

## CDM-HD USAGE INSTRUCTIONS



CDM-HD (chemically defined medium for high density cell culture) is a chemically defined, protein free, animal component free cell culture supplement that is designed to replace fetal bovine serum in standard basal cell culture mediums such as DMEM. CDM-HD is designed specifically for high-density cell culture and should be used in the FiberCell Systems hollow fiber system for best results. Cells cultured in a hollow fiber bioreactor are typically 100X the density of cells grown in flasks or other conventional cell culture devices. Cells grown at these densities are able to auto-support their growth with secreted conditioning factors and can be grown efficiently with a simplified serum replacement like CDM-HD.

It is important to know both what CDM-HD contains and what it does not contain.

### CDM-HD CONTAINS:

- A complex formulation of vitamins, micronutrients, amino acids and other basic chemicals
- A significant amount of free iron
- The equivalent of 10mM HEPES per liter when added at 10% to medium
- The equivalent of 700mg of glucose per liter when added at 10% to medium

### CDM-HD DOES NOT CONTAIN:

- Protein of any sort. Therefore there are neither attachment factors nor iron transport proteins.
- Surfactants like pluronic F-68
- Animal or plant hydrolysates or anything else of an undefined nature.

For use in the FiberCell Systems hollow fiber bioreactor system it is recommended that the cells be inoculated into the cartridge in the presence of at least 5% serum in the cell inoculum. Once the cells have reached high density in the cartridge, as defined by a glucose uptake rate of 1 gram per day, simply switch out the medium in the reservoir and ECS for medium containing 10% CDM-HD. You may observe a slight lag in growth of the cells for a day or two but no sequential adaptation is required.

## PREPARATION OF CDM-HD FOR USE

1. Fill a mixing vessel with distilled or WFI quality water, to 90% of the desired total volume of media. For example, for one liter of CDM-HD, fill the vessel to 900 mL.
2. Add CDM-HD to the water while gently stirring. Rinse the inside of the package with some of the remaining 10% water to remove any remaining powder.
3. Finish adding remaining water to bring to a volume of 1 liter and mix until completely dissolved. This should take 15-30 minutes at room temperature.
4. CDM-HD should be pH adjusted to 6.8 if necessary, using 1N NaOH or 1N HCL.
5. Filter into a sterile container by membrane filtration, using a 0.2 micron filter.
6. Store at 4-6 C.
7. CDM-HD is provided at 33.36 grams to make one liter.

## PROTEIN PURIFICATION USING CDM-HD

Since CDM-HD is protein free you may be able to simplify your purification protocols. This should be based upon your own direct experience along with an analysis of the harvests from your particular cell line. When purifying monoclonal antibodies from cell culture supernatants using Protein A, you should be aware that there is a higher than normal amount of free iron present to compensate for the lack of transferrin (a protein) in the medium. This amount of iron can sometimes cause precipitation if the harvested supernatant is placed directly into a phosphate buffer system such as might be used for protein affinity purification. There are some alternative binding buffers that do not contain phosphate that can be used with Protein A. FiberCell Systems has been provided some specific information by Bio-Rad Laboratories on an appropriate binding buffer and Protein A kit that is compatible with CDM-HD. Products from other companies may also be used.

One option would be to add Bio-Rad's MAPS binding buffer to enhance binding of the antibody to the Protein A gel. This buffer is optimized for mouse iG2A, but works well with most other antibodies (except rat).

### Buffer formulations:

- Binding Buffer: 3.2 M NaCl in 1.6M glycine, pH9
- Elution Buffers: 100 mM Na citrate, pH3
- Regeneration Buffer: 50% methanol/water

The MAPS binding buffer is used by either adding the dry salts to a dilute sample, or it can be dissolved in water and then add two parts buffer to one part sample.



### Catalog numbers for the binding buffer:

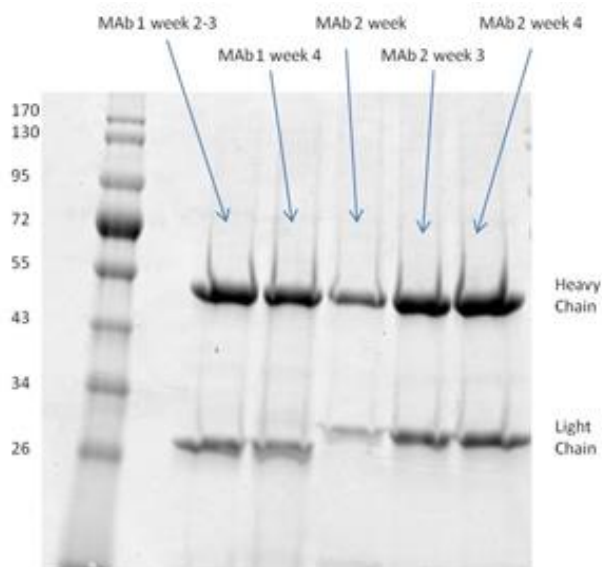
- 153-6161, buffer salts to make 5 liters
- 153-6159 Affi-Gel Protein A MAPS II kit, which includes 5 mL Protein A, an empty column, and buffers to purify 500 mg of antibody

Bio-Rad also offers two other Protein A supports, which are pressure stable and can be run on a chromatography system.

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Above right: *Unpurified supernatant from harvest using CDM-HD. Data courtesy of: Dr. Erin Bromage c/o the US Veterinary Immune Reagents Network*

## NOTES

- Do not heat CDM-HD to speed dissolution.
- pH should be adjusted to no higher than 6.8 for best storage. CDM-HD is stable as a liquid at 4 degrees for at least 6 weeks.
- Do not freeze CDM-HD once it has been reconstituted.
- CDM-HD powder should be stored at 4 degrees C and has a shelf life of three years from the date of manufacture.
- Add CDM-HD to classical media such as DMEM High glucose at a final concentration of 10%.
- Store at 4-6 C.