



Product Sheet

# Corneal Epithelial Cell Basal Medium (ATCC® PCS-700-030™)

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**2°C to 8°C, protect from light**

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Biosafety Level  
**1**

## Shipping Information

room temperature

## Description

**Product Description:** Corneal Epithelial Cell Basal Medium is a sterile, phenol red-free, liquid tissue culture medium intended for use as one component in a complete ATCC® Primary Cell Solutions™ system. This serum-free system is designed to support corneal epithelial cells derived from normal human cornea. Corneal Epithelial Cell Basal Medium contains essential and non-essential amino acids, vitamins, other organic compounds, trace minerals and inorganic salts. To support the proliferation and plating efficiency of corneal epithelial cells, Corneal Cell Basal Medium must be supplemented with the appropriate cell-specific growth kit. When using this complete media system, the growth of corneal epithelial cells is supported without the use of feeder layers, extracellular matrix proteins or other substrates.

- A. For corneal epithelial cells derived from corneal tissue (e.g., Primary Corneal Epithelial Cells, Normal, Human, ATCC PCS-700-010), supplement Corneal Epithelial Cell Basal Medium with the Corneal Epithelial Cell Growth Kit (ATCC PCS-700-040).
- B. Optional media supplements:
  1. Gentamicin-Amphotericin B Solution (ATCC PCS-999-025)
  2. Penicillin-Streptomycin-Amphotericin B Solution (ATCC PCS-999-002)
  3. Phenol Red (ATCC PCS-999-001)

**Volume:** 485 mL

## Directions for Use

1. Obtain one growth kit from the freezer; make sure that the caps of all components are tight.
2. Thaw the components of the growth kit just prior to adding them to the basal medium. If the growth kit contains L-glutamine, warm the L-glutamine component in a 37°C water bath and shake to dissolve any precipitates prior to adding to the basal medium.
3. Obtain one bottle of Corneal Cell Basal Medium (485 mL) from cold storage.
4. Decontaminate the external surfaces of all growth kit component vials and the basal medium bottle by spraying them with 70% ethanol.
5. Using aseptic technique and working in a laminar flow hood or biosafety cabinet, transfer the indicated volume of each growth kit component, as indicated in Table 1, to the bottle of basal medium using a separate sterile pipette for each transfer.

**Table 1.** Corneal Epithelial Cell Growth Kit Components

Component	Volume	Final Concentration
Apo-transferrin	0.5 mL	5 mg/mL
Epinephrine	0.5 mL	1.0 mM
Extract P	2 mL	0.4%
Hydrocortisone Hemisuccinate	0.5 mL	100 ng/mL
L-Glutamine	15 mL	6 mM
rh Insulin	0.5 mL	5 mg/mL
CE Growth Factor	1 mL	Proprietary formulation

Antimicrobials and phenol red are not required for proliferation but may be added if desired. The recommended volume of each **optional** component to be added to the complete media is summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2.** Addition of Antimicrobials/Antibiotics and Phenol Red (Optional)

Component	Volume	Final Concentration
Gentamicin-Amphotericin B Solution	0.5 mL	Gentamicin: 10 µg/mL Amphotericin B: 0.25 µg/mL
Penicillin-Streptomycin-Amphotericin B Solution	0.5 mL	Penicillin: 10 Units/mL Streptomycin: 10 µg/mL Amphotericin B: 25 ng/mL
Phenol Red	0.5 mL	33 µM

6. Tightly cap the bottle of complete growth medium and swirl the contents gently to assure a homogeneous solution. Do not shake forcefully to avoid foaming. Label and date the bottle.
7. Complete growth media should be stored in the dark at 2°C to 8°C (do not freeze). When stored under these conditions, complete media is stable for 30 days.

## Quality Control Specifications

**Cell testing:** Rate of proliferation and morphology.

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