Cell numbers	$2.5 \sim 3.5 \times 10^5$	$6 \sim 8 \times 10^4$	$3 \sim 4 \times 10^4$	$0.5 \sim 1 \times 10^4$

4. Cell Counting-Lite 2.0 Luminescent Cell Viability Assay

- 4.1. Pre-warm the 1X Cell Counting-Lite 2.0 Luminescent to room temperature.
- 4.2. Add 250µl 1X Cell Counting-Lite 2.0 Luminescent to 24-well cell culture plate and incubate at room temperature for 15 min.
- 4.3. Transfer 250µl supernatant to a black dark plate and test on the EnSight (PerkinElmer, HH3400).

5. FACS

- 5.1. Collected cells and add 4% paraformaldehyde to fix for 15 min at room temperature.
- 5.2. Add 500µl PBS to wash and incubate at room temperature for 15 min with 350µl 0.5% Triton X-100.
- 5.3. Wash with 500µl PBS after centrifugation and incubate at 4° C with 2% BSA containing antibodies (PE-OCT4, PE-SOX2, SSEA4) for 1h in the dark.
- 5.4. Transfer the cells to a 96-well V-plate with 100µl PBS ready for flow cytometry.

6. IF

- 6.1. Discard the supernatant and add 350μl of 4% paraformaldehyde to fix for 15 min at room temperature (for 24-well plate).
- 6.2. Wash with 500μl PBS and incubate at room temperature with 350μl 0.5% Triton X-100 for 15 min.
- 6.3. Wash with 500μl PBS and incubate at room temperature with 2% BSA for 1h.
- 6.4. Wash with 500μl PBS and incubate overnight at 4°C with 2% BSA coating primary antibody (OCT4, NANOG, SOX2).
- 6.5. Wash 3 times with 500μl PBS and incubate at room temperature with 2% BSA coating second antibody.
- 6.6. Wash 3 times with 500μl PBS and incubate at room temperature with PBS coating DAPI for 10min.
- 6.7. Wash 3 times with 500μl PBS and add 100μl PBS ready for Microscopic observation.

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