



# Human Mammary Epithelial Cells



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# Human Mammary Epithelial Cells

Catalog No.	Product Name	Format	Short-term Storage	Long-term Storage	Thawing Instructions
ax3512	Mammary Epithelial Cells (Male)	500,000 cells/vial	Liquid Nitrogen	Liquid Nitrogen	See below
ax3513	Mammary Epithelial Cells (Female)	500,000 cells/vial	Liquid Nitrogen	Liquid Nitrogen	See below
ax3537	Mammary Epithelial Cell Culture Medium	500 mL	Store at 4°C for up to 1 month	Aliquot and store at -20°C for up to 6 months	Thaw at 4°C or at room temperature

Lot-specific information such as donor details and passage number are stated in the Certificate of Analysis for each product.

## Recommendations

### Important!

Always count the number of viable cells after thawing.

- Recommended culture vessel coating: Not required
- Recommended cell culture medium: **Mammary Epithelial Cell Culture Medium**
- Recommended seeding density: **5,000 viable cells/cm<sup>2</sup>**
- Recommended centrifugation speed: **200 x g for 5 minutes**

## Thawing and Plating

- Transfer the vial of cells from liquid nitrogen storage with the vial buried in dry ice. Remove the vial from dry ice and transfer it immediately to a **37°C** water bath.
- Thaw the cells quickly in a **37°C** water bath until just prior to complete thawing.
- Wipe the outside of the vial with 70% ethanol.
- Gently resuspend the cells and take an aliquot to perform a cell count.
- **Immediately after thawing**, slowly dilute the cells into the required volume of pre-warmed **Mammary Epithelial Cell Culture Medium** (must be at least **10 mL** so that the concentration of DMSO is less than 1%).
- Rinse the cryovial with **1 mL** of **Mammary Epithelial Cell Culture Medium** to ensure all of the cells are transferred.
- Seed cells into the culture vessel at the recommended seeding density of **5,000 viable cells/cm<sup>2</sup>**.
- Incubate the cells at **37°C, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>** in a humidified incubator.
- Once the cells have attached (after 6-24 hours), replace the culture medium with fresh, pre-warmed **Mammary Epithelial Cell Culture Medium**.
- Frequency of media changes: **Every 2 days**

## Passaging

- Passage when the culture reaches: **95-100% confluent**
- Recommended passaging reagent: **Trypsin-EDTA**
- After adding passaging reagent, incubate the cells for **5 minutes** at **37°C**. Observe the cells at regular intervals for detachment from the culture vessel.
- Once the cells have detached, dilute out the trypsin with pre-warmed **Mammary Epithelial Cell Culture Medium**.
- Centrifuge the cells at **200 x g** for **5 minutes**.
- Remove the supernatant and resuspend the cell pellet in **1-2 mL** of pre-warmed **Mammary Epithelial Cell Culture Medium**.
- Perform a cell count to determine the number of viable cells.
- Dilute the cells into the required volume of pre-warmed **Mammary Epithelial Cell Culture Medium**.
- Seed cells into the culture vessel at the recommended seeding density of **5,000 viable cells/cm<sup>2</sup>**.
- Incubate the cells at **37°C**, **5% CO<sub>2</sub>** in a humidified incubator.

### Important!

It is recommended that low passage **Mammary Epithelial Cells** are used for endpoint assays since the proportion of luminal cells may decrease upon passaging and the proportion of basal cells may increase upon passaging.

## Usage Statement

Our products are intended for research use only and are not to be used for any other purpose, which includes but is not limited to, unauthorized commercial uses, *in vitro* diagnostic uses, *ex vivo* or *in vivo* therapeutic uses or any type of consumption or application to humans.

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