

ExpressCells

Better knock-ins, better cell lines, better science.

Supporting Research Cellular Biology (including SARS-CoV-2)



Who We Are

- Genetic engineering company that creates knockin cell lines for researchers
- Two product options:
 - <u>Catalog</u>: pre-made cell lines that tag specific proteins or support a specific assay
 - <u>Custom</u>: we can knock-in up to three genes in an immortalized mammalian cell line
- Building cell lines that
 - Tag proteins with fluorescent/bioluminescent proteins
 - Overexpress proteins, including those involved in SARS-CoV-2 infection



Our Technology: The FAST-HDR Plasmid Vector System





The FAST-HDR Plasmid Vector system, in combination with CRISPR/Cas9, is at the heart of ExpressCells' capabilities, allowing us to deliver custom, knock-in cell lines in 25% the time required with current technologies. We can deliver a cell culture with single knock-in in as few as 30 days and with three in as few as three months.

Figures A – D illustrate construction of the FAST-HDR plasmid vector for C-terminal labeling. In Figure A, a backbone vector is first digested with restriction enzymes excising two *ccdB* cassettes. In Figure B, synthetic recombination arms are mixed and cloned with the digested backbone vector. Figure C depicts the HDR vector product. Figure D illustrates different combinations of reporter tag and antibiotic resistance genes incorporated in backbone vectors.

Cell Catalog



Currently Available Catalog Tagged Human Cell Lines

| | Cell Line | Gene or Protein/Tag #1 | Gene or Protein/Tag #2 | Gene or Protein/Tag #3 | Description |
|-------------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| EXP -001 | HeLa | Ezrin/mRuby3 | | | Tagged Plasma Membrane |
| EXP -003 | HeLa | TOM20/mRuby3 | | | Tagged Mitochondria |
| EXP -004 | HeLa | B-Tubulin/ mClover3 | | | Tagged Cytoskeleton |
| EXP -005 | HEK293T | Histone 3.3/ mRuby3 | | | Tagged Nucleus |
| EXP -006 | HEK293T | B-Tubulin/ mClover3 | | | Tagged Cytoskeleton |
| EXP -007 | HEK293T | PARP1/mClover3 | | | Tagged Nucleus |
| EXP -008 | HeLa | Histone 1/mTagBFP2 | TUBB/mClover3 | SQSTM1/mRuby3 | Autophagy model |
| EXP -009 | HEK293T | B- Tubulin/mClover3 | Histone 3.3/mRuby3 | ATP5B/mTagBF2 | Toxicity Model |

- Products in stock
- 3-14 day delivery
- Orders accepted at info@xpresscells.com and https://xpresscells.co m/cell-catalog/

Catalog Human Cell Lines that Overexpress Key Proteins

- SARS-CoV-2 Spike Protein
- SARS-CoV-2 Nucleocapsid Protein
- TMPRSS2
- ACE2
- BSG (CD147)
- SARS-CoV Nucleocapsid Protein
- SARS-CoV Spike Protein
- MERS-CoV Nucleocapsid Protein
- MERS-CoV Spike Protein

- Target delivery of first product lines: June
- To be available as polyclonal or monoclonal lines (polyclonal to be available earlier)
- Accepting orders now

Custom Cell Lines

Inserting Genes for Tagging or Overexpression



(1) Speed—Pure, Knock-in Custom Cell Lines up to 75% Faster; (2) Better Models—Up to 3 Knock-ins in the Same Cell Line

FAST-HDR



Conventional methods

Create donor vector: 21 d Isolate pure, modified cells: 4 – 8 weeks



Workflow efficiencies enable the creation and expansion of custom cell lines containing three reporter knock-ins in same time other companies insert one gene

Endogenous, Single Gene Labeling

Tagging With mRuby3, Selected With Zeocin[™], Day 14 Following Transfection



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This image shows HEK293T cells in which endogenous Histone 3.3 has been tagged with mRuby3 and selected with Zeocin[™]. Image captured 14 days following transfection.

Double Gene Labeling

Tagging With mRuby3 + mClover, Selection With Zeocin[™] + Puromycin



This image shows HEK293T cells in which endogenous Histone 3.3 has been tagged first with mRuby3 and subsequently β -tubulin has been tagged with mClover3. Cells were selected with a mix of Zeocin[™] and puromycin. Image captured Day 14 following transfection.

Triple Gene Labeling ATP5B Tagging With mTagBFP2, β-Tubulin With mClover3, Histone 3.3 With mRuby3





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Endogenous ATP5B has been tagged with mTagBFP2, Histone 3.3 with mRuby3, and βtubulin with mClover3. Cells selected with a mix of ZeocinTM, puromycin, and blasticidin.

Benefit for the Researcher: Better Cell Models for Drug Discovery







Mitochondria Red: H3.3-mRuby3 Green: β-Tubulin **Spindle poles** Red: H3.3-mRuby3 Green: β-Tubulin

Nucleus Red: H3.3-mRuby3 Green: β-Tubulin

Examples of live-cell microscopy without the use of staining or immuno-fluorescence. On the left, triplelabeling in which mitochondria (ATP5B) fluoresce in blue, Histone 3.3 in red, and β-tubulin in green. In the center, spindle poles during mitosis fluoresce in blue. On the right, dual staining of the nucleus. PARP1 is tagged in blue, Histone 3.3 in red.

Benefit for the Researcher: Triple-Labeling With FAST-HDR Obviates the Need for Immunofluorescence and Staining



Track or study up to three different targets in live cells without laborintensive staining or immunofluorescence.

Uses of ExpressCells Cell Lines

- Longitudinal screening
 - Compound library screening for better target- or phenotypebased hit identification
 - Cell-based toxicology assays: shrink time for ruling out drug candidates due to toxicity
 - Identify inhibitors of intra-cellular signaling pathways without complicated assays

- Discriminating among protein sequence variants
- Defining protein membrane interactions
 - Reduces misleading results due to fixation and staining
- Rapid homozygous tagging of target genes





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Ready to Deliver Knock-In Cell Lines

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