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## Efficient Modification of Stem Cells

## Efficient genetic modification of stem cells (SC) by Electroporation

Current research in embryonic and adult stem cells employs variety of techniques such as targeted mutations via homologous recombination and induced differentiation. This can be accomplished by electroporation-mediated gene delivery.

BTX electroporators are designed for in-vitro, in-vivo, in-ovo and ex-vivo transfection of DNA, RNA, siRNA and therapeutic proteins. We describe here an optimized protocol for electroporation of ESC using BTX ECM 630 generator and BTX cuvettes.



## ECM® 630 ELECTROPORATION PROTOCOL

### **Cell Preparation**

Resuspend cells in an ice cold 1X Hebs to final concentration of 1 x 107 cells/ml.

### **Electroporation Settings:**

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Mode} & \text{LV} \\ \text{Capacitance} & \text{500 } \mu\text{F} \\ \text{Resistance} & \text{Set to} \\ \end{array}$ 

None

Electrode gap 4 mm

Charging Voltage 280V

Field strength 0.7

kV/cm

Pulse length 5.8-6.4

msec

#### **Electroporation Procedure:**

Cell Volume 800 ul
Transfectant 20 ug
Temperature 4-10° C
Press PULSE to activate automatic charge

and pulse sequence

