**Product datasheet**

**Alginate Hydrogel Kit for 3D Cell Culture ab241011**

### Overview

**Product name**  
Alginate Hydrogel Kit for 3D Cell Culture

**Assay type**  
Cell-based (qualitative)

**Product overview**  
Alginate Hydrogel Kit for 3D Cell Culture (ab241011) offers 3D cell culture matrices to meet the needs and requirements of various research fields. This kit provides a standardized, yet user-friendly and adaptable to high-throughput strategy for setting up spheroid formations, 3D cell cultures and pharmacological studies.

### Properties

**Storage instructions**  
Store at -20°C. Please refer to protocols.

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<th>Components</th>
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<tr>
<td>Alginate Hydrogel Matrix</td>
<td>1 x 5ml</td>
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<td>Cross-linking Solution</td>
<td>1 x 25ml</td>
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<td>Wash Buffer</td>
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**Relevance**  
Three-dimensional (3D) cell cultures are artificially-created environments in which cells are permitted to grow or interact with their surroundings in a 3D fashion. 3D cell cultures improve the function, differentiation and viability of cells and recapitulate the in vivo microenvironment compared to conventional 2D cell cultures. 3D matrices provide a physiologically relevant screening platform, by mimicking the in vivo responses, for many cell types including cancer and stem cells in developmental morphogenesis, pharmacology, drug metabolism and drug toxicity studies.

### Images
HepG2 and MCF7 cells in No Matrix (A) and 3D Alginate Hydrogel Matrix (B). Cells were cultured in Alginate Hydrogel Matrix for 21 days, and successfully formed spheroids. Media was changed every 2-3 days as per protocol. The Calcein AM staining (C) indicates that cell viability is not affected while culturing in matrix for a long period of time. Note: Calcein AM is not included in the kit.

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