# Product Data 

| Product: | Human Female Metaphase Slides |
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| Catalog \#: | HFM |
| Source: | Human Female Lymphocytes |
| Storage: | $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

## Description:

Human Female Metaphase Slides are prepared using standard cytogenetic slide preparation methods. They are prepared from karyotypically normal female PHA-stimulated peripheral blood lymphocytes that are cultured for approximately 72 hours, synchronized, and then cultured for an additional 5-7 hours before continuing with a standard chromosome harvest protocol. Slides produced are ideal for various FISH protocols, including probe verification and CGH.

## How Supplied:

Human Metaphase Slides are supplied in units of 5 and are ready to hybridize. Each slide can accommodate two $22 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ hybridization areas, for a total of 10 hybridization areas per unit. Store @ $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

## Quality Control Assay:

Slides from each lot are stained and examined for the presence of metaphase spreads. Metaphases are examined to ensure all chromosomes are present, there are no abnormalities and chromosomes have a consistent length of 400-550 bands. Slides are also examined for optimal metaphase spreading, low surrounding cytoplasm and a high mitotic index. Each $22 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ hybridization area contains at least 20 high-quality spreads.

## References:

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