

EV toolbox

From production to characterization

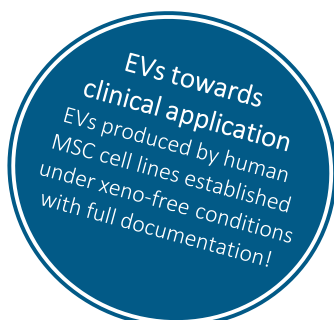
Good experiments start with the right choices – hTERT immortalized cell lines retain the cell-type specific phenotype while constantly growing. No more lot-to-lot variability. No more growth arrest. **Just the perfect choice!**

Extracellular vesicles– in a nutshell

EV cell factories: telomerized xeno-free MSCs from adipose tissue, bone marrow, dental pulp, amnion, placenta and Wharton’s jelly

EV characteristics: presence of CD9, CD81, CD63, typical EV size and double-layer membrane

Cell specific *in vitro* biological activity (anti-inflammatory, anti-fibrotic, neo-angiogenic and wound, cartilage-healing)



Extracellular vesicles from human telomerized cells

Extracellular vesicles (EVs) play an essential role in cellular communication by transporting proteins, lipids as well as nucleic acids. Thus, EVs have attracted the attention of biomedical research in immunotherapy, anti-tumor therapy, or regenerative and transplant medicine, as EVs secreted from e.g. human mesenchymal stromal cells have been shown to be equally effective as the transplanted cells in different studies. Thus, using EVs instead of cells might reduce regulatory burden and allow for therapeutic off-the-shelf products.

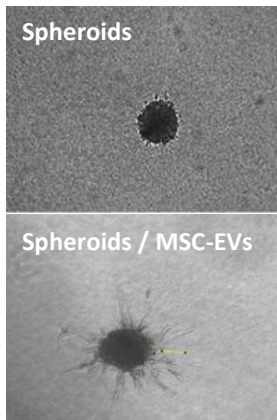
Currently, Evercyte EV cell factories portfolio consist of MSC from adipose tissue (ASC/TERT300), bone-marrow (BM-MSC/TERT292), dental pulp (DPSC/TERT334), placenta (CP-MSC/TERT308), amnion (P-MSC/TERT308) and Wharton’s jelly (WJ-MSC/TERT273).

Human production hosts

- Tissue sourcing and establishment of primary cells under xeno-free conditions with full documentation
- Lifespan extension of primary cells by ectopic expression of hTERT and/or cell cycle regulators using non-viral gene transfer
- Characterization of cells for expression of cell type specific markers and function, quality control testing, cell stability, identity, growth potential

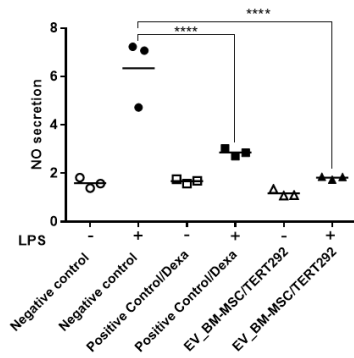
Extracellular vesicles

- Production of EVs using 2D or 3D culture (e.g. hollow fiber bioreactor), enrichment by tangential flow filtration (TFF)
- Characterization of EVs for particles concentration/size (NTA), analysis of protein content and presence of EV markers (beads-based flow cytometry), morphology (cryo-EM)
- *In vitro* potency testing (e.g. neo-angiogenic, anti-inflammatory, anti-fibrotic, wound and cartilage-healing assay)



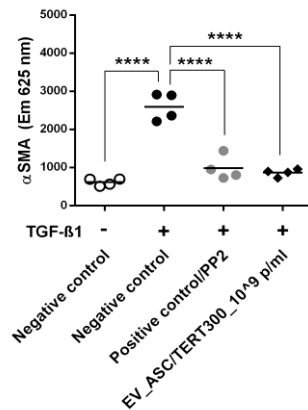
Neo-angiogenesis

Treatment of endothelial spheroids with MSC derived EVs induces the formation of sprouts, indicating an neo-angiogenic potential of such EVs.



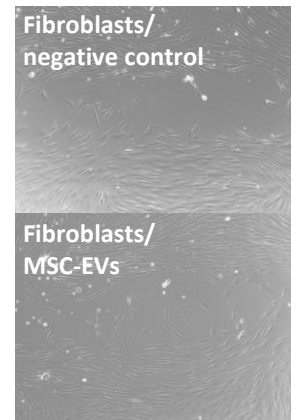
Anti-inflammation

Addition of MSC derived EVs to LPS induced mouse macrophages (RAW267.4) significantly reduces NO formation indicating an anti-inflammatory activity of the EVs.



Anti-fibrosis

Treatment of dermal fibroblasts with TGF-β1 induces expression of α-SMA. MSC-derived EVs significantly reduce α-SMA induction, indicating anti-fibrotic activity.



Wound-healing

A physical gap within the monolayer of telomerised human fibroblasts is created and monitored over 72h. The addition of MSC-EVs, significantly promotes the gap closure.

Evercyte has focused on the establishment of human cell lines that allow standardizable production of high quality extracellular vesicles

Evercyte is committed to follow the principles of Good Cell Culture Practice (GCCP, Pamies et al. 2022).

Our production host cell lines are:

- established following ethical standards (approved by IRB) with prior given written informed consent
- quality tested (sterility, absence of specific human-pathogenic viruses, STR-profile, longevity)
- characterized for presence of cell type specific markers and functions