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WI-38

RRID:CVCL_0579

Type: Cell Line

Proper Citation

Coriell Cat# AG06814-M, RRID:CVCL_0579

Cell Line Information

URL: https://web.expasy.org/cellosaurus/CVCL_0579

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Description: Cell line WI-38 is a Finite cell line with a species of origin Homo sapiens (Human)

Sex: Female

Defining Citation: [PMID:211143](#), [PMID:352912](#), [PMID:535915](#), [PMID:656543](#), [PMID:699332](#), [PMID:1031681](#), [PMID:1249414](#), [PMID:1756776](#), [PMID:3016668](#), [PMID:4203458](#), [PMID:4329447](#), [PMID:4695793](#), [PMID:4817727](#), [PMID:5347639](#), [PMID:5668122](#), [PMID:5801069](#), [PMID:5834207](#), [PMID:5956336](#), [PMID:6256643](#), [PMID:6409440](#), [PMID:6538202](#), [PMID:6887978](#), [PMID:7065527](#), [PMID:7972006](#), [PMID:14064953](#), [PMID:14218592](#), [PMID:14315085](#), [PMID:17395773](#), [PMID:17792436](#), [PMID:19896956](#), [PMID:20215515](#), [PMID:22984048](#), [PMID:25063771](#), [PMID:25903999](#), [PMID:29546209](#)

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Category: Finite cell line

Organism: Homo sapiens (Human)

Name: WI-38

Synonyms: Wi-38, WI 38, WI38, Wistar Institute-38, AG06814E, AG06814G, AG06814H, AG06814-J, AG06814J, AG06814-M, AG06814-N

Cross References: BTO:BTO_0000458, CLO:CLO_0009591, CLO:CLO_0009594, CLO:CLO_0035526, CLO:CLO_0035534, EFO:EFO_0001260, MCCL:MCC:0000485, CLDB:cl4703, CLDB:cl4704, CLDB:cl4705, AddexBio:T0016037/5007, ArrayExpress:E-MTAB-38, ATCC:CCL-75, ATCC:CRL-7728, BioSample:SAMN01821606, BioSample:SAMN01821721, BioSample:SAMN03471285, cancercellines:CVCL_0579, CCRID:1101HUM-PUMC000210, CCRID:1102HUM-NIFDC00067, CCRID:3101HUMGNHu42, CCRID:3101HUMSCSP521, CCRID:4201HUM-CCTCC00016, CCTCC:GDC0016, ChEMBL-Cells:ChEMBL3307476, ChEMBL-Cells:ChEMBL3307614, ChEMBL-Targets:ChEMBL612806, ChEMBL-Targets:ChEMBL614391, CLS:300428, Coriell:AG06814-J, Coriell:AG06814-M, Coriell:AG06814-N, ECACC:90020107, GEO:GSE12450, GEO:GSE33710, GEO:GSM827323, GEO:GSM1022634, GEO:GSM1022637, GEO:GSM1022647, GEO:GSM1022655, GEO:GSM1887928, GEO:GSM1887984, IGRhCellID:WI38, IZSLER:BS CL 90, JCRB:IFO50075, JCRB:JCRB9017, KCB:KCB 200556YJ, KCLB:10075, Lonza:495, Progenetix:CVCL_0579, PubChem_Cell_line:CVCL_0579, RCB:RCB0702, RCB:RCB0704, TKG:TKG 0360, Wikidata:Q7950532

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for WI-38.

Warning: Discontinued: ATCC; CRL-7728

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