Description

Firefly Luciferase LNCaP Cell Line is a human prostate carcinoma cell line engineered to express Firefly luciferase driven by a CMV promoter. This cell line was generated by transduction with Firefly Luciferase Lentivirus (#79692-P).

Background

LNCaP is a human prostate carcinoma cell line isolated from the lymph node of a patient with metastatic prostate carcinoma. In contrary to many human cell lines derived from advanced prostate cancer patients, which are androgen-independent for growth and do not respond to dihydrotestosterone (DHT), the LNCaP cell line responds to DHT *in vitro* and is androgen-dependent for growth *in vivo*, making it one of the very few cell lines allowing the study of hormone-related treatments in xenograft models of prostate cancer. The presence of the luciferase reporter allows for easy assay readouts as luciferase activity is proportional to the number of cells.

Application

- Use as an internal control in co-culture killing assays
- In vitro and in vivo bioluminescence imaging

Materials Provided

Components	Format
2 vials of frozen cells	Each vial contains >1 x 10 ⁶ cells in 1 ml of Cell
	Freezing Medium (BPS Bioscience #79796)

Parental Cell Line

LNCaP cells, human prostate carcinoma, epithelial cells, adherent.

Mycoplasma Testing

The cell line has been screened to confirm the absence of Mycoplasma species.

Materials Required but Not Supplied



These materials are not supplied with the cell line but are necessary for cell culture and cellular assays. BPS Bioscience's reagents are validated and optimized for use with this cell line and are highly recommended for best results. Media components are provided in the Media Formulations section below.

Media Required for Cell Culture

Name	Ordering Information
Thaw Medium 2	BPS Bioscience #60184
Growth Medium 2E	BPS Bioscience #79638
Materials Required for Cellular Assay Name	Ordering Information
Thaw Medium 2 96-well tissue culture-treated white clear-bottom assay plate	BPS Bioscience #60184
ONE-Step™ Luciferase Assay System	BPS Bioscience #60690



Luminometer

Storage Conditions



Cells are shipped in dry ice and should immediately be thawed or stored in liquid nitrogen upon receipt. Do not use a -80°C freezer for long term storage. Contact technical support at support@bpsbioscience.com if the cells are not frozen in dry ice upon arrival.

Media Formulations

For best results, the use of validated and optimized media from BPS Bioscience is *highly recommended*. Other preparations or formulations of media may result in suboptimal performance.



Note: Thaw Media do *not* contain selective antibiotics. However, Growth Media do contain selective antibiotics, which are used to maintain selective pressure on the cell population expressing the gene of interest. Cells should be grown at $37 \,^{\circ}$ C with $5\% \, \text{CO}_2$. BPS Bioscience's cell lines are stable for at least 10 passages when grown under proper conditions.

Media Required for Cell Culture

Thaw Medium 2 (BPS Bioscience #60184):

RPMI1640 medium (ATCC modification) supplemented with 10% FBS, 1% Penicillin/Streptomycin.

Growth Medium 2E (BPS Bioscience #79638):

RPMI1640 medium (ATCC modification) supplemented with 10% FBS, 1% Penicillin/Streptomycin plus 0.5 µg/ml of Puromycin.

Media Required for Functional Cellular Assay

Thaw Medium 2 (BPS Bioscience #60184):

RPMI1640 medium (ATCC modification) supplemented with 10% FBS, 1% Penicillin/Streptomycin.

Cell Culture Protocol

Note: LnCaP cells are derived from human material and thus the use of adequate safety precautions is recommended.

Cell Thawing

1. Swirl the vial of frozen cells for approximately 60 seconds in a 37°C water bath. As soon as the cells are thawed (it may be slightly faster or slower than 60 seconds), quickly transfer the entire contents of the vial to a tube containing 10 ml of pre-warmed Thaw Medium 2.

Note: Leaving the cells in the water bath at 37°C for too long will result in rapid loss of viability.

- 2. Immediately spin down the cells at 300 *x g* for 5 minutes, remove the medium and resuspend the cells in 5 ml of pre-warmed Thaw Medium 2.
- 3. Transfer the resuspended cells to a T25 flask or T75 flask and incubate at 37°C in a 5% CO₂ incubator.
- 4. After 24 hours of culture, check for cell attachment and viability. Change medium to fresh Thaw Medium 2, and continue growing in a 5% CO₂ incubator at 37°C until the cells are ready to passage.



5. Cells should be passaged before they are fully confluent. At first passage and subsequent passages, use Growth Medium 2E.

Cell Passage

- 1. Aspirate the medium, wash the cells with phosphate buffered saline (PBS) without Ca²⁺/Mg²⁺, and detach the cells from the culture vessel with 0.25% Trypsin/EDTA.
- 2. Once the cells have detached, add Growth Medium 2E and transfer to a tube.
- 3. Spin down cells at 300 x g for 5 minutes, remove the medium and resuspend the cells in Growth Medium 2E. Seed into new culture vessels at the recommended sub-cultivation ratio of 1:2 to 1:8 once or twice per week.

Cell Freezing

- 1. Aspirate the medium, wash the cells with PBS without Ca²⁺/Mg²⁺, and detach the cells from the culture vessel with 0.25% Trypsin/EDTA.
- 2. Once the cells have detached, add Growth Medium 2E and count the cells.
- 3. Spin down the cells at 300 x g for 5 minutes, remove the medium and resuspend the cells in 4°C Cell Freezing Medium (BPS Bioscience #79796) at ~2 x 10⁶ cells/ml.
- 4. Dispense 1 ml of cell suspension into each cryogenic vial. Place the vials in an insulated container for slow cooling and store at -80°C overnight.
- 5. Transfer the vials to liquid nitrogen the next day for long term storage.



Note: It is recommended to expand the cells and freeze at least 10 vials at an early passage for future use.



Validation Data

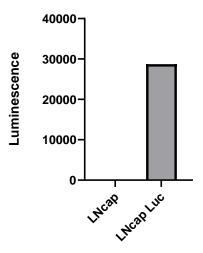


Figure 1: Luciferase activity in the Firefly Luciferase LNCaP Cell Line.

Firefly Luciferase LNCaP cells were seeded into a 96-well plate at 5000 cells/well in 50 μl of Thaw Medium 6, and luciferase activity was measured using the ONE-Step™ Luciferase Assay System (#60690).

Data shown is representative. For lot-specific information, please contact BPS Bioscience, Inc. at support@bpsbioscience.com

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Troubleshooting Guide

Visit bpsbioscience.com/cell-line-faq for detailed troubleshooting instructions. For all further questions, please email support@bpsbioscience.com.

Related Products

Products	Catalog #	Size
Firefly Luciferase Lentivirus	79692	500 μl x 2
eGFP/Firefly Luciferase U-87 MG Cell Line	78904	2 vials
eGFP/ Firefly Luciferase MM.1S Cell Line	78376	2 vials
eGFP/ Firefly Luciferase RS4;11 Cell Line	78926	2 vials
eGFP/Firefly Luciferase K562 Cell Line	78911	2 vials
eGFP/Firefly Luciferase OVCAR3 Cell Line	78953	2 vials

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