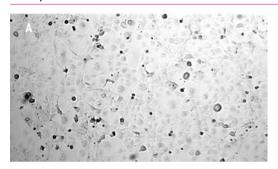


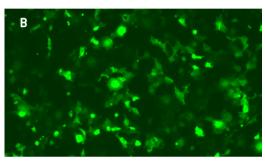
Amaxa® Cell Line Nucleofector® Kit R

For COS-7 [ATCC® CRL-1651™ or DSMZ ACC60; cryopreserved]

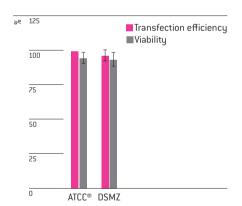
African green monkey kidney; fibroblast-like cells growing in monolayers

Example for Nucleofection® of COS-7 cells





COS-7 cells (ATCC® CRL-1651™) were transfected with the Cell Line Nucleofector® Kit R, Program W-001 and 5 µg of pmaxGFP® Vector. Cells were analyzed 24 hours post Nucleofection® using light (A) and fluorescence microscopy (B).



Average transfection efficiency of COS-7 cells. COS-7 cells (ATCC® CRL-1658™ and DSMZ ACC60) were transfected with program W-001 and 5 µg of pmaxGFP® Vector. Cells were analyzed 24 hours post Nucleofection® by flow cytometry. Cell Viability was analyzed by using CellTiter-Blue™ assay (Promega)

Product Description

Cat. No.		VCA-1001
Size (reactions)		25
Cell Line Nucleofector® Solution R		2.25 ml (2.05 ml + 10% overfill)
Supplement		0.5 ml (0.45 ml + 10% overfill)
pmaxGFP® Vector (0.5 µg/µl in 10 mM Tris pH 8.0)		
Certified cuvettes		25
Plastic pipettes		25
Storage and stability	Store Nucleofector® Solution	on Supplement and pmayGEP® Vector at $A^{\circ}C$ For long term storage

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Store Nucleofector® Solution, Supplement and pmaxGFP® Vector at 4°C. For long-term storage, pmaxGFP® Vector is ideally stored at -20°C. The expiration date is printed on the solution box. Once the Nucleofector® Supplement is added to the Nucleofector® Solution it is stable for three months at 4°C.

Optimized Protocol for COS-7 Cells

Required Material

Note

Please make sure that the entire supplement is added to the Nucleofector® Solution. The ratio of Nucleofector® Solution to supplement is 4.5:1. For a single reaction use 82 µl of Nucleofector® Solution plus 18 µl of supplement to make 100 µl of total reaction volume.

- Nucleofector® Device
- Supplemented Nucleofector® Solution at room temperature
- Supplied certified cuvettes
- Supplied plastic pipettes
- Supplied pmaxGFP® Vector
- Substrate of interest, highly purified, preferably by using endotoxin-free kits; A260: A280 ratio should be at least 1.8
- 6-well culture dish or culture system of your choice
- For detaching cells: 0.5 mg/ml Trypsin and 0.2 mg/ml EDTA in PBS and supplemented culture media or PBS/0.5% BSA
- Culture medium: DMEM (Lonza; Cat. No. BE12-604F) supplemented with 10% FCS and 1% Pen/Strep (100 µg/ml streptomycin, 100 U/ml penicilin)
- Prewarm appropriate volume of culture medium to 37°C (1.9 ml per sample)
- Appropriate number of cells (1 x 10⁶ cells per sample; lower or higher cell numbers may influence transfection results)

1. Pre Nucleofection®

Cell culture recommendations

- 1.1 Replace media 2 3 times a week
- 1.2 Passage cells after reaching confluency
- 1.3 Seed out $2 2.5 \times 10^6$ cells/T162 flask
- 1.4 Subculture 1 day before Nucleofection® (4 x 106 cells/T162 flask)

Trypsinization

- 1.5 Remove media from the cultured cells and wash cells once with PBS; use at least same volume of PBS as culture media
- 1.6 For harvesting, incubate the cells ~5 minutes at 37°C with indicated trypsinization reagent (please see required material)
- 1.7 Neutralize trypsinization reaction with supplemented culture medium or PBS/0.5% BSA once the majority of the cells (>90%) have been detached

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2. Nucleofection®

One Nucleofection® Sample contains

1 x 106 cells

 $5 \mu g \, plasmid \, DNA \, (in \, 1-5 \, \mu l \, H_2 \, 0 \, or \, TE) \, or \, 5 \, \mu g \, pmax GFP^@ \, Vector \, or \, 30-300 nM \, siRNA \, (3-30 \, pmol/sample)$

100 µl Cell Line Nucleofector® Solution R

- 2.1 Please make sure that the entire supplement is added to the Nucleofector® Solution
- 2.2 Prepare 6-well plates by filling appropriate number of wells with 1.4 ml of supplemented culture media and pre-incubate/equilibrate plates in a humidified 37°C/5% CO₂ incubator
- 2.3 Harvest the cells by trypsinization (please see 1.5 1.7)
- 2.4 Count an aliquot of the cells and determine cell density
- 2.5 Centrifuge the required number of cells (1 x 10^6 cells per sample) at 125xg for 10 minutes at room temperature. Remove supernatant completely
- 2.6 Resuspend the cell pellet carefully in 100 µl room-temperature Nucleofector® Solution per sample

Note Avoid leaving the cells in Nucleofector® Solution for extended periods of time (longer than 15 minutes), as this may reduce cell viability and gene transfer efficiency.

- 2.7 Combine 100 μ l of cell suspension with **5 \mug DNA**, 5 μ g pmaxGFP® Vector or **30 nM 300 nM** siRNA (3 30 pmol/sample) or other substrates
- 2.8 Transfer cell/DNA suspension into certified cuvette (sample must cover the bottom of the cuvette without air bubbles). Close the cuvette with the cap
- 2.9 Select the appropriate Nucleofector® Program W-001 (W-01 for Nucleofector® | Device)
- 2.10 Insert the cuvette with cell/DNA suspension into the Nucleofector® Cuvette Holder and apply the selected program by pressing the X-button
- 2.11 Take the cuvette out of the holder once the program is finished
- 2.12 Incubate the sample in the cuvette for 10 minutes at room temperature
- 2.13 Add \sim 500 μ l of the pre-equilibrated culture medium to the cuvette and gently transfer the sample into the prepared 6-well plate (final volume 1.9 ml media per well). Use the supplied pipettes and avoid repeated aspiration of the sample

3. Post Nucleofection®

3.1 Incubate the cells in humidified 37° C/5% CO_2 incubator until analysis. Gene expression or down regulation, respectively, is often detectable after only 4-8 hours

Additional Information

For an up-to-date list of all Nucleofector® References, please refer to: www.lonza.com/nucleofection-citations

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