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User Bulletin Viofectin[™] Transfection Reagent

ViofectinTM Transfection Reagent utilizes Viogene's proprietary formulation for the transfection of DNA and RNA into eukaryotic cells. ViofectinTM Transfection Reagent is suitable for many cell types and providing the highly efficiency and low cellular-toxicity.

Transient transfection of adherent cells

For optimal transfection conditions with ViofectinTM Transfection Reagent, the cells should be 90-95% confluent. Typically, for transfection in 24-well plates, 5×10^4 to 1×10^5 cells are seeded per well, 24 hours before transfection. For other culture formats, see Table 1.

Shipping & Storage

Viofectin[™] Transfection Reagent is stable for 12 months at 4°C.

Culture Vessel	Number of cells to seed	Vol. of Medium per vessel(ml)	Amount of Plasmid DNA (µg)	Volume of Transfection Reagent (μl)	Total vol. of DNA/reagent complex (µl)
1well/96well	1x10 ⁴ -1.7x10 ⁴	0.1	0.05~0.2	0.15~0.4	10
1well/24well	5x10 ⁴ -1.0x10 ⁵	0.5	0.2~1.0	0.6~2.0	30
1well/6well	2x10 ⁵ -4x10 ⁵	2.0	1.0~3.0	3.0~9.0	120
35mm	2x10 ⁵ -4x10 ⁵	2.0	1.0~3.0	3.0~9.0	120
60mm	4x10 ⁵ -8x10 ⁵	5.0	3.0~5.0	6.0~15.0	300
10cm	1x10 ⁶ -6x10 ⁶	10.0	5.0~10.0	15.0~30.0	600

Table 1: Number of cells to seed before the day of transfection and transfection mix preparation for different cell culture formats.

Culture Vessel	Number of cells to seed	Vol. of Medium per vessel(ml)	Amount of Plasmid DNA (µg)	Volume of Transfection Reagent (µl)	Total vol. of DNA/reage-nt complex (μΙ)
1well/96well	2x10 ⁴ -5x10 ⁴	0.05~0.2	0.15~0.4	0.05~0.2	10
1well/24well	1x10 ⁵ -2x10 ⁵	0.2~1.0	0.6~2.0	0.2~1.0	30
1well/6well	2x10 ⁵ -5x10 ⁵	1.0~3.0	3.0~9.0	1.0~3.0	120
35mm	5x10 ⁵ -2x10 ⁵	1.0~3.0	3.0~9.0	1.0~3.0	120
60mm	2x10 ⁶ -5x10 ⁶	3.0~5.0	6.0~15.0	3.0~5.0	300
10cm	5x10 ⁶ -1x10 ⁷	5.0~10.0	15.0~30.0	5.0~10.0	600

Table 2: A Guideline for seeding suspension cells prior to transfection in different culture formats recommended.

Transfection procedure

The following protocol is given for transfection in 24-well plates. Use 1 μ l of ViofectinTM Transfection Reagent and 1 μ g of DNA per well as follows. See table1 or 2 for other culture vessel formats.

1. Preparation of ViofectinTM Working Transfection Reagent: Dilute 1 μ I ViofectinTM Transfection Reagent with 30 μ I serumfree medium (without antibiotics), and then mix by gentle pipetting or vortexing for one second. Incubate the working transfection reagent for 5 minutes at room temperature.

Note: avoiding the Viofectin[™] Transfection Reagent to contact the plastic tube surface

- 2. Add the 1 µg plasmid DNA into the Viofectin[™] Working Transfection Reagent and mix by gentle pipetting
- 3. Incubate the mixture of DNA and ViofectinTM Transfection Reagent solution at room temperature for 15 minutes. For some cell line the incubation may be up to 30 minutes.
- 4. Add DNA/Viofectin TM Transfection Reagent complex to cells in each well and mix by gentle shaking plate, Incubate cells at 37° C in CO₂ incubator for 18-48 hrs.

Transfection with siRNA

The following protocol is given for transfection in 24-well plates.

- 1. Preparation of ViofectinTM Working Transfection Reagent: Dilute 1 μ I ViofectinTM Transfection Reagent with 30 μ I serumfree medium (without antibiotics), and then mix by gentle pipetting or vortexing for one second. Incubate the working transfection reagent for 5 minutes at room temperature.
- 2. Add 100 pmol siRNA into the Viofectin[™] Working Transfection Reagent and mix by gentle pipetting
- 3. Incubate the mixture of siRNA and Viofectin[™] Transfection Reagent solution at room temperature for 15 minutes.
- 4. Add siRNA/ Viofectin[™] Transfection Reagent complex to cells in each well and mix by gentle shaking plate, Incubate cells at 37°C in CO₂ incubator for 24-72 hrs.