

# TREVIGEN® Product Data

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## Cultrex® Poly-D-Lysine

Catalog #: 3439-100-01

Size: 100 mL

**Description:** Normal tissue culture-treated (TCT) plastic exhibits a net negative charge which is the result of physical and/or chemical modifications. Due to variations in plasma membrane composition, this surface is not optimal for cell adhesion. Poly-D-Lysine (fig. 1) is a highly charged, synthetic amino acid chain that may be applied onto normal TCT plastic or glass surfaces, providing a positively charged coating for enhanced cell adhesion. Moreover, poly-D-Lysine is resistant to enzymatic degradation [1], promotes the growth and differentiation of a variety of neuronal cell lines [2] and can help mouse embryonic stem cells proliferate in the undifferentiated state [3]. Trevigen's poly-D-Lysine solution is provided ready to use at 0.01% and contains polymers in the 70,000 - 150,000 kDa range.

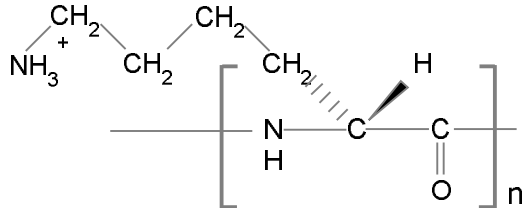


Figure 1: Poly-D-lysine

**Concentration:** 0.01% in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), sterile-filtered.

**Storage Conditions:** Product is stable for at least 6 months from the date of receipt when stored at 2 – 8 °C. Keep sterile.

**Applications:** Substrate for cell culture adhesion. An area of 25 cm<sup>2</sup> can be coated with 0.5 mL of a 0.1 mg/mL Poly-D-Lysine solution. Optimal conditions for attachment must be determined for each cell line and application. Slides may be dipped in the solution and air dried before applying sample. Keep sterile.

### Specifications:\*

- Functional Assay: Tested for ability to promote attachment of rat PC-12 pheochromocytoma cells.
- Sterility Testing: No bacterial or fungal growth detected after incubation at 37 °C for 14 days following USP XXIV Chapter 71 sterility testing.
- Endotoxin concentration ≤ 20 EU/mL by LAL assay.

\* Mycoplasma testing: not required for synthetic product.

### Coating Procedure:

The recommended working concentration is 0.1 mg/mL (as provided) but may need optimization depending on cell type.

A. The following table is a guide for the suggested volumes required per well:

Plate Type	Volume Poly-D-Lysine/Well
6 wells (or 35 mm dish)	1 mL
24 wells	200 µL
48 wells	50 µL
96 wells	20 µL

B. Pipette the appropriate amount of Poly-D-Lysine solution in each well. Swirl the plate to ensure coverage. Remove excess reagent and dry wells for 2 hours at room temperature in the biological hood to ensure sterility. **OR**

Pipette the appropriate amount of Poly-D-Lysine solution in each well. Incubate the plate for 1 - 2 hours at 37° C. Remove excess reagent.

C. Rinse the wells twice with cold sterile water, PBS, or cell culture medium. Add cells.

### References:

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3. Hayashi Y, Furue MK, Okamoto T, Ohnuma K, Myoishi Y, Fukuhara Y, Abe T, Sato JD, Hata R, Asashima M. (2007) Integrins Regulate Mouse Embryonic Stem Cell Self-Renewal. *Stem Cells* 25:3005-15.



Lot Specific Data:

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