Cell line profile

Ovarian Cancer cell line A2780 (ECACC catalogue no. 93112519)

The ovarian cancer cell line A2780 is uniquely deposited with ECACC and is one of its most frequently requested cell lines. This cell line was established from an ovarian endometroid adenocarcinoma tumour in an untreated patient and is commonly used as a model for ovarian cancer to observe the effects and test the potency of various chemicals, methods of delivery and treatments.

A2780, 48 hours post seeding          A2780 Growth Curve

Cell Line History

A2780 is an ovarian cancer cell line that was established from an Ovarian endometroid adenocarcinoma tumour in an untreated patient. It was deposited with ECACC by Dr T H Ward, from the Cell Culture Unit of the Patterson Laboratories, at the Christie Hospital in Manchester. The cell line has an epithelial morphology and cells grow as a monolayer in tissue culture flasks and in suspension in spinner cultures.

The patient from whom the A2780 cell line was established, did not receive treatment for their tumour before tissue was taken, and so the cell line has not been exposed to any anticancer drugs or chemicals. It is commonly used as a model to observe the effects of, and test the potency of various chemicals, methods of delivery and treatments for ovarian cancer.

Drug Resistant Variant Cell Lines

Two drug resistant A2780 cell line variants are also available from the ECACC general collection:

**A2780 cis (ECACC catalogue no. 93112517)**  A Cisplatin resistant cell line and
A2780 ADR (ECACC catalogue no. 93112520) An Adriamycin (Doxorubicin) resistant cell line

Cisplatin, or cis-diaminedichloroplatinum the drug most commonly associated with studies involving A2780, is comprised of a doubly charged platinum ion surrounded by four ligands (two amine and two chloride). It is used as an anti-cancer drug. The mode of action for cisplatin is thought to be as a result of its ability to crosslink with purine bases in DNA, interfering with DNA repair mechanisms. Several Cisplatin resistant A2780 cell lines have been independently developed and studies with these have reported, variously, resistance occurring as a result of increased drug efflux, leading to a reduction in the number of single strand DNA breaks induced; that resistance is due to DNA repair and tolerance to DNA damage.

Changes in gene copy number have been associated with drug resistance of cell lines. Further reports of work with cisplatin resistant cell lines suggested that elevated expression of extra cellular matrix proteins, particularly collagen VI were associated with drug resistance.

Cisplatin is used in combination with other chemical agents or compounds to treat ovarian cancer in both the resistant and sensitive cell lines. For example, Cisplatin is used along with honey venom (Alizadehnohi, Nabiuni et al., 2012), withaferin (Kakar, Jala et al., 2012), trichostatin A or 5-aza-2′-deoxycytidine (Meng, Sun et al., 2013). Another study details overcoming chemotherapy resistance of ovarian cancer cells by use of liposomal Cisplatin (Koch, Krieger et al., 2013).

At least 26 drug resistant cell lines have been created from the original A2780 cell line, including cell lines resistant to Carboplatin, Antracycline or Topotecan. Drug resistant A2780 cell line variants have been used to investigate the mechanisms for drug resistance in cancer, and to look at strategies for overcoming drug resistance (see references below).

Related Links

Cellosaurus: (A database bringing together information on all immortalised cell lines)

The National Center for Biotechnology Information Cisplatin in cancer therapy: molecular mechanisms of action

The National Center for Biotechnology Information Ovarian cancer cell line panel study comparing 39 ovarian cancer cell lines showing the importance of morphological subtypes of cancer

Nature Biotechnology A comprehensive transcriptional portrait of human cancer cell lines
A2780 Cell Line STR profile

DNA Profile:

STR-PCR Data:

- Amelogenin: X
- CSF1PO: 10,11
- D13S317: 12,13
- D16S539: 11,13
- D5S818: 11,12
- D7S820: 10

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A2780 as a model for ovarian cancer


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A2780 Cell Line Variants

A2780-DX1, A2780-DX2, A2780-DX-3, A2780-DX-4, A2780-DX-5 and A2780-DX-6 (2, 7, 26 and 48 fold resistant respectively after 2 hours exposure to doxorubicin, 30, 50 and 500 fold resistant after 72 hours exposure). http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/2598402


A2780/ACRP Cisplatin resistant to higher level than ACR6 and acquired cross resistance to doxorubicin and taxol http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1535610803000588

A2780/C200 cisplatin resistant cell line demonstrating that DNA repair and tolerance to DNA damage by cells contribute to cisplatin resistance http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/7954422

A2780/C30 cisplatin resistant cell line demonstrating that DNA repair and tolerance to DNA damage by cells contribute to cisplatin resistance http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/7954422

A2780/CBP selected for resistance to carboplatin ‘expression of p53, lrp-1 and mrp-1 was decreased, while the expression of pck, topo I and topo II β was increased in the resistant tumor cells’ http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/15254775

A2780/CDDP selected for resistance to cisplatin ‘expression of p53, lrp-1 and mrp-1 was decreased, while the expression of pck, topo I and topo II β was increased in the resistant tumor cells’ http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/15254775


A2780/CP70 cisplatin resistant cell line demonstrating that DNA repair and tolerance to DNA damage by cells contribute to cisplatin resistance
A2780/TPT selected for resistance to Topotecan overexpression of BCRP which mediated drug efflux may play an important role in the induction of TPT-resistance


A2780ADR Doxirubicin resistant cell line

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