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**Human Recombinant MC3 Melanocortin Receptor Stable Cell Line****Cat. No. M00242****Version 07272020**

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**I. INTRODUCTION**

Catalog Number: M00242

Cell Line Name: CHO-K1/MC3/Gα15

Gene Synonyms: MC3R; MC3

Expressed Gene: Genbank Accession Number NM\_019888; no expressed tags

Host Cell: CHO-K1/Gα15

Culture Properties: Adherent

Quantity: 2 vial (>1×10<sup>6</sup> per vial) frozen cells

Stability: More than 16 passages

Application: Functional assay for MC3 receptor

Freeze Medium: 45% culture medium, 45% FBS (Cat. #10099-141, Gibco), 10% DMSO (Cat. #D2650, Sigma)

Complete Growth Medium: Ham's F-12K (Kaighn's) (Cat. #21127, Life Technologies), 10% FBS

Culture Medium: Ham's F-12K (Kaighn's), 10% FBS, 200 µg/ml Zeocin (Cat. #R250-01, Life Technologies), 100 µg/ml Hygromycin B (Cat. #10687010, Invitrogen)

Mycoplasma Status: Negative\*

Storage: Liquid nitrogen immediately upon receipt

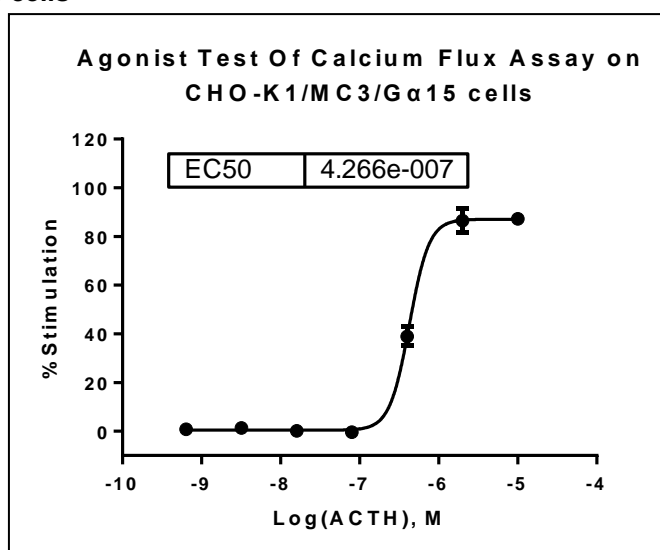
**II. BACKGROUND**

The melanocortin receptor 3, MC3 receptor, is Gs-coupled GPCRs expressed in brain, placental, and gut tissues but not in melanoma cells or in the adrenal gland. MC3 receptor knockouts exhibit a metabolic syndrome. At 4-6 months old, MC3 receptor knockout mice show increased fat mass, reduced lean mass and a higher feed efficiency, with normal metabolic rates. MC3 receptor knockout mice are hyperleptinaemic and males are often mildly hyperinsulinaemic.

\* The mycoplasma test was performed with MycoAlert™ PLUS Mycoplasma Detection Kit of Lonza.

### III. REPRESENTATIVE DATA

#### Concentration-dependent stimulation of intracellular calcium mobilization by ACTH in CHO-K1/MC3/Gα15 cells



**Figure 1.** ACTH-induced concentration-dependent stimulation of intracellular calcium mobilization in CHO-K1/MC3/Gα15 cells. The cells were loaded with Calcium-4 prior to being stimulated with an MC3 receptor agonist, ACTH. The intracellular calcium change was measured by FLIPR. The relative fluorescent units (RFU) were normalized and plotted against the log of the cumulative doses of ACTH (Mean ± SD, n = 2). The EC<sub>50</sub> of ACTH on this cell was 0.43 μM.

#### Notes:

1. EC<sub>50</sub> value is calculated with four parameter logistic equation:  

$$Y = \text{Bottom} + \frac{(\text{Top} - \text{Bottom})}{(1 + 10^{((\text{LogEC}_{50} - X) * \text{HillSlope}))}}$$

X is the logarithm of concentration. Y is the response  
 Y is RFU and starts at Bottom and goes to Top with a sigmoid shape.
2. Signal to background Ratio (S/B) = Top/Bottom

### IV. THAWING AND SUBCULTURING

#### Thawing Protocol

1. Remove the vial from liquid nitrogen tank and thaw cells quickly in a 37°C water-bath.
2. Just before the cells are completely thawed, decontaminate the outside of the vial with 70% ethanol and transfer the cells to a 15 ml centrifuge tube containing 9 ml of complete growth medium.
3. Pellet cells by centrifugation at 200 x g force for 5 min, and remove the medium.
4. Resuspend the cells in complete growth medium.
5. Transfer the cell suspension to a 10 cm dish with 10 ml of complete growth medium.
6. Grow the cells in incubator with 37°C, 5 %CO<sub>2</sub>.
7. Add antibiotic in the following day.

### Sub-culturing Protocol

1. Remove the culture medium from cells.
2. Wash cells with PBS (pH=7.4) to remove all traces of serum that contains trypsin inhibitor.
3. Add 2.0 ml of 0.05% (w/v) Trypsin- EDTA (GIBCO, Cat No. 25300) solution into 10 cm dish and observe the cells under an inverted microscope until cell layer is dispersed (usually within 3 to 5 minutes).

**Note:** To avoid cells clumping, do not agitate the cells by hitting or shaking the dish while waiting for the cells detach. If cells are difficult to detach, please place the dish in 37°C incubator for ~2 min.

4. Add 6.0 to 8.0 ml of complete growth medium into dish and aspirate cells by gently pipetting.
5. Centrifuge the cells at 200 x g force for 5min, and remove the medium.
6. Resuspend the cells in culture medium and add the cells suspension to new culture dish.
7. Grow the cells in incubator with 37°C, 5 %CO<sub>2</sub>.

Subcultivation Ratio: 1:3 to 1:8.

Medium Renewal: Every 2 to 3 days

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