

# Gxpress CHO Transfection & Medium Kit

for CHO Cells “Gene Expression System”

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## Description

Gxpress CHO Transfection & Medium Kit has been developed for the gene expression system of Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells, such as CHO-K1 or CHO-S cells, and the high production of recombinant proteins or the transfection assay in serum-free culture. All contents of Gxpress CHO Transfection & Medium Kit are a chemically defined composition that no contains serum, protein, animal origin, hydrolysates, and no unknown composition.

(Storage; 2°C to 8°C / Protect from light)

## Package Contents (Catalog Number GXCHO-MAK-0010)

- Gxpress CHO Transfection Kit\* (Catalog Number GXCHO-RK-0010)
  - \*Gxpress CHO TF Reagent 2.4 mL (1.2 mL x 2)
  - \*CHO Complexing Solution 80 mL (40 mL x 2)
  - \*Gxpress CHO Enhancer 120 mL
- CH400AZ medium (1,000 mL) (Catalog Number CH400AZ-0010)

## Important Points

- Subculture CHO cells a minimum of three times to allow them to recover from thawing before use.
- Plasmid DNA must be clean.
- Gently mix Transfection Reagent and DNA into CHO Complexing Solution.
- Use CHO Complexing Solution in transfection assay.

## Culture Conditions

Cell line: CHO cells

Culture type: Suspension

Culture vessels: Flask or culture bag, etc.

Incubate atmosphere: Humidified atmosphere of 5–8% CO<sub>2</sub> in air

Temperature range: 36°C to 38°C

Shaker culture: 120–130 rpm

## Required Materials

- Plasmid DNA
- Erlenmeyer shaker flask, vent-cap
- CHO-S or CHO-K1 cells
- CO<sub>2</sub> Incubator and Shaker

## **Gxpress CHO TF Reagent**

Gxpress CHO TF Reagent is a cationic lipid-based reagent for transferring DNA into mammalian cells. Gently mix Reagent by pipetting it up and down before use. Use CHO Complexing Solution in transfection assay. Gently mix Reagent and DNA into CHO Complexing Solution.

## **CH400AZ medium**

CH400AZ medium has been developed for the growth of CHO cells and the high production of recombinant proteins or the transfection assay in serum-free culture. Medium contains L-alanyl-L-glutamine and does not require supplementation with L-glutamine or L-alanyl-L-glutamine. Medium contains no hypoxanthine, thymidine, and antibiotics. Please supply to the medium as necessary.

## **< Transfection Kit Method >**

### **Thaw CHO cells and Subculture method**

For Shaker Culture (125-mL Shaker Flasks)

- 1 Thaw CHO cells in a water bath and transfer into a 15-mL tube containing 10 mL of CH400AZ medium.
- 2 Resuspend with 10 mL of CH400AZ medium, count cells and determine cell viability.
- 3 Transfer cells at a seeding density of  $2 \times 10^5$  cells/mL into a 125-mL shaker flask containing 30 mL of CH400AZ medium and incubate at 37°C in shaker culture (125 rpm).
- 4 On the second day culture, harvest cells with a 50-mL tube, and determine the viable cell density.
- 5 Transfer cells at a seeding density of  $2 \times 10^5$  cells/mL into a 125-mL shaker flask containing 30 mL of CH400AZ medium and incubate at 37°C.
- 6 On the fourth day culture, harvest cells with a 50-mL tube, and determine the viable cell density.
- 7 Subculture cells at a seeding density of  $2 \times 10^5$  cells/mL every 4 days with fresh CH400AZ medium.
- 8 For your experiments before using, subculture CHO cells a minimum of three times to allow them to recover from cryopreservation. The interval of subculture is performed at 3 days interval when glutamine is selected, and at 4 days interval when selecting alanyl-glutamine.

### **Set-up CHO cells into flasks**

For Shaker Culture (125-mL Shaker Flasks)

- 1 Transfer cells at a seeding density of  $1-2 \times 10^6$  cells/mL into a 125-mL shaker flask containing 30 mL of CH400AZ medium and incubate at 37°C in shaker culture (125 rpm).
- 2 On the first day culture, harvest cells with a 50-mL tube, and determine the viable cell density.
- 3 Resuspend cells in log-phase growth (>95% viability) with CH400AZ medium.
- 4 Transfer cells at a seeding density of  $2 \times 10^6$  cells/mL into a 125-mL shaker flask containing 25 mL of CH400AZ medium and incubate at 37°C.

## Transfection assay

For Shaker Culture (125-mL Shaker Flasks)

- 1 Dilute 30 µg of plasmid DNA in 1.2 mL of CHO Complexing Solution. Mix gently by inversion one time.
- 2 Dilute 72 µL of Gxpress CHO TF Reagent in 1.2 mL of CHO Complexing Solution. Mix gently by inversion one time. Incubate for 5 min at room temperature.
- 3 After 5 min incubation, add diluted Gxpress CHO TF Reagent to diluted DNA. Mix gently by inversion one time. Incubate for 5 min at room temperature. **Note; Do not mix vigorously. Excessive mixing may result in decrease expression.**
- 4 After 5 min incubation, transfer gently the DNA/Reagent complexes to CHO cells into 125-mL flask. **Note; Longer incubation times may result in decrease expression.**
- 5 Incubate cells at 37°C in shaker culture (125 rpm).
- 6 After 18-24 h incubation, add 3 mL of Gxpress CHO Enhancer to CHO cells and incubate at 37°C.
- 7 Harvest cells or media to evaluate recombinant protein expression. Culture time for optimal protein expression depends on the nature of recombinant protein.

## Scaling up transfection assay

Culture	Size	12-well plate	125-mL flask	1-L flask	2-L flask	3-L flask
	Volume	1 mL	25 mL	200 mL	400 mL	800 mL
	Cell Number	$2 \times 10^6$	$5 \times 10^7$	$4 \times 10^8$	$8 \times 10^8$	$1.6 \times 10^9$
	Cell Density	$2.0 \times 10^6$ cells/mL				
	Shaker Speed	$125 \pm 5$ rpm				$90 \pm 5$ rpm
DNA	DNA Conc.	1 µg	30 µg	240 µg	480 µg	960 µg
	CHO Complexing Solution	40 µL	1.2 mL	9.6 mL	19.2 mL	38.4 mL
Reagent	Gxpress CHO TF Reagent	2.4 µL	72 µL	576 µL	1,152 µL	2,304 µL
	CHO Complexing Solution	40 µL	1.2 mL	9.6 mL	19.2 mL	38.4 mL
Enhancer	Gxpress CHO Enhancer	100 µL	3 mL	24 mL	48 mL	96 mL

\*Shaker speed should be determined empirically based on the specific laboratory used.

\*Volume of CHO Complexing Solution used to dilute plasmid DNA and Gxpress CHO TF Reagent.

## Optimization for transfection assay

Transfection condition for CHO cells can optimize by varying the amount of Gxpress CHO TF Reagent used with 30 µg plasmid DNA.

- CH400AZ medium volume: 25 mL
- Plasmid DNA amounts: 30 µg
- Total cell numbers: 3–9 x 10<sup>7</sup> cells (1–3 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells/mL, > 95% viability)
- Gxpress CHO TF Reagent amounts: 50–90 µL (e.g., 54, 63, 72, 81, 90 µL)
- CHO Complexing Solution volume: each 1.2 mL x 2 (total 2.4 mL)
- Gxpress CHO Enhancer: 3 mL

## Cryopreservation

- 1 Prepare the cryopreservation medium of 90% CH400AZ medium and 10% DMSO.
- 2 Harvest cells and resuspend at a cell density of 5–10 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells/mL with the fresh cryopreservation medium.
- 3 Transfer CHO cells into cryovials.
- 4 Achieve cryopreservation following standard procedures, do not directly put into liquid nitrogen.
- 5 Transfer frozen cells to liquid nitrogen.

## Other information

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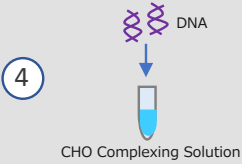
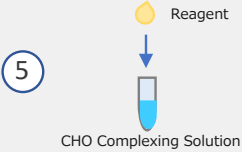






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Gxpress CHO TF Reagent	GXCHO-TF-0010
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< Chemically Defined Medium >

CH100 medium	CH100-0010	Adhesive culture
CH150 medium	CH150-0005	Cloning assay
CH200 medium	CH200-0010	Suspension culture
CH300 medium	CH300-0010	Suspension culture
CH400 medium	CH400-0010	Suspension culture
CH400AZ medium*	CH400AZ-0010	Suspension culture
Gxpress CHO Feed medium	GXCHO-FD-0010	Fed-Batch culture
Scattering reagent CHO	SRCHO-005	Anti-clumping reagent

\* Ready-to-use medium with L-alanyl-L-glutamine

## Gxpress CHO TF Reagent Transfection Protocol (30 mL Scale)

	Schedule	Steps	Procedures
Day -1 (Preculture)	① 	Seeding of CHO cells	Transfer $6 \times 10^7$ viable cells into 125-mL flask containing 30 mL of CH400AZ medium. (a seeding density of $2 \times 10^6$ cells/mL)
	② 	Shaker culture	Temperature : 37°C, Shaker speed : 125 rpm, Atmosphere : 5–8% CO <sub>2</sub> in air.
Day 0 (Transfection)	③ 	Preparation of cells	Determine viable cell density. The density should be $4-6 \times 10^6$ cells/mL (> 95% viability). Add $5 \times 10^7$ cells into 125-mL flask containing 25 mL of CH400AZ medium. (a seeding density of $2 \times 10^6$ cells/mL)
	④  DNA CHO Complexing Solution	Prepare DNA mixtures	Dilute 30 µg of plasmid DNA in 1.2 mL of CHO Complexing Solution. Mix gently by inversion one time.
	⑤  Reagent CHO Complexing Solution	Prepare Gxpress CHO TF Reagent mixtures	Dilute 72 µL of Gxpress CHO TF Reagent in 1.2 mL of CHO Complexing Solution. Mix gently by inversion one time. Incubate for 5 min at room temperature.
	⑥  Reagent    DNA    Complexes	Prepare DNA/Reagent complexes	After 5 min incubation, add diluted Gxpress CHO TF Reagent to diluted DNA . <b>Mix gently by inversion one time.</b> Incubate for 5 min at room temperature. Note; Do not mix vigorously.
	⑦  Complexes	Add DNA/Reagent to CHO cells	After 5 min incubation, transfer gently the complexes to CHO cells. Note; Longer incubation times may result in decrease expression.
	⑧ 	Shaker culture	Temperature : 37°C, Shaker speed : 125 rpm, Atmosphere : 5–8% CO <sub>2</sub> in air.
	Day 1 (Enhancer)	⑨  Enhancer	Add Gxpress CHO Enhancer to CHO cells
⑩ 		Shaker culture	Temperature : 37°C, Shaker speed : 125 rpm, Atmosphere : 5–8% CO <sub>2</sub> in air.
Day 2 – 7 (Expression)	⑪ 	Harvest cells or media	Evaluate recombinant protein expression. Culture time for optimal protein expression depends on the nature of recombinant protein.