

User Guide

RGD (Arg-Gly-Asp) Peptide

Synthetic functional peptide motif

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Storage

RGD peptide is supplied in plastic vials that should be stored in a standard laboratory fridge at 4°C. The vials should be opened in a sterile environment (e.g. a class II flow cabinet), and the peptide resuspended, and used within 12 months.

Equipment and materials required but not supplied with product

- Serum-free medium or PBS
- Vortex mixer
- 0.22 micron button filter
- Culture surface

Introduction and applications

RGD peptide is a synthetic peptide containing the RGD cell attachment sequence found in fibronectin, vitronectin and many other matrix and serum proteins. This binding is mediated via a hydroscopic C-terminal sequence in addition to the RGD motif. The RGD motif is present at the N-terminal end of the peptide, allowing for optimal cell attachment via integrin receptors.

This RGD peptide has been specifically engineered to spontaneously adhere to a variety of surfaces such as polystyrene (either tissue culture treated or non-treated), hollow fibers made of cellulose, glass, polycarbonate membranes and many other materials. This enables use in a wide range of cell culture applications.

Procedure

Please note: Use these recommendations as guidelines to determine the optimal coating conditions for your cultures system. Two options are provided: procedure A and procedure B.

A. Procedure A

- 1. Remove cap and add 5 ml of serum-free medium or PBS to the bottle.
- 2. Replace cap and vortex contents vigorously. Ensure that the RGD peptide is completely

solubilized. The solution will remain slightly hazy.

3. Transfer desired volume of solution from the bottle to a dilution vessel. Dilute to desired

concentration using serum-free medium or PBS. A typical working concentration may range from

0.1 to 10 µg/ml.

- 4. Sterile filter solution through a 0.22 micron button filter.
- 5. Aseptically add appropriate amount of diluted, sterile material to culture surface.
- 6. Incubate at room temperature or 37°C, covered, for 1 2 hours.
- 7. After incubation, aspirate remaining material.
- 8. Rinse plates carefully with dH2O avoid scratching bottom surface of plates.
- 9. Plates are ready for use. They may also be stored at 2 10°C damp or air dried if sterility is

maintained.

10. Store remaining solubilized RGD peptide at 2 - 10°C.

Additional note: Include divalent cations (Calcium, Magnesium, or Manganese) in cell attachment solution to obtain optimum cell binding.

B. Procedure B

1. Remove cap and add 5 ml of sterile 70% ethanol.

2. Replace cap and vortex contents. Ensure that the RGD peptide is completely solubilized.

3. Transfer desired volume of solution from the bottle to a dilution vessel. Dilute to the desired concentration using 70% ethanol. Concentrations from 0.1 to 10 μ g/ml should be tested.

4. Add appropriate amount of diluted material to culture surface.

5. Leave the coated container, uncovered, in a laminar flow hood until the wells are

dry.

6. Rinse plates carefully with dH2O - avoid scratching bottom surface of plates.

7. Plates are ready for use.

8. Store remaining solubilized RGD peptide at 2 - 10°C.

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