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1. PURPOSE

1.1. The purpose of this procedure is to describe how to transfect Human Papillomavirus (HPV) plasmid DNA coding for empty capsid into HEK293TT (293TT) cells to produce virus-like particles (VLPs).

2. SCOPE

- 2.1. This procedure applies to the HPV Serology Laboratory.
- 2.2. This procedure includes the transfection of plasmid DNA into the 293TT cell line, VLP production, maturation, and purification of VLPs via a density-based gradient.

3. REFERENCES

- 3.1. 26000: Biosafety Cabinet (BSC) Use and Maintenance
- 3.2. 26001: Operation, Use and Maintenance of C02 Incubators
- 3.3. 26033: Use and Maintenance of the Thermo Scientific Sorvall XTR Centrifuge
- 3.4. 26004: Use and Maintenance of the Cellometer Auto 2000
- 3.5. 26005: Use and Maintenance of a 2-8°C Refrigerator
- 3.6. 26030: Use and Maintenance of -80°C Freezers
- 3.7. 26007: Use and Maintenance of the Fisher Scientific Isotemp GDP10 Water Bath
- 3.8. 26009: Use and Maintenance of Pipettes
- 3.9. 26012: Use and Maintenance of an Analytical & Precision Balance
- 3.10. 26013: Use and Maintenance of -20°C Freezers
- 3.11. 26015: Use and Maintenance of an Inverted Microscope
- 3.12. 26016: Operation, Use and Maintenance of the Water Purification Systems
- 3.13. 26017: Use and Maintenance of the Eppendorf Centrifuge
- 3.14. 26018: Use and Maintenance of NanoDrop Spectrophotometers
- 3.15. 26021: Use and Maintenance of the Optima XPN Ultracentrifuge System

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- 3.16. 15000: Waste Disposal at the Advanced Technology Research Facility
- 3.17. 15006: Reagent Preparation for the HPV Serology Laboratory
- 3.18. 20001: 293TT Cell Culturing and Maintenance
- 3.19. 30009: BCA Protein Assay
- 3.20. 30010: Acrylamide Protein Gel Analysis of HPV Virus-Like Particles
- 3.21. 30011: Protein Analysis of Virus-Like Particles (VLPs) Using the Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer
- 3.22. 10010: Lot Number and Test Run Number Assignment
- 3.23. 10009: General Record Review

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

- 4.1. The Research Associate, hereafter referred to as Analyst, is responsible for reviewing and following this procedure and documenting assay information.
- 4.2. The Scientific Manager or designee is responsible for training personnel in this procedure and reviewing associated documentation.
- 4.3. The Quality Assurance Specialist is responsible for quality oversight and approval of this procedure.
- 4.4. Trained personnel perform assay record review per "10009: General Record Review."

5. **DEFINITIONS**

Term	Definition
293TT	HEK 293TT cells
A/A	Antibiotic/Antimycotic
DMEM	Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium with High Glucose
DMEM SF	Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium with High Glucose Serum Free Media
DMEM TF	Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium with High Glucose Transfection Media
PsV	Pseudovirions
RT	Room Temperature
Type II Water	Pure/Analytical Grade, used for standard applications (Resistivity >1 MΩ-cm and TOC ≤ 50 ppb)
VLP	Virus Like Particle

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6. REAGENTS, MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

6.1.	Reagents	
	6.1.1.	1M Ammonium Sulfate (15006: Section 30)
	6.1.2.	Benzonase (Sigma, Cat # E1014-25KU)
	6.1.3.	Bleach, Concentrated (FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 68100251 or equivalent)
	6.1.4.	10% Brij58 (15006: Section 23)
	6.1.5.	Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium (DMEM) with: High Glucose (Gibco, Cat # 11965-112 or equivalent)
	6.1.6.	1X Dulbecco's Phosphate-Buffered Saline (DPBS), Sterile (Life Technologies, Cat # 14190-136 or equivalent)
	6.1.7.	DPBS_0.8M (15006: Section 24)
	6.1.8.	DPBS-MgCl ₂ 10mM A/A (DPBS_MgCl_AA) (15006: Section 22)
	6.1.9.	Expression Plasmid Coding HPV Capsid Sequences
	6.1.10.	Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS), Heat-Inactivated (Hyclone, Cat # SH30070.03HI or equivalent)
	6.1.11.	Glutamax I (Gibco, Cat # 35050-061 or equivalent)
	6.1.12.	HEK 293TT Cells (20001)
	6.1.13.	Lipofectamine 2000 (Life Technologies, Cat# 11668-019)
	6.1.14.	MEM Non-Essential Amino Acids (NEAA) (Gibco, Cat # 11140-050 or equivalent)
	6.1.15.	5M NaCl (KD Medical, Cat # RGF-3270 or equivalent)
	6.1.16.	Opti-MEM (Life Technologies, Cat # 11058-021)
	6.1.17.	27% OptiPrep (15006: Section 26)
	6.1.18.	33% OptiPrep (15006: Section 27)

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	6.1.19.	39% OptiPrep (15006: Section 28)
	6.1.20.	Plasmid-Safe DNase (Epicentre Biotechnologies, Cat # E3101K)
	6.1.21.	Polyethylenimine with 5% Glucose (PEI) (15006: Section 34)
	6.1.22.	Primary Disinfectant (Cavicide, FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 79300360 or equivalent)
	6.1.23.	Secondary Disinfectant (Ster-ahol, VWR, Cat # 14003-358 or equivalent)
	6.1.24.	Transporter 5 (Polysciences, Inc., Cat # 26008-50)
	6.1.25.	Trypsin-EDTA 0.05% (Life Technologies, Cat # 25300-054 or equivalent)
	6.1.26.	Type II Water
6.2.	Equipment	
	6.2.1.	Automated Cell Counter (Nexcelom Cellometer Auto 2000 or equivalent)
	6.2.2.	Cannulas (VWR, Cat # 20068-680 or equivalent)
	6.2.3.	Centrifuges (Microcentrifuge, Bench Top, Ultracentrifuge)
	6.2.4.	Class II Biosafety Cabinet (BSC)
	6.2.5.	CO ₂ Incubator
	6.2.6.	Filtering Flask with plug (Thomas Scientific Cat # 4949J26 or equivalent)
	6.2.7.	Freezers (-20°C, -80°C)
	6.2.8.	Ice Pan (Thomas Scientific, Cat # 1200R42 or equivalent)
	6.2.9.	Inverted Light Microscope (Nikkon TMS, Nikkon LBOPHOT or equivalent)
	6.2.10.	-20°C Labtop Cooler (Thomas Scientific Cat # 5152L78 or equivalent)

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6.2.11.	NanoDrop
6.2.12.	Pipettes
6.2.13.	Precision Balance
6.2.14.	Refrigerator (2-8°C)
6.2.15.	Rotor SW40 Ti, rated for > 200,000 x g
6.2.16.	Rotor SW55 Ti, rated for > 200,000 x g
6.2.17.	Serologic Pipettor
6.2.18.	Stand with clamp
6.2.19.	Timer
6.2.20.	Waste Container with Lid
6.2.21.	Water Bath
6.2.22.	Water Purification System
6.2.23.	Wide screwdriver, Hinge Pin Tool (Beckman Cat # 331313 or equivalent)
6.2.24.	Puncture Resistant Glove
Consumabl	es
6.3.1.	S1 Pipet Filler (Thermo Scientific, Cat # 9511 or equivalent)
6.3.2.	150 mL, 250 mL, 500mL and 1L Bottles, Media Storage (Thomas Scientific, Cat # 8600B13, Cat # 1743D05, Cat # 1743D10, Cat # 1743D15 or equivalent)
6.3.3.	2 L Bottle, Media Storage - Corning Polystyrene Roller Bottle (VWR, Cat # 89184-640 or equivalent)

Box and 81 Positions Insert (FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 81150001

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6.3.5.	250 mL, 500 mL, and 1L Filter Bottle, 0.2 μM PES Membrane - Nalgene (Thomas Scientific, Cat # 1234K60, Cat # 1234K58, Cat # 1234K59 or equivalent)
6.3.6.	T-150 Flask, T-225 Flasks (Thomas Scientific, Cat # 9381J33, Cat # 9381M60 or equivalent)
6.3.7.	5-Layer Flask (VWR, Cat # 89204-478 or equivalent)
6.3.8.	8-Layer Flask, CELLdisk (Greiner Bio-One, Cat # 678108 or equivalent)
6.3.9.	Kimwipes, Lint-Free Lens Wipe (VWR, Cat # 21905-026 or equivalent)
6.3.10.	Parafilm (FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 66401356 or equivalent)
6.3.11.	Pipette Tips
6.3.12.	Disposable Serum Pipette (Greiner Bio-one, Cat # 612361 or equivalent)
6.3.13.	5 mL, 10 mL, 25 mL, and 50 mL Serological Pipets, Sterile (FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 66401365, Cat # 66401370, Cat # 66401361, Cat # 66401363 or equivalent)
6.3.14.	100 mL Serological Pipets, Sterile (Thomas Scientific, Cat # 7536R26 or equivalent)
6.3.15.	Siliconized 200 μL and 1000 μL Pipette Tips (Thomas Scientific, Cat # 7738E15, Cat # 7738E30 or equivalent)
6.3.16.	Siliconized 1.5 mL and 2.0 mLTubes, Flip-Cap (Thomas Scientific, Cat # 1212M66, Cat # 1212M73, or equivalent)
6.3.17.	1 mL Syringe with 25-Gauge Needle and 10 mL Syrninge - BD (FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 66301465, Cat # 66301450, or equivalent)
6.3.18.	Sharps container (FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 66401504 or equivalent)
6.3.19.	50 mL Tubes, Conical Centrifuge (FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 66401493 or equivalent)

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6.3.20.	50 mL and 500 mL Tubes, Conical Centrifuge, Polystyrene (Thomas Scientific, Cat # 1216M90, Cat # 8600A70, or equivalent)
6.3.21.	5 mL Tubes, and 14 mL Thinwall Polypropylene (Ultratubes) (Beckman Coulter, Cat # 326819 and Cat # 331374)
6.3.22.	Vacushield Vent with PTFE (PALL, Cat # 4402 or equivalent)
6.3.23.	Wet Ice
6.3.24.	Wipe, Low-Lint, Wypalls (FNLCR Warehouse, Cat # 79300335 or equivalent)

7. HEALTH AND SAFETY CONSIDERAIONS

- 7.1. Proper safety precautions should be taken while working in a laboratory setting. This includes, but is not limited to, proper protective equipment such as lab coats, safety glasses, closed-toe shoes, and non-latex gloves.
- 7.2. Refer to the respective Safety Data Sheet (SDS) when working with any chemicals.
- 7.3. Refer to "15000: Waste Disposal at the Advanced Technology Research Facility" regarding waste disposal processes at the Advanced Technology Research Facility (ATRF).

8. PROCEDURE PRINCIPLES

- 8.1. Transfection can be performed using one of three reagents. Refer to the respective attachment throughout the procedure.
 - 8.1.1. See Attachment 1 for <u>Lipofectamine</u> <u>2000</u> process-related information.
 - 8.1.2. See Attachment 2 for <u>PEI</u> process-related information.
 - 8.1.3. See Attachment 3 for Transporter 5 process-related information.
- 8.2. Lot numbers are assigned per "10010: Lot Number and Test Run Number Assignment."
- 8.3. All contaminated BSL-2 level liquid waste must be decontaminated using 10% Clorox bleach (final concentration) with a minimum contact time of 30 minutes in waste container before sink disposal. Refer to "15000: Waste Disposal at the Advanced Technology Research Facility."

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- 8.4. Acceleration and Deceleration using centrifuges
 - 8.4.1. When centrifuging conical tubes using the Sorvall XTR centrifuge per "26033: Use and Maintenance of the Thermo Scientific Sorvall XTR Centrifuge", use maximum ramp up/acceleration speed and break speed of 6 or higher.
 - 8.4.2. When centrifuging 1.5 mL tubes using the microcentrifuge per "26017: Use and Maintenance of the Eppendorf Centrifuge", use maximum ramp up/acceleration speed and maximum break speed.
- 8.5. When working with 5 or more flasks, process in batches.

9. REAGENT PREPARATION

- 9.1. Warm all tissue culture medium to room temperature prior to use if stored 2-8°C.
- 9.2. DMEM TF, DMEM 2%, and DMEM SF Medium Preparation
 - 9.2.1. Combine the following reagents according to Table 1 for **500 mL** volume. Scale volumes as needed.

Table 1: Media Preparation

	DMEM TF	DMEM 2%	DMEM SF
Reagent Name	Volume 500 (mL)	Volume 500 (mL)	Volume 500 (mL)
DMEM	440	480	490
FBS	50	10	0
NEAA	5	5	5
Glutamax	5	5	5
0.2 µm PES Filter unit	1 unit	1 unit	1 unit

9.2.2. Filter with 0.2 µm PES filter.

Note: If making larger volumes, the same 0.2 µm PES filter can be used.

- 9.2.3. Label with reagent name, data reference, date/time, and Analyst initials.
- 9.2.4. Prepare reagent immediately prior to use and maintain at 2-8°C if not used same day. Use within 24 hours.
- 9.3. Transfection Lysis Buffer (Cell Harvest, Day 4, Section 12)
 - 9.3.1. Combine the following reagents according to Table 2 (scale as needed).

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Note: The 10% Brij58 needs to be prepared 24 hours in advance.

Table 2: Transfection Lysis Buffer Preparation

Lysis Buffer Total Volume	1 mL
DPBS_MgCI_AA	0.884 mL
10% Brij58	0.067 mL
Benzonase	4.2 µL
DNase	4.2 µL
1M Ammonium Sulfate (NH₃SO₄)	41.7 µL

- 9.3.2. Label with reagent name, data reference, current date, and Analyst initials.
- 9.3.3. Prepare reagent immediately prior to use and maintain on wet ice or 2-8°C. Discard remaining Lysis Buffer after use.

Note: If making larger volumes, the same 0.2 µm PES filter can be used.

10. 293TT CELL PREPARATION (DAY 1)

Note: Enter pertinent information on "2005: HEK293TT Transfection Form, Day 1-4."

- 10.1. Refer to "20001: 293TT Cell Culturing and Maintenance" for information regarding the harvesting, counting, and seeding of HEK 293TT cells.
- 10.2. Seed cell culture flasks per the respective attachment (Section 8.1) in DMEM TF per Table 3.

Table 3: Volume of DMEM TF to add to each flask

DMEM TF (per flask)
20-30 mL
25-35 mL
25-35 mL
30-40 mL
120-140 mL
270-300 mL

10.3. Incubate cells overnight (16-24 hours) in a 37°C, 5% CO₂ incubator.

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11. TRANSFECTION (DAY 2)

11.1. Refer to the respective attachment (Section 8.1) to confirm 293TT confluency via inverted microscope per "26015: Use and Maintenance of an Inverted Microscope." If confluency is below confluency range, allow cells to grow until appropriate confluency is reached.

Note: Report confluency in multiples of 5 (85%, 90%, etc.).

- 11.2. Thaw HPV plasmid on wet ice then mix by inversion.
- 11.3. Confirm concentration of DNA using NanoDrop per "26018: Use and Maintenance of NanoDrop Spectrophotometers."
- 11.4. Affix NanoDrop data to 20005-01.
- 11.5. Prepare Transfection Cocktail.
 - 11.5.1. Prepare Transfection Reagent: Media.

Note: "Transfection Reagent" can refer to either Lipofectamine 2000, PEI, or Transporter 5.

- 11.5.1.1. Prepare <u>Transfection Reagent:Media</u> mixture as shown in the respective attachment (Section 8.1). Invert to mix.
- 11.5.1.2. Incubate <u>Transfection Reagent:Media</u> mixture for 5-10 minutes at room temperature.

Note: Do not allow Transfection Reagent from step 11.5.1.2 to sit in Media longer than 25 minutes.

- 11.5.2. Prepare <u>DNA:Media</u> mixture as shown in the respective attachment (Section 8.1). Invert to mix.
- 11.5.3. Add <u>Transfection Reagent:Media</u> mixture to <u>DNA:Media</u> mixture into an appropriate-sized flask or bottle (this is now called **Transfection Cocktail**). Invert to mix.
- 11.5.4. Incubate Transfection Cocktail at room temperature for 20-30 minutes.
- 11.6. Remove 293TT flasks from incubator and place in BSC.
- 11.7. Add Transfection Cocktail.

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- 11.7.1. Gently swirl to mix Transfection Cocktail. Handle conditioned media as per 11.7.1.1 11.7.1.2. Add Transfection Cocktail to 293TT flasks according to Transfection reagent used, see attachment (Section 8.1).
 - 11.7.1.1. When using <u>Lipofectamine 2000</u>, leave conditioned media on cells during Transfection Cocktail incubation.
 - 11.7.1.1.1. For T225 flask, add Transfection
 Cocktail directly to the side of the flask
 do not disturb cells, and then gently rock
 flask to mix.
 - 11.7.1.1.2. For multi-layer flasks, transfer culture media to a sterile storage media bottle and add Transfection Cocktail into culture media. Invert to mix, and slowly transfer back to culture flask.
 - 11.7.1.2. When using <u>PEI or Transporter 5</u>, remove conditioned media prior to adding Transfection Cocktail.
 - 11.7.1.2.1. Remove conditioned media from flask using a serological pipet or by decanting into waste container.
 - 11.7.1.2.2. Add Transfection Cocktail to each flask, careful not to disturb cells, and gently rock flask to cover cells completely.
- 11.8. Label each flask with cell type, transfection date, transfection reagent, plasmid name, Data Reference/Lot Number, and Analyst initials per Attachment 4.
- 11.9. Incubate cells in a 37°C, 5% CO₂ incubator for 5-6 hours.

Note: Use the start time of the first flask transfected on 20005-01.

Note: The start time of the Transfection at 37°C (Step 11.9) is also the start time of the 48 ± 2 hour Transfection Incubation at 37°C (Step 11.12).

- 11.10. Remove flasks from incubator and place in BSC.
- 11.11. Process flasks according to Transfection reagent used as per 11.11.1 11.11.2.

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- 11.11.1. When using <u>Lipofectamine 2000</u>, remove media using a serological pipet, or by decanting, into waste container. Add room temperature DMEM TF to each flask per Table 4.
- 11.11.2. When using <u>PEI or Transporter 5</u>, leave transfection cocktail on the cells. Add sufficient quantity of room temperature DMEM TF to flask to achieve the final volume as indicated in Table 4.

Table 4: Final Volume of DMEM TF

Flask Type	DMEM TF (per flask)	
T150	28 mL	
T175	32 mL	
T182	34 mL	
T225	40 mL	
5-Layer	180 mL	
8-Layer CELLdisk	405 mL	

11.12. Incubate transfected cells in 37°C, 5% CO₂ incubator for 48 ± 2 hours using the incubation start time from Step 11.9.

12. CELL HARVEST (DAY 4)

- 12.1. Place flasks in BSC. Remove media using a serological pipet or by decanting into an appropriately-sized conical centrifuge tube, labeled "A"
- 12.2. Gently wash attached cells with DPBS.
 - 12.2.1. Add volume of DPBS per Table 5 to each flask.

Table 5: Volume of DPBS to add to each flask

Flask Type	Volume of DPBS
T150-T225	5-15 mL
5-Layer	20-40 mL
8-Layer CELLdisk	40-60 mL

- 12.2.2. Gently wash attached cells by rocking back and forth 3-5 times.
- 12.2.3. Collect wash using serological pipet or decanting the supernatant into a conical centrifuge tube, labeled "**B**".
- 12.2.4. Repeat DPBS wash, steps 12.2.1 and 12.2.2 if needed.

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12.3. Add trypsin to flask per Table 6. Gently rock flasks to distribute trypsin evenly over cells and incubate for 3-5 minutes in the 37°C, 5% CO₂ incubator. Prolonged exposure to trypsin approaching 25 minutes is toxic to cells.

Table 6: Volume of Trypsin to add to each flask

Flask Type	Volume of Trypsin
T150-T225	3-5 mL
5-Layer	12-20 mL
8-Layer CELLdisk	27-45 mL

- 12.4. Place flask into BSC. Wash flasks with media from container "A" to collect detached cells and add into container "B." Use volumes listed in Table 5.
- 12.5. Visually confirm that cells have detached from the flask per 26015.
 - 12.5.1. Repeat step 12.4 as needed to collect cells that are still attached.
- 12.6. Repeat steps 12.1 to 12.5 for remaining flasks. Pool cells into same container "B"; use additional centrifuge tubes as needed.
- 12.7. Centrifuge balanced tubes at 300 x g for 10 minutes at 20°C per 26033.
- 12.8. Slowly decant media from centrifuge tubes into waste container. If pellet dislodges from bottom of conical tube, use serological pipet to remove media to prevent pellet loss.
- 12.9. Add 5 mL of DPBS if using a 50 mL conical tube, or 15 mL of DPBS if using a 500 mL bottle, to cell pellets. Gently resuspend cells via swirling the tube, finger tapping, or using a serological pipet. Cells may be consolidated into a 50mL conical tube.
- 12.10. Centrifuge tubes at 300 x g for 10 minutes at 20°C per 26033.
- 12.11. Use serological pipet or slowly decant supernatant into waste container. If decanting, ensure residual fluid is removed via serological pipet.

Note: The pellet will not be strongly adherent to tube.

- 12.12. Estimate the volume of pellet by comparing to fluid of a known volume in a tube the same size. Add 1.5 times the cell-pellet volume with Transfection Lysis Buffer (See 9.1) (Example: Add 1.5 mL of Transfection Lysis Buffer to 1 mL of cell pellet).
- 12.13. Gently mix the cell pellet and lysis buffer mixture via serological pipet or pipette.

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- 12.14. Label 1.5 mL <u>siliconized tubes</u> with Lysate Tube label (see Attachment 4 for example).
- 12.15. Aliquot 1 mL of lysate into each 1.5 mL siliconized tube using siliconized pipette tips, then wrap each tube lid with parafilm. Make note on tube if volume is other than 1 mL.
- 12.16. Incubate tubes for 22-26 hours in a 37 ± 2°C water bath per "26007: Use and Maintenance of the Fisher Scientific Isotemp GDP10 Water Bath" for VLP maturation.

Note: Invert tubes 1-2 times within the first two hours of incubation to ensure uniform lysis and exposure to lysate reagents.

Note: Some HPV types may need a longer maturation; ask Scientific Manager. Document any procedural changes on 20005.01.

- 12.17. Remove parafilm and wipe each tube with Ster-ahol, then transfer tubes to wet ice or to a 2-8°C refrigerator per "26005: Use and Maintenance of a 2-8°C Refrigerator" for 10-20 minutes.
- 12.18. Add 0.175 mL of 5M NaCl to each 1 mL of lysate and gently mix by finger tapping tube or inverting 3-5 times. Do not pipet up and down to mix.

Note: Keep same ratio of NaCl if volume of lysate is not 1 mL. For example, if lysate volume is 0.8 mL use 0.14 mL of 5M NaCl.

- 12.19. Incubate tubes for 10-20 minutes on wet ice or in a 2-8°C refrigerator per 26005.
- 12.20. Proceed to VLP purification (Section 13 Day 5) for immediate processing or transfer tubes to labeled box (Attachment 4) and freeze tubes in -80°C freezer for subsequent purification.

13. GRADIENT AND PURIFICATION (DAY 5)

Note: Enter pertinent information on "20005-02: HEK293TT Transfection Form, Day 5."

- 13.1. Ultracentrifuge Preparation
 - 13.1.1. Turn on ultracentrifuge and prepare it for use per "26021: Use and Maintenance of the Optima XPN Ultracentrifuge System."
 - 13.1.1.1. Select program per Table 7. Confirm settings for rotor type, speed, tube size, and temperature per 26021.

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Table 7: Ultracentrifuge Gradient Program Settings

Program Name	Rotor Type	Ultratube Part Number / Size	Volume of Each Gradient to Use (µL)	Rotor Speed	Temperature	Length of time (hour : min)
HPV_PsV	SW55 Ti	326819 / 5 mL	1200	303,800 x g	16°C	03:30
HPV_PsV_SW40	SW40 Ti	331374 / 14 mL	2200	284,600 x g	16°C	04:45

13.1.1.2. Check vacuum prior to run by pressing Open Vent (vacuum display should read below 5 microns (0.7 Pa) prior to sample processing). Once complete, release vacuum (> 1,000 microns).

13.2. Gradient Preparation

- 13.2.1. Label Thinwall Polypropylene Tubes (ultratubes) with ultratube number.
- 13.2.2. Create a 27%, 33%, and 39% Opti-Prep step gradient, using volumes appropriate to tube size and rotor, per Table 9.
 - 13.2.2.1. Using a sterile syringe fitted with a cannula, add 27% Opti-Prep to the bottom of ultratube.
 - 13.2.2.2. Using a clean syringe fitted with a clean cannula, underlay 33% Opti-Prep by slowly dispensing to create a gradient.
 - 13.2.2.3. Using a clean syringe fitted with a clean cannula, underlay 39% Opti-Prep by slowly dispensing to create a gradient.

Note: When held at eye level in BSC, an interface between gradients should be visible if gradient was dispensed slowly.

Note: Use the syringe to rinse the cannulas with Type II Water to prevent the Opti-prep from clogging cannulas.

- 13.2.3. Allow gradient to diffuse 1-2 hours at room temperature with minimal light exposure.
- 13.2.4. Turn on microcentrifuge and bring to 4°C per "26017: Use and Maintenance of the Eppendorf Centrifuge."
- 13.2.5. If lysates are frozen, while gradient is diffusing, remove lysates from step 12.20 from-80°C freezer and thaw on wet ice, then invert to mix.

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Note: SW55 Ti rotor can process about 7 lysate tubes, and the SW40 Ti rotor can process about 26-36 lysate tubes in one run.

13.2.6. Clarify lysate by centrifuging at 10,000 x g at 4°C for 10 minutes in the microcentrifuge per 26017.

Note: Use siliconized pipette tips or serological pipets whenever possible when pipetting lysate.

- 13.2.7. Pool <u>Supernatant</u> into new siliconized 1.5 mL tubes and repeat centrifugation per step 13.2.6.
 - 13.2.7.1. Repeat step 13.2.7 until supernatant is clear of cell debris, if necessary.
 - 13.2.7.2. Save Cell Pellets for use in steps 13.2.9-13.2.12.
- 13.2.8. Place <u>Supernatant</u> tubes into BSC. Remove clarified supernatant and transfer to 1.5 mL siliconized tubes or 50 mL polystyrene tube labelled "Supernatant." Store "Supernatant" tube on wet ice.
- 13.2.9. Add 400 μ L of DPBS_0.8M to <u>Cell Pellets</u> from first centrifugation (see 13.2.7).

Note: Gently mix each cell pellet using a pipette or mix by inversion.

13.2.10. Centrifuge cell pellets at 10,000 x g at 4°C for 10 minutes in microcentrifuge per 26017.

Note: A significant amount of VLPs may still be found in cell pellet and washing cell pellet ensures that most VLPs have been collected.

- 13.2.11. Remove clarified supernatant from tube and transfer to 1.5 mL siliconized tubes or a 50 mL polystyrene tube labelled "Cell Wash." Store "Cell Wash" supernatant tube on wet ice.
- 13.2.12. Store all supernatants on wet ice until gradient has fully diffused.
- 13.2.13. Document content in ultratubes per "20005-02: HEK293TT Transfection Form, Day 5."
- 13.3. Ultracentrifugation
 - 13.3.1. Inside BSC, carefully add supernatants to top of Opti-Prep gradient using a siliconized pipette tip or serological pipet.

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Note: Pipet supernatant slowly to ensure gradient is not disturbed.

- 13.3.1.1. Hold ultratube at a slight angle, 20 30 degrees from straight up, then slowly pipet supernatants along the edge of ultratube closest to horizontal.
- 13.3.1.2. As the supernatant layer is established, gradually bring ultratube to an upright position.
- 13.3.2. Fill all ultratubes to approximately 4 mm from the top to prevent tube from collapsing during ultracentrifugation. Carefully transfer ultratubes into ultracentrifuge buckets.
- 13.3.3. Use the Precision Balance, per "26012: Use and Maintenance of an Analytical & Precision Balance" to balance buckets including lids.

Note: Pair Bucket 1 with 4, Bucket 2 with 5, and Bucket 3 with 6.

- 13.3.4. Using a pipette add DPBS_0.8M to balance paired buckets containing tubes until pairs are equal weight.
- 13.3.5. Firmly tighten the bucket lid closed to prevent leaks using screwdriver.
- 13.3.6. Load buckets onto rotor and gently verify that buckets are hooked to rotor and swing freely.

Note: Do not spill lysate into buckets by allowing tube to swing too far from vertical.

13.3.7. Load rotor into ultracentrifuge, and select appropriate program corresponding to Table 8. Start ultracentrifuge run.

Note: To avoid disturbing gradient, use minimal brake.

13.3.8. Once program is completed, carefully remove rotor from ultracentrifuge. Document final run details in 26021-01.

13.4. Gradient Collection

13.4.1. Label twenty 1.5 mL siliconized tubes for each gradient tube processed: fractions 1-10, plus 20 μL aliquots of fractions 1-10.

Note: See Attachment 4 for label guidance.

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- 13.4.2. Place ultratubes into BSC. Collect fractions from the bottom of ultratubes.
 - 13.4.2.1. Gently but firmly secure ultratube with clamp and stand.
 - 13.4.2.2. Carefully pierce a hole in the bottom of the Thinwall Polypropylene Tube (ultratube) with a 25G needle, while minimizing disruption to ultratube contents.

Note: Wear protective, puncture-resistant gloves when working with needles, and dispose of needles in sharps box per 15000.

13.4.3. Collect fractions at the suggested volumes in Table 8 via gravity-based dripping. Place fractions into ten labeled tubes, fractions 1-10 in order, from step 13.4.1.

Table 8: Suggested Fraction Volume Collection

Rotor Type	Tube P/N / Size	Volume of Fraction 1 to Collect (µL)	Volume of Fractions 2-10 to Collect (µL)
SW55 Ti	326819 / 5 mL	400	200
SW40 Ti	331374 / 14 mL	1000-1300	300

- 13.4.4. Gently mix fractions by inversion (do not vortex) or by pipet and aliquot approximately 20 μL of each fraction into tubes labeled for 20 μL aliquots from step 13.4.1 for in-process testing per "30010: Acrylamide Protein Gel Analysis of Virus-like Particles (VLPs)."
- 13.4.5. Store VLPs at -80°C in a box labeled per Attachment 4. Store the 20 µL aliquots at -80°C in a separate box labeled per Attachment 4.
- 13.4.6. Repeat sections 8 to 13 until desired VLP yield is obtained then proceed to section 14. For HPV-16 VLP about 8 X T225 flasks and for HPV-18 VLP about 17 X T225 flasks generate about 1 mg of VLP.

14. FRACTION POOLING

- 14.1. Pool fractions selected by Scientific Manager based on in-process testing results from 30010 and "30011: Protein Analysis of Virus Like Particles (VLPs) Using the Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer".
 - 14.1.1. Affix pooled fraction selection table to "20005-03: Fraction Pool Form;" confer with Scientific Manager.

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- 14.2. Thaw fractions on wet ice or 2-8°C. Combine fractions using siliconized tips into a polystyrene conical tube or storage bottle. Gently mix by inversion.
- 14.3. Label each tube according to Attachment 5.

Note: Lot numbers are assigned based on 10010.

14.4. Perform BCA and Agilent protein procedure(s) the same day as pooling per "30009: BCA Protein Assay" and 30011. Annotate protein concentration results on form 20005-03 from the BCA assay for VLP L1 proteins and the Agilent for VLP L1L2 on form 20005-03.

Note: Consult Scientific Manager for aliquot concentration.

- 14.5. Additional aliquots are prepared and stored at -80°C for confirmatory testing as suggested in Attachment 5. Annotate aliquot information and any future testing results per 20005-03.
- 14.6. Dilute the Electron Microscopy fraction to 0.5 mg/mL in DPBS.
- 14.7. Record number of aliquots into Freezer Inventory and on 20005-03.

15. ATTACHMENTS

- 15.1. Attachment 1: Lipofectamine 2000 Transfection
- 15.2. Attachment 2: PEI Transfection
- 15.3. Attachment 3: Transporter 5 Transfection
- 15.4. Attachment 4: Transfection Flask, Lysate Tube and Box, and Fraction Tube and Box Label Guidance
- 15.5. Attachment 5: Pooled Fraction Tube and Box Label Guidance and Suggested Aliquots for Testing
- 15.6. Attachment 6: 20005-01: HEK293TT Transfection Form, Day 1-4
- 15.7. Attachment 7: 20005-02: HEK293TT Transfection Form, Day 5
- 15.8. Attachment 8: 20005-03: Fraction Pool Form

16. REVISION HISTORY

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Version	Change	Reason

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	Added HSL_QS_022 to References and Procedure Principles section. 1. Clarification.
	2. Updated volumes of DMEM 2. Reflect current practice.
	preparations in section 9.
	3. Section 10 medium volumes updated. 3. Reflect current practice.
4.0	4. Attachments 1-3, confluency and T225 4. Reflect current practice.
4.0	volumes updated.
	5. Form HSL_LAB_005.01: changed Opti- 5. Reflect current practice.
	MEM to Transfection Media and
	updated cell count section. Minor
	revision in day 2 incubation section.
	 Correct Version number. Incorrect version at release.
	2. Add Agilent, HSL_LAB_011, procedure 2. Referenced in body of procedure.
	and name to Reference section and
	step 14.4.
	3. Add notes to step 11.8 to use start time 3. Clarification.
	of first flask as start time on
	HSL_LAB_005.01, and that 37°C 5-6
4.1	hour incubation start time is transfection
	incubation start time (part of the 48 ± 2
	hour incubation).
	4. Minor space formatting all forms. 4. Ease of use.
	5. HSL_LAB_005.01: For Post- 5. Clarification.
	Transfection DMEM Preparation,
	changed table title to "Post-Cell Culture
	Transfection DMEM TF Preparation"
	Section 2.1 removed location Reflect current practices
	2. Section 2.2 Revised wording 2. Clarification
	3. Updated SOPs used with new numbers 3. Reflect current practices
	4. Updated responsibilities 4. Reflect current practices
	5. Updated definitions 5. Clarification
	6. Removed DMEM 10A from Reagents 6. Reflect current practices
	7. Added reagents and equipment used 7. Reflect current practices
	8. Section 7.2 spelled out SDS 8. Clarification
	9. Section 7.2 spelled out 3D3
	10. 8.2.1 added lot number assignment 10. Clarification
5.0	11. Added 8.3-8.5
	12. Added 9.1 for media preparation 12. Clarification
	13. Added 9.2.1 note 12. Clarification 13. Clarification
	14. Table 1 was simplified14. Ease of use15. 9.2 Added data reference15. Clarification
	16. 9.2.2 Added data reference 15. Clarification 16. Clarification
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	18. 9.3 combined tables 2-4 18. Ease of use
	19. Section 10 created a table 19. Ease of use
	20. 11.1 included section reference number 20. Ease of use

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21. 11.4 remove "raw"	21. Unnecessary
22. 11.5.1.1 included attachment reference	22. Ease of use
23. 11.5.1.1 added mix step	23. Reflect current practices
24. 11.5.1.2 created note to separate text	24. Ease of use
25. 11.5.2 added mix step	25. Reflect current practices
26. 11.7 Described Conditioned media use	26. Clarification
27. 11.8 removed passage number	27. Correction
28. 11.9 clarify note	28. Clarification
29. 11.10 Clarified use of different reagents	29. Clarification
30. 11.12 Added Step Reference	30. Ease of use
31. 12.1 Added conical centrifuge tube	31. Reflect reagents name
32. Table 5 added T150 flask	32. Reflect current practices
33. 12.2.3 simplified wording	33. Ease of use
34. 12.3 added wording	34. Clarification
35. Table 6 added T150 flasks	35. Reflect current practices
36. Removed step 12.4	36. Reflect current practices
37. 12.6 clarified process	37. Clarification
38. 12.7 added "balanced"	38. Clarification
39. 12.9 added consolidation step	39. Reflect current practices
40. 12.11 removed absorbent towel	40. Do not use
41. 12.12 reword	41. Clarification
42. 12.13 specify mixing step	42. Clarification
43. 12.15 mix step removed redundant with	43. Clarification
previous step instructions	44. Clarification
44. 12.15 Added note of volume differences	45. Clarification
	46. Reflect current practices
45. 12.16 made note to separate text	
46. 12.16 notify scientific manager added	47. Reflect current practices
47. 12.17 reword for procedure process	48. Reflect current practices
48. 12.18 Added mix clarification and note	49. Reflect current practices 50. Clarification
49. 12.20 added proceed to section 5	
50. Added tube size	51. Clarification
51. 13.1.1.2 Added vacuum parameters	52. Clarification
52. 12.2.1 Label Added	53. Ease of use
53. 13.2.4 moved cool centrifuge sooner	54. Clarification
54. 13.2.5 Added if lysates are frozen	55. Clarification
55. 13.2.5 and 13.2.6 added note	56. Reflect current practices
56. 13.2.7 Added second centrifuge step	57. Clarification
57. 13.2.13 added documentation	58. Clarification
58. 13.3.1 added note to separate text	59. Clarification
59. Section 13 -14 updated and clarified all	60. Reflect current practices
steps	61. Reflect current practices
60. Updated Attachment to include T150	62. Reflect location within SOP
61. Update Attachment 2 and 3 cell	
confluency	
62. Changed Table 1 and Table 2	
numbering	

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Attachment 1: Lipofectamine 2000 Transfection

Cell Seeding Density by Flask Size (cells/flask)				
T-225 5-layer 8-Layer CELLdisk				
21 x 10 ⁶	84 x 10 ⁶	189 x 10 ⁶		

Cell Confluency (Transfection – Day 2)	40-60%
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Lipofectamine 2000:Media Preparation by Flask Size (per flask)				
Flask Size	Volume of Lipofectamine	Volume of Opti-MEM		
T-225	247.5 μL	5.625 mL		
5-layer	990 µL	22.5 mL		
8-Layer CELLdisk	2228 µL	50.625 mL		

Example Calculation: Transfect 40 T225 flasks plus calculate 2 additional flasks for overage.

42 flasks x 247.5 µL = 10.4 mL Lipofectamine Transfection Reagent

42 flasks x 5.625 mL = 236.25 mL Opti-MEM

Combine Transfection Reagent with Opti-MEM in a T75 Flask or a bottle.

DNA:Media Preparation by Flask Size (per flask)				
Flask Type	Amount of DNA	Volume of Opti-MEM		
T225	112.5 μg	5.625 mL		
5-Layer	450 µg	22.5 mL		
8-Layer CELLdisk	1013 µg	50.625 mL		

Example Calculation: Transfect 40 T225 flasks plus calculate 2 additional flasks for overage.

 $42 \times 112.5 \mu g = 4,725 \mu g DNA$

42 x 5.625 mL = 236.25 mL Opti-MEM

Using a 1000 μ L pipette, add the correct concentrations of DNA to Opti-MEM and gently mix by inverting the tube several times.

Volume of Transfection Cocktail to add (per flask)		
Flask Type	Volume of Transfection Cocktail	
T225	11.25 mL	
5-Layer	46.0 mL	
8-Layer CELLdisk	103.5 mL	

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Attachment 2: PEI Transfection

Cell Seeding Density by Flask Size (cells/flask)			
T-225	5-layer	8-Layer CELLdisk	
35 x 10 ⁶	160 x 10 ⁶	252-270 x 10 ⁶	

Cell Confluency (Transfection – Day 2)	80-95%
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PEI:Media Preparation by Flask Size (per flask)				
Flask Size	Volume of PEI	Volume of DMEM SF		
T-225	337.5 μL	10 mL		
5-layer	1350 μL	22.5 mL		
8-Layer CELLdisk	3039 μL	50.625 mL		

Example Calculation: Transfect 40 T225 flasks plus 2 additional flasks for overage.

42 flasks x 337.5 μL = 14.18 mL PEI Transfection Reagent

42 flasks x 10 mL = 420 mL DMEM SF

Combine Transfection Reagent with DMEM SF in a T75 Flask or a bottle.

DNA:Media Preparation by Flask Size (per flask)				
Flask Size	Amount of DNA	Volume of DMEM SF		
T225	112.5 μg	10 mL		
5-Layer	450 µg	22.5 mL		
8-Layer CELLdisk	1013 µg	50.625 mL		

Example Calculation: Transfect 40 T225 flasks plus 2 additional flasks for overage.

 $42 \times 112.5 \mu g = 4,725 \mu g$ DNA $42 \times 10 mL = 420 mL$ DMEM SF

Using a pipette, add the DNA to DMEM SF and gently mix by inverting several times.

Volume of Transfection Cocktail to add (per flask)		
Flask Type	Volume of Transfection Cocktail	
T225	20 mL	
5-Layer	46.0 mL	
8-Layer CELLdisk	103.5 mL	

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Attachment 3: Transporter 5 Transfection

Cell Seeding Density by Flask Size (cells/flask)					
T-150	T-225		5-layer		8-Layer CELLdisk
25 x 10 ⁶	35 x 10 ⁶		160 x 10	6	252-270 x 10 ⁶
Cell Confluency (Transfection – Day 2) 80-95%			80-95%		
Transporter 5:Media Preparation by Flask Size (per flask)					
Flask Size	Volume of Tran		ransporter 5	Vol	ume of DMEM 2%
T-150		225 µL			7 mL
T-225	337.5 µL			10 mL	
5-layer	1350		0 μL		22.5 mL
8-Layer CELLdis	sk 303		9 μL		50.625 mL

Example Calculation: Transfect 40 T225 flasks plus 2 additional flasks for overage.

42 flasks x 337.5 μL = 14.18 mL Transporter 5 Transfection Reagent

42 flasks x 20 mL + 20mL = 860 mL DMEM 2% split in two bottles of 420 mL

Combine Transfection Reagent with 420 mL of DMEM 2% in a Flask or a bottle.

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DNA:Media Preparation by Flask Size (per flask)				
Flask Type	Amount of DNA	Volume of DMEM 2%		
T150	75 μg	7 mL		
T225	112.5 μg	10 mL		
5-Layer	450 μg	22.5 mL		
8-Layer CELLdisk	1013 μg	50.625 mL		

Example Calculation: Transfect 40 T225 flasks plus 2 additional flasks for overage.

 $42 \times 112.5 \mu g = 4,725 \mu g DNA$

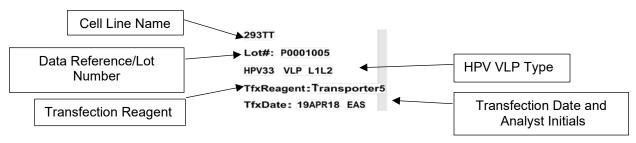
Using a pipette, add DNA to DMEM 2% and gently mix by inverting several times.

Volume of Transfection Cocktail to add	(per flask)
Flask Type	Volume of Transfection Cocktail
T150	28 mL
T225	20 mL
5-Layer	46.0 mL
8-Layer CELLdisk	103.5 mL

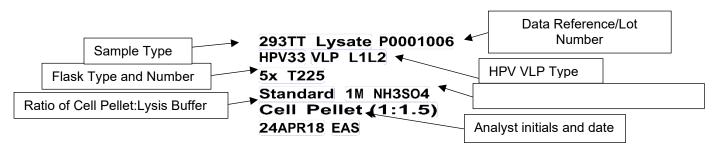
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Attachment 4: Transfection Flask, Lysate Tube and Box, and Fraction Tube and Box Label Guidance

293TT TRANSFECTION (Tfx) FLASK LABEL



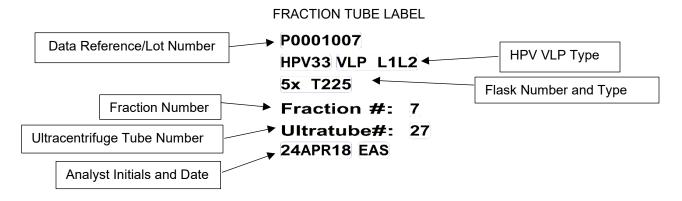
LYSATE TUBE LABEL



LYSATE TUBE BOX LABEL



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FRACTION TUBE BOX LABEL

Study: HPV16shell Ultratube # XX-YY

Sample Type: OptiPrep Date: 19TUN17

Initials: TK Box 1 of 2

Study: HPV16shell Ultratube # XX-YY

Sample Type: OptiPrep

Date: 197UN17Initials: TKBox 1 of 2

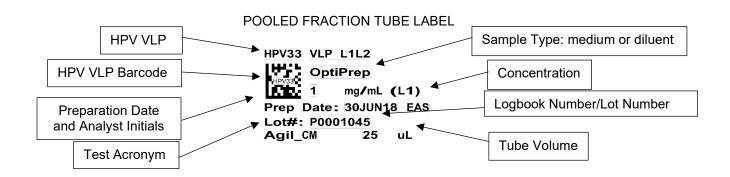


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Attachment 5: Suggested Aliquots for Testing, Pooled Fraction Tube and Box Label Guidance

SUGGESTED ALIQUOTS FOR POOLED FRACTION TESTING

Assay	Conc (mg/mL)	Volume (uL)
Combined Pooled Fraction	2.337	Various
Agilent and Coomassie (Agil_CM)	2.337	25
Bicinchoninic Protein Assay (BCA)	2.337	25
ELISA Specificity (ES)	2.337	25
Electron Microscopy (EM)	0.500	25
Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS)	2.337	150



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POOLED FRACTION TUBE BOX LABEL

Study: #PV6 VLPL1L2
Sample Type: optiprep
Date: 27AUG17
Initials: Lot#:
Box 1 of 1 H6_AB_27AUG17



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Attachment 6: 20005.01: HEK293TT Transfection Form, Day 1-4

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Day 1: Cell Prep	paration					
	ment Name		Equi	pment ID	Ca	libration Due Date
BSC			☐ HSL_007 ☐ HS	SL_008		
CO ₂ Incubator				L_023 HSL_026 her:		
Inverted Microsco	рре		☐ HSL_020 ☐ Ot			
2-8°C Refrigerato	or	☐ HSL_029 ☐ Other:		her:		ΓN/A
Cellometer Auto 2	2000	□ HSL_019 □ Other:		her:		□ N/A
Pipette:		μL	μL PIP_			
□ N/A Pipette:		μL	PIP_			
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	nt Name		Lot	Number		Expiration Date
DPBS						
Trypsin-EDTA						
Vita Stain AOPI S	Staining Solution					
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Cell Culture Lot Number						
Working Passage Numb			1			
Confluency:		_%				
Cell Count	Cell	Concentration		l v	iability	
Count Number		(10 ⁶ Cells/mL)		(%)) (≥80%) ⊔ Pa	ee
1					□ Fai	ı
2					□ Fai	ı
3 □ N/A Row					□ Pa □ Fai	
4 □ N/A Row					□ Pa □ Fai	
Average Cell Count (x10 ⁶ Cells/mL)						
Percent Difference (%) (≤ 25%)						
Secondary Average Cell Count						
(x10 ⁶ Cells/mL) □ N/A Row						
Inoculation						
Seeding Conc. of Flask (Cells/ Flask)	Total Volume Required (mL)	Volume of (mL)	70000000000000000000000000000000000000	Volume DMEM TF		Flask Type / # Prepar
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□ N/A Row						
□ N/A Row						
□ N/A Row						
N/A Row						
Cell Culture Start Time:						

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Transfection Cocktail Prepara	ition			
Transfection Read	ent:Media		DNA:Me	edia edia
Reagent Name	Volume Used (mL)	Reager	nt Name	Volume Used (mL)
Transfection Reagent		HPV Plas	smid DNA	
Transfection Media		Transfect	ion Media	
Incubate for 5-10 mi	nutes at RT			•
Combine Transfection	n Reagent:Media and D	NA:Media. Incub	ate for 20-30	minutes at RT
Volume of Transfection Cocktail / Flask (mL)	37°C Transfect	ion Start Time*	48±2 hr 37°0	C Transfection End Time
* Transfection Incubation St. Post-Cell Culture Transfection Reagent Name		on	iration Date	Volume (mL) / Quantity
DMEM				
FBS				
NEAA				
Glutamax				
0.2 PES Filter unit				
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Day 4 - Cell Harvest

Equipment

Equipment Name		Equipment ID		Calibration Due Date
BSC		☐ HSL_007 ☐HSL_008 ☐ H:	SL_009	
CO ₂ Incubator		☐ HSL_024 ☐ HSL_023 ☐ H ☐HSL_027 ☐ Other:	ISL_026	
Inverted Microscope		☐ HSL_020 ☐Other:		
Sorvall Legend XTR Centrifuge		☐ HSL_033 ☐ Other:		
Water Bath		☐ HSL_010 ☐ Other:		
2-8°C Refrigerator		☐ HSL_029 ☐ Other:		□ N/A
Pipette:	μL	PIP_		
□ N/A Pipette:	μL	PIP_		
□ N/A Pipette:	μL	PIP_		
		☐ HSL_022 ☐ Other:		
-80°C Freezer		☐ Freezer Inventory Upd	ated	
-60 C Fleezel		Shelf:	Rack:	□ N/A Position:
		Date/Time stored:		

Reagents
Reagent Name

DPBS				
Trypsin-EDTA				
5M NaCl				
	Transfection Lysis But	ffer		
Reagent Name	Lot Number	E	xpiration Date	Volume Used (mL)
DPBS_MgCI_AA				
10% Brij58				
Benzonase				
Plasmid-Safe DNase				
1M Ammonium Sulfate				

Lot Number

Performed by/date:

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Transfection Incubation E *- Based on the first Flask VLP Maturation		ate*:			
37°C Incubation Start T	ime / Date	Invert Tubes w	ithin 1-2 hrs	37°C Incub	pation End Time / Date
		☐ Yes ☐ No, Ad			
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Attachment 7: 20005.02: HEK293TT Transfection Form, Day 5

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Equipment Name BSC Eppendorf Centrifuge Precision Balance Ultracentrifuge 2-8°C Refrigerator Rotor Used	HSL_007 HSL_008		Calib	ration Due Date	
Equipment Name BSC Eppendorf Centrifuge Precision Balance Ultracentrifuge 2-8°C Refrigerator Rotor Used	HSL_007 HSL_008		Calib	ration Due Date	
Eppendorf Centrifuge Precision Balance Ultracentrifuge 2-8°C Refrigerator Rotor Used	□ Other: □ HSL_006 □ Other: □ HSL_015 □ Other: □ HSL_001 □ Other:	HSL_009			
Precision Balance Ultracentrifuge 2-8°C Refrigerator Rotor Used	□ HSL_006 □ Other: □ HSL_015 □ Other: □ HSL_001 □ Other:				
Ultracentrifuge 2-8°C Refrigerator Rotor Used	□ HSL_001 □ Other:				
2-8°C Refrigerator Rotor Used					
Rotor Used					
	HSL_029 II Other:			□ N/	
Dinette:	□ Sw 55 Ti □ Sw40 Ti				
ripette.	L PIP_				
□ N/A Pipette: μ	L PIP_				
	□ HSL_022 II Other:				
	☐ Freezer Inventory Updated				
-80°C Freezer	Lysate Shelf: Raci		k: □ N/A Position:		
	In-process samples Shelf:		k: UN/A Position:		
	Sileii.				
Reagents Reagent Name	Lot Number		Fy	piration Date	
27% OptiPrep	Lot Hambor			pration Bato	
33% OptiPrep					
39% OptiPrep					
DPBS_0.8M					
Gradient Diffusion (For Information (Start Time	Only) End 1	-ime			

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Equipment					
Equipment Nam	е	Equipr	ment ID	(Calibration Due Date
BSC		Other:	_008 LI HSL_009		
Pipette:	μL	PIP_			
N/A Pipette:	μL	PIP_			
90°C 5	,	☐ HSL_022 ☐ Othe			
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Number of VL	.P Product	Tubes:			
VLP Sample Tubes: Assay	Concent	ration (mg/mL)	Volume (µL)		
Agil_CM	Concent	radon (mg/mz)	Volumo (µL)		
BCA					
ES					
EM					
DLS					
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