

Protocol for passaging of NHEK/SVTERT3-5

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Evercyte Ord. No.:	CLHT-011-0026-5
Designation:	NHEK/SVTERT3-5, human epidermal keratinocytes
Growth medium:	KGM™-2 BulletKit™ (Lonza, Cat# CC-3107) supplemented with G418: <u>Final components:</u> KBM™-2 basal medium (Lonza, Cat# CC-3103) Components of KGM™-2 SingleQuots (Lonza, Cat# CC-4152: BPE, hEGF, insulin, hydrocortisone, transferrin, epinephrine, w/o GA) 50 µg/ml G418 (InvivoGen, Cat# ant-gn5, 100 mg/ml stock solution, ready-to-use) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - take one bottle of KGM™-2 basal medium (500 ml) - add 2 ml of BPE (component of KGM™-2 SingleQuots™) - add 500 µl of hEGF (component of KGM™-2 SingleQuots™) - add 500 µl of Insulin (component of KGM™-2 SingleQuots™) - add 500 µl of Hydrocortisone (component of KGM™-2 SingleQuots™) - add 500 µl of Transferrin (component of KGM™-2 SingleQuots™) - add 500 µl of Epinephrine (component of KGM™-2 SingleQuots™) - add 250 µl of G418 stock solution (100 mg/ml) - mix properly - store at 4°C for a maximum of 4 weeks - temper the medium to room temperature (not 37°C) before use
Additional reagents:	0.05% Trypsin-EDTA (Gibco, Cat# 25300-054, ready-to-use, stored at 4°C) Defined Trypsin Inhibitor (Gibco, Cat# R007100, ready-to-use, stored at 4°C) PBS (Sigma-Aldrich, Cat# D8537, ready-to-use, stored at RT)
Passaging of cells:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - remove and discard the culture medium - wash the cells once with PBS (160 µl/cm²), remove PBS completely - add Trypsin-EDTA solution (20 µl/cm²), make sure that all cells have been in contact with this solution - incubate the culture flask at 37°C for approximately 4-5 min - observe cell detachment under an inverted microscope - as soon as all cells are detached (if necessary, agitate the cells by gently hitting the flask), add Defined Trypsin Inhibitor (20 µl/cm²) - resuspend the cells in growth medium (about 160 µl/cm²) and aspirate the cells by pipetting - centrifuge at 170 g for 5 min

- discard the supernatant, resuspend the cell pellet in the remaining droplet and add growth medium
 - transfer appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels supplemented with growth medium (final volume of 240 $\mu\text{l}/\text{cm}^2$)
 - a split ratio of 1:2 to 1:3 twice a week is recommended (after having reached about 60-70 % confluence)
 - perform a medium change after 2-3 days if cells have not reached required cell density
 - cultivate cells at 37°C in a humidified atmosphere with 5% CO₂
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