# Corning<sup>®</sup> rLaminin-521 (Human)

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**Guidelines for Use** 

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### **Coating Procedure**

- 1. All procedures should be done under sterile conditions using aseptic techniques.
- **2.** Thaw rLaminin-521 at 4<sup>o</sup>C before use.
- **3.** Dilute the thawed rLaminin-521 using 1x DPBS (with Ca/Mg) to a final concentration of 10 μg/ml Laminin Coating Solution (LCS).

The optimal coating concentration is cell-dependent and can be optimized empirically. A concentration of 10  $\mu$ g/ml supported all human pluripotent stem cell lines (hPSC) tested.

4. Apply LCS to a tissue culture-treated vessel following recommendations from Table 1.

#### Table 1. Recommended coating volumes

Vessel	Laminin Coating Solution (LCS)
6 well plate	1 ml/well
12 well plate	0.4 ml/well
24 well plate	0.2 ml/well
T-75 flask	8 ml
T-175 flask	18 ml

5. Seal the plates with parafilm and store at 4<sup>o</sup>C overnight.

Proper sealing is required to prevent evaporation and contamination. Prevent drying-out during the storage. The rLaminin-521 matrix will be inactivated if let dry. Coated plates can be kept in LCS at  $4^{\circ}$ C for up to 3 weeks if not used directly.

- 6. Aspirate the LCS using a pipette without disturbing the coated surface.
- **7.** Add culture medium to the coated vessels and keep in a humidified incubator at  $37^{\circ}C$ , 5% CO<sub>2</sub> during passaging procedure until cells are ready to be seeded.

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## Single-cell passage of hPSC on rLaminin-521

- 1. When using rLaminin-521, treatment with apoptosis inhibitors such as Rho-kinase (ROCK) or blebbistatin is NOT needed.
- 2. All procedures should be done under sterile conditions using aseptic techniques.
- **3.** Before start, all solutions (e.g., culture medium, 1x DPBS) should be pre-warmed at 37<sup>o</sup>C.

Cells are ready to be passaged when  $\ge$  80% confluent or by day 8 whichever is earlier. Aspirate old medium from wells and wash the cells gently once with 1x DPBS (without Ca/Mg).

Split time may vary for different hPSC lines.

- 4. Add enzyme of choice (i.e., TrypLE<sup>™</sup>) or 1 mM EDTA diluted in 1x DPBS (without Ca/Mg) and incubate in a humidified incubator at 37<sup>0</sup>C, 5% CO<sub>2</sub> for 3-5 minutes (6-8 minutes with EDTA) to detach cells from the surface. Dissociation time may vary for different hPSC lines.
- **5.** Add same volume of enzyme inhibitor or fresh medium and pipette up and down 6 -10 times (as appropriate) to achieve single-cell suspension.
- **6.** Collect the cell suspension in a conical tube containing 1 ml of fresh medium, centrifuge at 800 rpm for 4 minutes. Carefully discard the supernatant.
- 7. Re-suspend the cell pellet in 1 ml of fresh medium.
- **8.** Count cell number and seed cells at a density of 50,000 cells/cm<sup>2</sup> on rLaminin-521 coated vessels. *Optimization of seeding density may be required depending on the culture medium and hPSC line.*
- **9.** Swing the vessel side-to-side to distribute cells evenly, and then place in a humidified incubator at 37<sup>o</sup>C, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>.
- **10.** Feed cells daily until next passaging. Add only a few drops of fresh medium after 24 hours and perform a complete medium change 48 hours after passaging.

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## From feeders to rLaminin- 521 (single-cell passage)

1. Separate hPSC colonies from feeders and cut into small pieces.

2. Aspirate the free-floating cell aggregates carefully with a pipette.

**3.** Collect in a conical tube, add enzyme, and incubate in a humidified incubator at  $37^{\circ}C$ , 5% CO<sub>2</sub> a bit longer than usual (e.g., trypsin 4-7 minutes).

**4.** Pipette cell-aggregates up and down to achieve a homogenous cell suspension, centrifuge for 4 minutes at 800 rpm, and discard the supernatant. Re-suspend the cell pellet in fresh culture medium.

5. Seed cells at a density of 50,000 cells/cm<sup>2</sup> on rLaminin-521 coated vessels.

This transfer can also be performed using colony passage for the first transition followed by singe-cell passage.

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