

Transfection protocol for HPC7 using lipofectamine 2000- 96 well plate

Materials:

Lipofectamine 2000, plasmids after we diluted it, OptiMeM medium, growth medium without antibiotics.

1. Just prior to preparing complexes, plate $8-16 \times 10^6$ cells in 100 μl of growth medium without antibiotics.
2. For each transfection sample, prepare complexes as follows:
 - *the ratio between DNA (μg) to Lipofectamine (μl) which was chosen is 1:3.
 - a. Dilute 200ng DNA in 25 μl of Opti-MEM® I Reduced Serum Medium without serum (or other medium without serum). Mix gently.
 - b. Mix Lipofectamine® 2000 gently before use, then dilute the appropriate amount (0.6 μl) in 25 μl of Opti-MEM® I Medium. Incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature. Note: Proceed to Step c within 25 minutes.
 - c. After the 5 minute incubation, combine the diluted DNA with diluted Lipofectamine® 2000 (total volume = 50 μl). Mix gently and incubate for 20 minutes at room temperature (solution may appear

cloudy). Note: Complexes are stable for 6 hours at room temperature.

- 3. Add the 50 μ l of complexes to each well containing cells and medium. Mix gently by rocking the plate back and forth.**
- 4. Incubate cells at 37°C in a CO₂ incubator for 18-48 hours prior to testing for transgene expression. Medium may be changed after 4-6 hours.**
- 5. For stable cell lines: Passage cells at a 1:10 (or higher dilution) into fresh growth medium 24 hours after transfection. Add selective medium (if desired) the following day.**