

## IPLB-Sf21 Insect Cells

**Catalog No(s).**

631411

**Amount**

1 Vial

**Lot Number**

Specified on product label.

### Description

IPLB-Sf21 insect cells may be used as a host for propagating the *Autographa californica* multiple-enveloped nuclear polyhedrosis virus (AcMNPV) and its expression vector derivatives generated from our BacPAK™ system. The IPLB-Sf21 cell line is derived from pupal ovaries of the fall armyworm, *Spodoptera frugiperda* (1). Exponentially growing IPLB-Sf21 cells are concentrated by centrifugation and frozen in insect cell complete medium (2) containing 10% dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO).

### Package Contents

- 1 x 1 ml IPLB-Sf21 insect cells ( $2 \times 10^6$  cells/vial)

### Storage Conditions

- Liquid nitrogen vapor phase

### Shelf Life

- 1 year from date of receipt under proper storage conditions.

### Shipping Conditions

- Dry ice ( $-70^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

### Product Documents

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### References

1. Vaughn, J. L., *et al.* (1977) *In Vitro* **13**(4):213-217.
2. Hink, W. F. (1970) *Nature* **266**(5244):466-467.

### Quality Control Data

- Cell viability before freezing:  $\geq 80\%$
- Cell viability after thawing:  $\geq 60\%$   
(as determined by trypan blue dye exclusion).

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## Establishing the IPLB-Sf21 Cell Line:

1. Add 5 ml TNM-FH (2) supplemented with 10% FBS, to a 25-cm<sup>2</sup> tissue culture flask and warm to 27°C.
2. Remove the vial of cells from liquid nitrogen (wear cryogenic gloves and a face shield).
3. Thaw rapidly in a 37°C water bath with gentle agitation until the suspension is almost thawed.
4. Decontaminate the outside of the vial with 70% ethanol.
5. In a laminar flow hood, transfer the cell suspension to the prewarmed flask containing 5 ml TNM-FH/FBS medium (refer to step 1).
6. Incubate the flask at 27°C for 1–3 hr (no more than 12 hr) to allow the healthy cells to adhere to the inside surface.
7. After confirming that a significant portion of the cells has attached, gently replace medium with 5 ml prewarmed TNM-FH/FBS medium.
8. Incubate at 27°C until the cells form a 80–90% confluent layer (about 2–3 days)

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