

# Cell Culture and Cell Analysis Streamlined Workflow Solutions

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# Cell culture

The success of the cell culture process affects the reliability, reproducibility and ultimately the credibility of downstream experiments.

Cell culture is fundamental to life science research in universities, biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, and industry. Whether your goal is to establish relevant cell models to answer research questions or to produce recombinant proteins or virus particles, Danaher™ Life Sciences companies provide complete solutions through VWR – from upstream media prep through downstream experimental analysis.

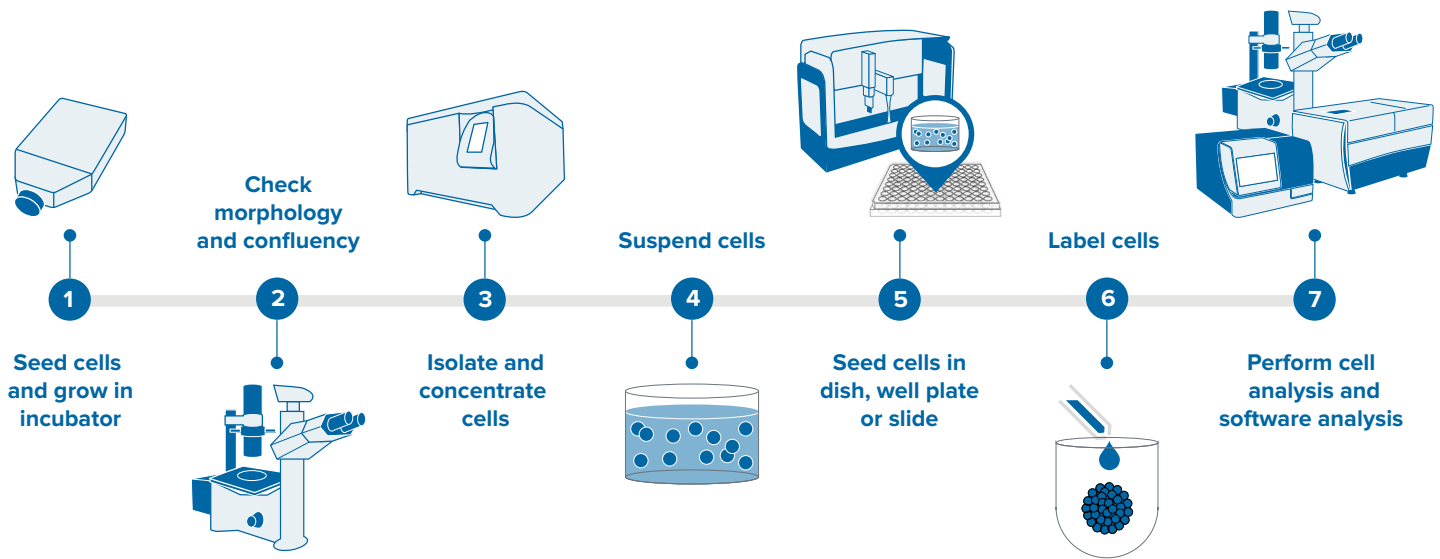
This cell culture workflow highlights the process from initial media prep and cell seeding through your scientific experiment and highlights systems to help you streamline the process and increase your cell culture throughput.

## Why cell culture?

Cell culture is typically part of a workflow that ends with scientific experiments that include one of the following:

- Cell-based assays
- Cell based imaging
- Cell line development

## Cell culture and cell analysis streamlined workflow



### 1 Seed cells

Cells are seeded into a flask, dish or multi-well plate using good aseptic technique and placed into an incubator for growth. An incubator provides the appropriate cell growth environment to control contamination, ensure adequate cell health, and promote end product yield for increased sample integrity.

### 2 Check morphology and confluence

At regular intervals, cells are monitored for contamination, morphology and confluency using a microscope or automated imager. Cells are typically sub-cultured when they are about 80% confluent, covering 80% of the cell culture vessel surface, to ensure proper growth and cell health.

### 3 Isolate and concentrate cells

When there are enough healthy cells to conduct an experiment, the cells of interest are isolated, concentrated, and counted in preparation for assay work.

### 4 Suspend cells

Concentrated cells are resuspended in fresh, agitated growth medium where they continue to multiply.

### 5 Seed cells

Next, the cells are re-seeded into the application-specific dish, multi-well plate, or slide required for the assay.

### 6 Label cells

Cells are treated and/or labeled to measure assay parameters such as amount or location of protein of interest or overall cell viability. Like any other chemical reaction, labeling is subject to conditions such as pH, concentration of reactants, incubation time and temperature, purity of reagents, and presence of interfering substances.

### 7 Analyze cell data

Finally, the cell assay is performed using instruments such as microplate readers, microscopes, automated cell screening and/or automated imaging systems. Data is acquired and analyzed using integrated software.

## 1 Cell seeding solutions



### Hach

Electrochemistry meters and probes for accurate pH and DO measurement

Monitor cell growth by optical density using the 2100Q Portable Turbidimeter



### Pall Corporation

Sterile filtration devices for cell culture (50  $\mu$ L–150 L): spin filters, syringe filters, filter plates, vacuum devices and capsules



### VWR/Avantor™

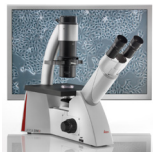
Incubating and cooling orbital shaker and high capacity incubating refrigerated shaker, Seradigm premium grade fetal bovine serum (FBS), water jacketed CO<sub>2</sub> Incubators, digital general-purpose water baths

## 2 Check morphology, confluence, cell counts and viability



### Beckman Coulter

Vi-CELL XR Reagent Packs and Vi-CELL counter machine



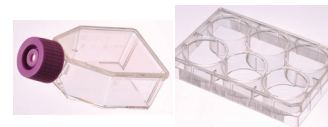
### Leica Microsystems

Microscopes for brightfield and fluorescence quick checks (e.g. morphology, confluence, presence of GFP)



### Molecular Devices

Automated imagers increase analysis power and imaging capabilities



### VWR/Avantor

Cell culture flasks, culture plates

## 3 Isolate and concentrate cells



### Beckman Coulter

Centrifugation for cell separation and concentration



### Leica Microsystems

Laser microdissection for precise single cell and single molecule isolation from complex, intact tissue



### Pall Corporation

Filtration: Clarification from small to large scale: desalting, buffer exchange, cell debris removal, DNA/RNA isolation, and more.



### VWR/Avantor

Cell scrapers, high-performance centrifuge tubes with flat or plug caps, polypropylene

## 4 Suspend cells



### VWR/Avantor

Disposable serological pipets and square PETG media bottles



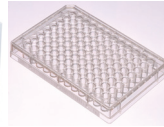
Biomek

## 5 Seed cells in a dish, well plate or slide



### Beckman Coulter

Biomek 4000 for automated, low to medium throughput cell culture and sample preparation



### VWR/Avantor

Universal pipet tips, multi-well cell culture plates, microscope slides



## 6 Label cells

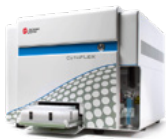


### VWR/Avantor

Cryogenic vials, internally or externally threaded



## 7 Perform cell assay and software analysis



### Beckman Coulter

Flow cytometers:  
CytoFLEX Flow Cytometer



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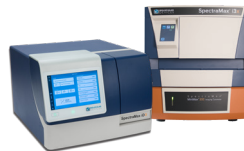
### Leica Microsystems

Patented "Computational Clearing" for instant blur removal, high resolution and sensitivity for confocal comparable images in thick, 3D specimens



### Molecular Devices

Automated colony picking: ClonePix™ Mammalian Colony Picking System



### Molecular Devices

Microplate readers: Multi-mode detection for absorbance, fluorescence, luminescence (TRF, fluorescence polarization, and Western blot) with the SpectraMax® iD3/iD5/i3x Multi-Mode Microplate Readers



### Molecular Devices

Automated widefield and confocal 3D imaging systems: ImageXpress® Imaging systems

## Ordering information

<b>Step 1 – Seed cells</b>		<b>VWR Cat. #</b>
Hach	2100Q Portable Turbidimeter	97049-281
Hach	HQ440D Benchtop HQd Meter	89174-012
Pall Laboratory	AcroPak™ 500 Filtration Capsules	28146-177
Pall Laboratory	Acrodisc® 25 mm Syringe Filters	28143-310
Pall Laboratory	VacuCap™ 90 PF Bottle-Top Filters	28139-706
Pall Laboratory	AcroPak™ 1500 Filtration Capsules	28146-196
VWR/Avantor	Avantor Seradigm Premium Grade Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS)	89510-194
VWR/Avantor	VWR® Water Jacketed CO <sub>2</sub> Incubators	10810-744
VWR/Avantor	VWR Signature™ Incubating and Cooling Orbital Shaker	12620-934
VWR/Avantor	VWR® Digital General-Purpose Water Baths	76308-830
<b>Step 2 – Check morphology, confluence, cell counts and viability</b>		
Beckman Coulter	Vi-CELL XR Quad Reagent Pack	76176-664
Leica Microsystems	DMI1 Inverted Microscope	10752-270
Leica Microsystems	DM IL LED inverted microscope	76382-982
Molecular Devices	ImageXpress® Pico Automated Cell Imaging System	76230-062
Molecular Devices	ImageXpress Micro Confocal High-Content Imaging System	76177-140
VWR/Avantor	VWR® Cell Culture Flasks	10062-862
VWR/Avantor	VWR® Multiwell Cell Culture Plates	75999-254
<b>Step 3 – Isolate and concentrate cells</b>		
Beckman Coulter	Avanti™ J-15 Series Benchtop Centrifuge	76102-920
Beckman Coulter	Biomek® 4000 Automated Workstation	10809-032
Leica Microsystems	Laser Microdissection (LMD) System	76414-892
Leica Microsystems	PEN Membrane coated glass slides	76414-898
Pall Laboratory	Nanosep® Centrifugal Device – 3K	29301-782
Pall Laboratory	Nanosep® Centrifugal Device – 10K	29300-620
Pall Laboratory	Nanosep® Centrifugal Device – 30K	29300-622
Pall Laboratory	Nanosep® Centrifugal Device – 100K	29300-624
Pall Laboratory	Nanosep® Centrifugal Device – 300K	29300-626
VWR/Avantor	VWR® Cell Scrapers	10062-904
VWR/Avantor	VWR® High-Performance Centrifuge Tubes with Flat or Plug Caps, Polypropylene	89039-658

#### Step 4 – Suspend cells

VWR/Avantor	VWR® Disposable Serological Pipets, Polystyrene, Sterile, Plugged	76093-884
VWR/Avantor	VWR® Square PETG Media Bottles	89132-066

#### Step 5 – Seed cells

Beckman Coulter	Biomek 4000 Automated Workstation	10809-032
VWR/Avantor	VWR® Universal Pipet Tips	76327-214
VWR/Avantor	VWR® Plain and Frosted Micro Slides, Premium	48300-026

#### Step 6 – Label cells

VWR/Avantor	VWR® Cryogenic Vials, Internally or Externally Threaded	10018-738
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#### Step 7 – Perform cell assay and software analysis

Beckman Coulter	CytoFLEX Flow Cytometer	76330-530
Leica Microsystems	THUNDER Imager Model Organism Packages	76414-902
Leica Microsystems	THUNDER Imager Assay	76414-904
Leica Microsystems	THUNDER Imager Tissue	76414-906
Molecular Devices	ClonePix™ 2 Mammalian Colony Picker	76404-534
Molecular Devices	SpectraMax® iD3 Multi-Mode Microplate Reader	75886-128
Molecular Devices	SpectraMax iD5 Multi-Mode Microplate Reader	76175-288
Molecular Devices	SpectraMax i3x Multi-Mode Microplate Reader	10014-924
Molecular Devices	ImageXpress® Micro Confocal	76177-140

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