# **MNT-1 Cells**

## MNT-1 Medium

(Sterile filter as making)

	0	Final
450mL	DMEM	
100mL	FBS*	20%
5mL	Pen/Str	1x
5mL	L-glut	1x
50mL	AIM-V	10%
5mL	NEAA	1x
5mL	Na Pyruvate	1x

\*The new lot has not been tested; use older lots.

## To Carry

**Split** 1:10 if you do not need them for awhile (> week)

1:5 if you need them in 3-5 days

1:2 if you need them the next day

\*Do not split back more than 1:10 as it takes forever to recover

## Freezing

Freezing medium:	75% DMEM
	15% FBS
	10% DMSO

Grow cells until they are almost, but not actually, confluent. You want an active growth phase. If they are stationary when you freeze them, they may not recover.

#### For one T75 flask (normally try to freeze 2-3 T75 flasks)

- 1. Trypsinize the flask
- 2. Add 10 mL media to kill trypsin activity
- 3. Pellet cells 5' 800rpm table top
- 4. Aspirate media
- 5. Add 1.5mL freezing media

#### 6. Resuspend by pipetting

7. Aliquot  $500\mu$ L/tube in cryovials labeled with cell line name, passage #, date, your initials. Put in styrofoam container in -80 C overnight. The next day. transfer to liquid nitrogen tank without letting them thaw.

#### \*\*Record entry in log book\*\*

### Thawing

Add 15mL **cold** medium to a T75 flask. Go to the liquid nitrogen tank and remove tube, placing it in 37 C to thaw it quickly. When it has **just** thawed, add cells to the flask. **Ethanol the tube well.** 

#### \*\*Record removal in log book\*\*

Next day, check culture under the microscope. I normally change the media at this point to get rid of dead floating cells and DMSO. However, if a lot of live floaters (have halo around them) are present, I do not change the media and instead give them 1-2 more days to sit down.

## **Transfection**

(Notebook 3-179)

-Lipofectamine  $\rightarrow$  need to titrate for IF (for western:  $2\mu g \text{ DNA}/8\mu g$  lipofectamine) -cells do not sit down well on coverslips

Day 1  $\rightarrow$  plate cells (probably 1:25 from T75) Day 2  $\rightarrow$  transfect Day 3  $\rightarrow$  split Day 4  $\rightarrow$ Day 5  $\rightarrow$  fix

(Matrigel to get sitting down?)

Maybe try Fugene again (1 time tried and it didn't work)