

# Seeding MCF-10A cells in Matrigel

- 1) Make bed of Matrigel in 8 wells of chamber slide  
You will need enough Matrigel for 8 wells  
Matrigel will be pre-thawed on ice (at least 20 min before use)

45ul X 10 (8 wells plus 2 extra wells for pipetting error) = 450ul

You will be given 1 ml aliquot  
Coat each well as described in demo by Grace and Eva  
Place in 37°C CO<sub>2</sub> incubator for at least 30 minutes

- 2) Trypsinize cells  
You will be given a confluent 10 cm culture dish with MCF-10A cells  
These will be used to seed single cells in the 8-well chamber slide

Aspirate medium  
Wash with 10 ml PBS  
Add 900ul of 0.05% Trypsin-EDTA  
Incubate at 37°C for about 30 minutes

- 3) Make overlay medium while trypsinizing cells

Will need 400ul/well  
Make 400ul X10 for 8 wells (+ 2 extra) – need 4 ml total

| Per well                            | X 10 wells             |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 400ul of Assay Media                | 4 ml Assay media       |
| 8ul of EHS (2% final)               | 80ul EHS               |
| 0.2ul of 10ug/ml EGF (5ng/ml final) | 2ul EGF(10ug/ml stock) |

Original stock of EGF is 100 ug/ml – it will be given to you as a 1:10 dilution, i.e.  
10ug/ml.

- 4) Harvest trypsinized cells

Resuspend in 5 ml of resuspension medium  
Spin cells at 900 rpm for 3 min

Aspirate and resuspend in 1 ml of assay medium  
Pipette up and down with a 1ml tip to generate single cell mix (at least 5-10times)  
Add 7 ml assay medium and mix completely with a 10ml pipet

Count cells (will be close to 1 million cells/ml)  
Calculate cells needed for 10 wells (8 wells plus 2 extra):  
6000 cells per well – 60,000 for 10 wells  
Add 60,000cells to 4ml of pre-made overlay medium in step3  
Mix completely

- 5) Add 400ul very carefully to each well with Matrigel bed

- 6) Incubate at 37°C

