Products for Neuronal Cell Culture

Invitrogen, under the GIBCO[™] brand name, offers an ever-expanding array of media, supplements and growth factors to advance neuroscience research.

Neurobasal[™] Media

Neurobasal[™] Media are basal media formulated to meet the neuronal cell's special requirements. When supplemented with B27, they allow for long-term maintenance of the normal phenotype and growth of neuronal cells, and maintain pure populations of neuronal cells without the need of an astrocyte feeder layer.

- Neurobasal[™] Medium is for long-term growth of fetal hippocampal neurons and many other neurons of the CNS.
- Neurobasal[™]-A Medium is for long-term growth and viability of rat postnatal and adult hippocampal and cortical neurons of the CNS.
- New formulations without Phenol Red are now available.



Figure 1. Primary rat cortical neurons, E18, were plated in GIBCO[™] Neurobasal[™] Medium at 2 x 10⁵ cells/well in 24-well plates. Cells were transfected 4 days later using 0.8 µg of pCMV-SPORT*b*-gal DNA, purified using Concert[™] High Purity Plasmid Purification System, and 4 µl of LipofectAMINE[™] 2000 Reagent.

B-27 Supplement

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An optimized serum substitute developed for low-density plating and long-term viability and growth of hippocampal and other CNS neurons. When added to Neurobasal[™] Media, B-27 supports the growth of neuronal cells without an astrocyte feeder layer and is effective for the growth of neuronal tumor cell lines.

B-27 Supplement Minus AO

Antioxidants have been removed from B-27, making it ideal in studies of oxidative damage and rescue, apoptosis, or age-related neurodegenerative diseases where free radical damage to neurons occur.

B-27 Supplement Without Vitamin A (Retinoic Acid)

The newest B-27 formulation can be used for the growth of CNS progenitor or stem cells when combined with D-MEM/F12, Neurobasal™ or E-MEM and β-FGF.

N-2 Supplement

A chemically defined additive for Neurobasal[™] Media for growth of rat primary embryonic neurons and embryonic CNS progenitor cells.

G-5 Supplement

A chemically defined additive for the growth of glial cells, also supports growth of primary and serial tumor lines of the astrocytic phenotype when added to D-MEM, D-MEM/F12, E-MEM, or other basal formulations.

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Neurotrophins and Other Growth Factors

- BDNF—human, recombinant Brain-Derived Neurotrophic Factor
- GDNF—human, recombinant Glial-Derived Neurotrophic Factor
- β-FGF—human, recombinant Basic Fibroblast Growth Factor
- NGF 2.5S and 7S—murine Nerve Growth Factors
- IGF-I-Insulin-like Growth Factor I
- α-FGF—Acidic Fibroblast Growth Factor
- PDGF BB—Platelet-Derived Growth Factors



Ordering Information

roduct	Cat. No.	Size
Neurobasal [™] Medium (1X)	21103-049	500 ml
Neurobasal [™] Medium (1X) without Phenol Red	12348-017	500 ml
Neurobasal [™] - A Medium (1X)	10888-022	500 ml
Neurobasal [™] - A Medium (1X) without Phenol Red	12349-015	500 ml
B-27 Supplement (50X)	17504-044	10 ml
B-27 Supplement Minus AO (50X)	10889-038	10 ml
B-27 Supplement w/o Vitamin A (50X)	0980153SA	10 ml
N-2 Supplement (100X)	17502-048	5 ml
G-5 Supplement (100X)	17503-012	1 ml
Brain-Derived Neurotrophic Factor, Human, Recombinant	10908-010	5 µg
Glial-Derived Neurotrophic Factor, Human, Recombinant	10907-012	5 µg
Basic Fibroblast Growth Factor (β -FGF), Human, Recombinant	13256-029	10 µg
Nerve Growth Factor 2.5S (NGF 2.5S), Murine, Natural	13257-019	10 µg
Nerve Growth Factor 7S (NGF 7S), Murine, Natural	13290-010	100 µg
Insulin-Like Growth Factor-I (IGF-I), Human, Recombinant	13245-063	10 µg
Acidic Fibroblast Growth Factor (α-FGF), Human, Recombinant	13241-013	10 µg
Platelet-Derived Growth Factor BB (PDGF BB), Human, Recombinant	13244-033	5 µg
GlutaMax [™] -1 Supplement	35050-061	100 ml
Customized Neuronal Cell Media	•	•
LipofectAMINE [™] 2000	11668-019 11668-027	1.5 ml 0.75 ml
SuperScript™ cDNA Libraries		
Human Brain	10418-010	1.4 kb
Human Fetal Brain	10662-013	1.7 kb
Mouse Brain	10655-025	1.9 kb
Rat Brain	10653-012	1.5 kb
Systems for Molecular Biology		
SFV Gene Expression System pSFV Eukaryotic Expression Vector	18448-019	10 µg
SFV Gene Expression System pSFV-Helper2 DNA	10180-016	10 µg
Extra-Cellular Matrix Reagents		
Fibronectin (Human)	33016-023 33016-015	1 mg 5 mg
Fibronectin (Murine)	12173-019	1 mg
Laminin (Human)	12163-010	100 µg
Laminin (Murine)	23017-015	1 mg

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