

MCF-12A Human Breast Epithelial Cell Line

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Validation & Biomarker Data Guide · Lineage classification: Mammary epithelial cell

1. Product Overview

MCF-12A Human Breast Epithelial Cell Line is an established non-tumor cell model for in vitro research. It is suitable for studies of cell physiology, growth, signaling, toxicity, drug response, biomarker analysis and assay development under controlled culture conditions. The cell line provides a reproducible system for basic and translational cell biology. For research use only.

Growth type: Adherent Cells | Tumorigenic status: Normal Cells | Pack size: 1 x 1 million cells

2. Typical Applications

- Cell-based assay development, pathway and mechanism studies, biomarker characterization, and comparative functional testing consistent with this lineage.

3. Identity & Phenotypic Marker Panel

A representative identity panel for mammary epithelial cell products is shown below. Actual per-lot Certificates of Analysis should be consulted for verified identity data.

Marker	Expected Result	Range
Cytokeratin 8/18	Positive	80–97% positive
E-cadherin	Positive	75–96% positive
Vimentin	Negative / low	≤20% (background)
CD45	Negative / low	≤3% (background)

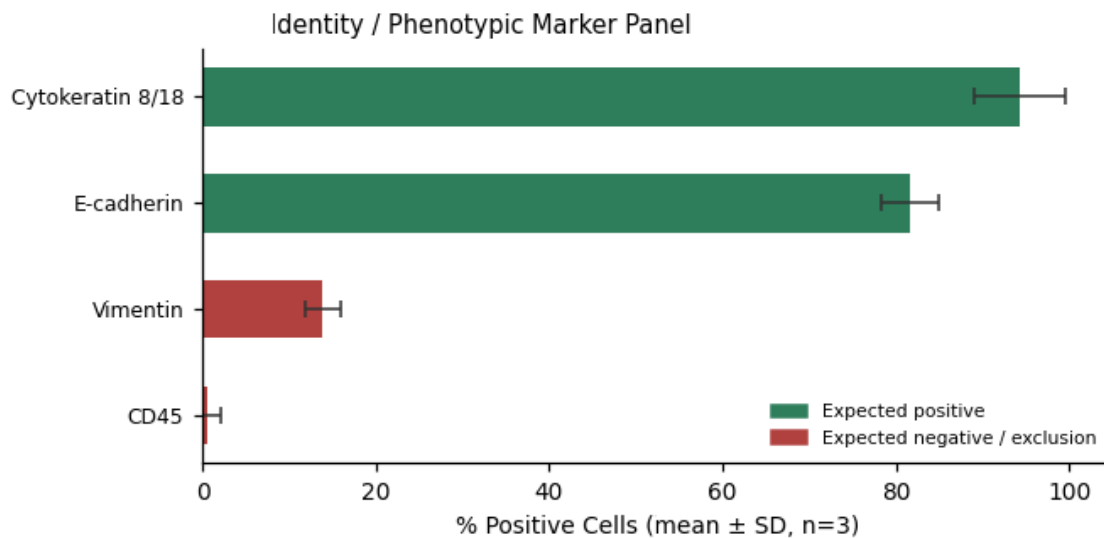


Figure 1. Marker expression profile (mean ± SD, n = 3 replicates).

4. Growth Kinetics & Viability

Growth and viability trends over 120 hours in standard culture conditions.

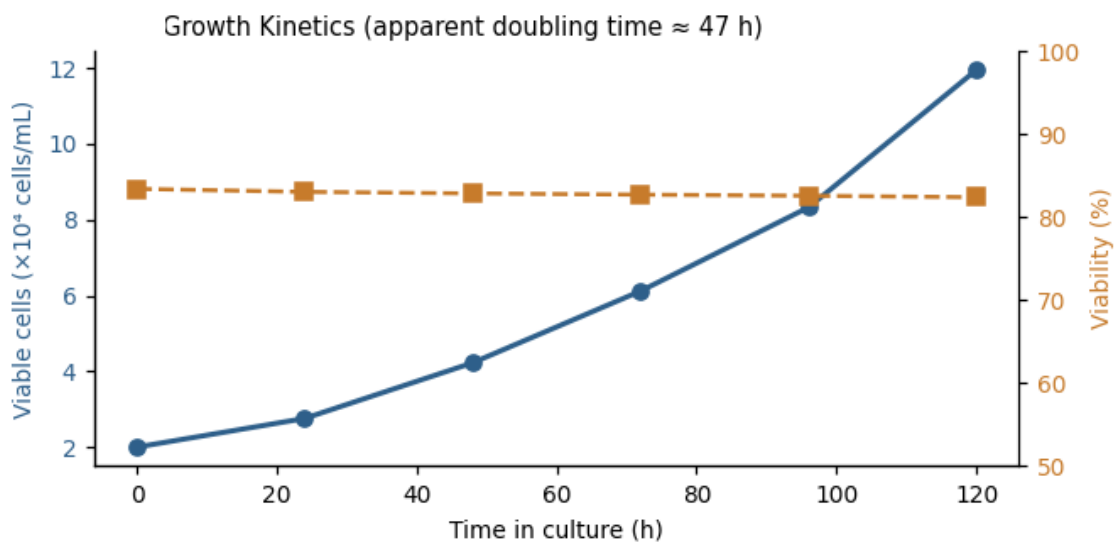


Figure 2. Growth curve (viable cell density, left axis) and viability trend (right axis).

5. Functional Validation Assay

3D acinar morphogenesis assay: Matrigel 3D culture assessed for polarized acinar structure formation with lumen clearance, confirming normal epithelial architecture.

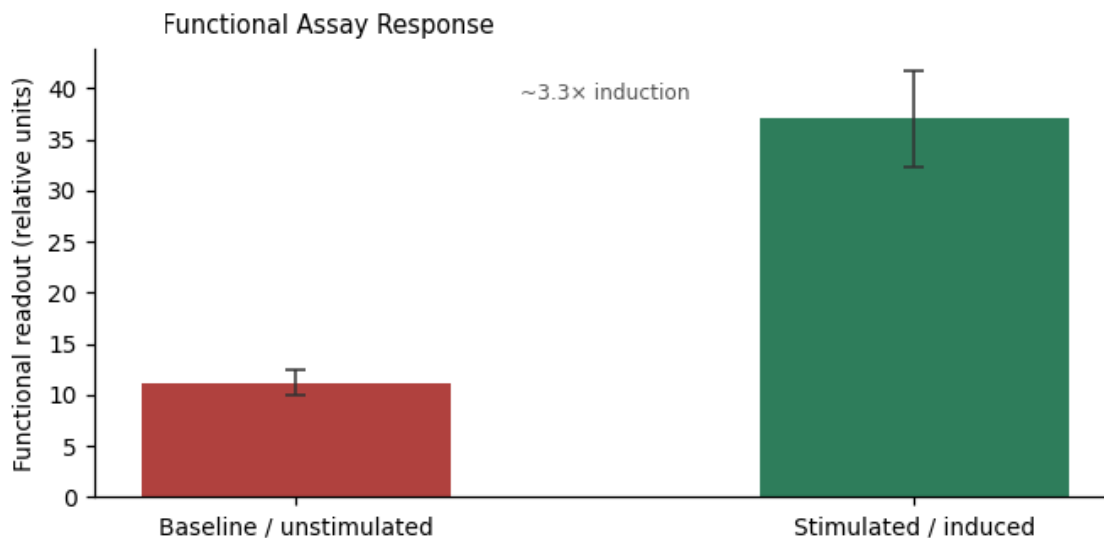


Figure 3. Functional assay readout — ~3.3x induction over baseline.

6. QC Acceptance Criteria

Acceptance Criterion	Result
≥80% CK8/18+ by ICC	PASS
Polarized acinar structures observed in 3D culture	PASS
Apparent population doubling time	≈ 47 hours
Functional assay outcome	~3.3x induction over baseline

7. Handling & Culture Notes

- Refer to the product-specific Certificate of Analysis and datasheet for validated culture medium, seeding density, and passaging recommendations.
- As with any primary cell or cell line, confirm mycoplasma-negative status, expected morphology by phase-contrast microscopy, and viability by trypan blue or equivalent dye-exclusion assay at each passage before use in downstream assays.