

Towards a wiki system for human and animal cell lines

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Outline

- Animal cell lines: aims and availability
- Wiki systems and Biological wikis
- Cell Lines Data Base and HyperCLDB
- Towards the CellLinesWiki

Cell lines information

- o Animal cell lines are useful resources for research, representing an optimal model for many assays
- o It is essential that cell lines are properly stored, characterized, maintained, distributed and used
- o Biological Resources Centers offer an adequate infrastructure for these aims
- o Their catalogues, including high-quality characterization data, are available on-line
- o But...

Cell lines information

- But...
a great wealth of knowledge, information, and data,
is owned by researchers throughout the world:
 - developing new cell lines,
 - investigating cell lines properties,
 - using cell lines in their own experiments.
- And...
this information is rarely published in literature
and it usually gets lost.
- So... we need to find a way to capture it

Wiki systems

- Wiki systems are effective tools for the collaborative development of documentation, from small texts to encyclopedic sites
- Mediawiki, that is used for Wikipedia, is one of the most frequently used software for implementation of wiki systems
- It is a modular open source, many extensions are available, new features may be easily added
- Specific aims of wikis in biology can be envisaged
 - Development and sharing of documents
 - Annotation and extension of database contents

Annotation of db contents

- Motivation
 - maintenance of database contents is a heavy task, that also requires specialist expertise
- Objectives
 - to allow experts to contribute with their knowledge to the improvement of contents
 - to gather annotations and further information, e.g. experimental data
 - to point out inconsistencies and errors
- Database contents are preserved from uncontrolled changes

Many biological Wikis exist

- **Gene Wiki**
 - Specialized subsection on human genes in Wikipedia
 - Objective: build a high quality page for each human gene
 - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gene_Wiki
- **WikiGenes**
 - Able to manage and recognize contributors
 - Users' pages, rating by peers, ...
 - <http://www.wikigenes.org/>
- **WikiPathways**
 - Community annotation of some pathway databases
 - Pathway editor available
 - <http://www.wikipathways.org/>

Cell Line Data Base (CLDB)

- Human and animal cell lines from 82 Italian laboratories and European collections
- The most relevant data refer to:
 - Identification (name, typology, karyology, morphology,...)
 - Origin (tissue, species, tumour, pathology,...)
 - Properties (known functions, products and applications)
 - Preservation and culture characteristics
 - Retrieval sources (bibliographic references, catalogue codes,...)
 - Quality control (identity and sterility)
 - Limited characterization (immunological profile, cytogenetic analysis...)

CLDB contents

- Total cell lines: 6,625
- 4,920 human cell lines of which
1,994 from 299 pathologies,
992 from 130 tumors, and
193 transformed
- 1,380 animal cell lines, from 203 species, of which
519 from 80 tumors
537 transformed

HyperCLDB

HyperCLDB is a static hypertext allowing for the navigation of CLDB data

Welcome to **HyperCLDB**, the hypertext on cell culture availability extracted from the **Cell Line Data Base** of the **Interlab Project**. HyperCLDB includes links to records of **OMIM**, the Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man Catalogue, and now also links to the **PubMed**, database of bibliographic biomedical references, which are drawn primarily from MEDLINE and PREMEDLINE.

If you want to cite CLDB and HyperCLDD, please use the following reference:

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Cell Line Data Base: structure and recent improvements towards molecular authentication of human cell lines.

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You can now start navigating HyperCLDB either by **Cell Index**, by carrying out a **Search**, by **Choosing a subset** of cell lines (i.e. a specific collection) or by selecting one of the predefined **Controlled terms**. You can as well use our **clickable button tab** to retrieve the indexes!

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Controlled terms of pathologies

OMIM(TM), Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man, is a catalog of human genes and genetic disorders authored and edited by Dr. Victor A. McKusick and colleagues at Johns Hopkins and elsewhere. The database contains textual information, pictures, and reference information.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z



| Pathology name | No. of McKusick | No. of cells |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------|
| achondrogenesis I *200600 | OMIM record | 1 |
| acyl-CoA dehydrogenase, long-chain, deficiency *201460 | OMIM record | 4 |
| acyl-CoA dehydrogenase, medium-chain, deficiency *201450 | OMIM record | 1 |
| acyl-CoA dehydrogenase, short-chain, deficiency *201470 | OMIM record | 1 |
| adenosine deaminase *102700 | OMIM record | 1 |
| adrenal gland tumor | OMIM Home | 1 |
| adrenal hyperplasia III *201910 | OMIM record | 1 |
| adrenoleukodystrophy / addison disease and cerebral sclerosis *300100 | OMIM record | 7 |
| Aicardi syndrome / corpus callosum *304050 | OMIM record | 2 |
| Alagille syndrome #118450 | OMIM record | 1 |
| Aldrich syndrome 277970 | OMIM record | 1 |
| Alexander disease *203450 | OMIM record | 1 |
| alkaptonuria *203500 | OMIM record | 1 |
| amaurotic family idiocy, juvenile type/neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis *204200 | OMIM record | 1 |
| amaurotic family idiocy, late infantile type/NCL late infantile *204500 | OMIM record | 8 |
| amyloidosis | OMIM Home | 3 |
| anencephaly *206500 | OMIM record | 6 |
| Angelman syndrome #105830 | OMIM record | 2 |
| angiokeratoma, diffuse / Fabry disease *301500 | OMIM record | 5 |
| Apert syndrome #101200 | OMIM record | 1 |
| argininosuccinicaciduria *207900 | OMIM record | 2 |
| arsa pseudodeficiency | OMIM Home | 5 |
| arteriosclerosis | OMIM Home | 1 |

In attesa di <http://bioinformatics.istge.it/hypercldb/patols.html...>

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Short description of cell lines.

Pathology: adrenoleukodystrophy / addison disease and cerebral sclerosis *300100 OMIM record

- By selecting the **cell line name**, you will receive the detailed description of the cell line
- By selecting one of the terms between parentheses, you will receive the list of all relevant cell lines
- You can search any term of the list by using the **'Find'** utility of your browser

[IGF016/83](#) (human, Caucasian, skin, fibroblast) - GEIMM
[IGF025/85](#) (human, Caucasian, skin, fibroblast) - GEIMM
[IGF037/84](#) (human, Caucasian, skin, fibroblast) - GEIMM
[IGF040/96](#) (human, Caucasian, skin, fibroblast) - GEIMM
[IGF044/83](#) (human, Caucasian, skin, fibroblast) - GEIMM
[IGF070/86](#) (human, Caucasian, skin, fibroblast) - GEIMM
[IGF086/91](#) (human, Caucasian, skin, fibroblast) - GEIMM

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This is the complete description of the cell line that you requested. By selecting a generic term (e.g. SPECIES) you will go to the corresponding list of controlled terms, while by selecting a specific term you will go to the list of corresponding cell line names.

IGF037/84 (human, Caucasian, skin, fibroblast, adrenoleukodystrophy / addison disease and cerebral sclerosis)

Primary culture, grown as monolayer
fibroblast morphology

SPECIES: human, Caucasian (male)

TISSUE/ORGAN: skin, fibroblast

PATHOLOGY: adrenoleukodystrophy / addison disease and cerebral sclerosis*300100 (OMIM record)

DEPOSITOR: Laboratorio Diagnosi pre-postnatale delle malattie metaboliche, Istituto Giannina Gaslini, Genova, Italy

PROPERTIES: biochemical study; genetic study; metabolism study

Available in the following **LABORATORY:**

- **Istituto Giannina Gaslini** (GEIMM, Genova)
RPMI 1640 + 15-18% FBS + 1% Antibiotics + 2g/l NaHCO₃ + 2mM L-Glutamine; Freezing medium: Culture medium + 25% FBS + 10% Glycerol; 37C, 5% CO₂
Cell line belongs to risk category Group 1
Affected hemizygous; Biochemical diagnosis

Bibliographic references:

- Exc Med Inter Congr 1989;127

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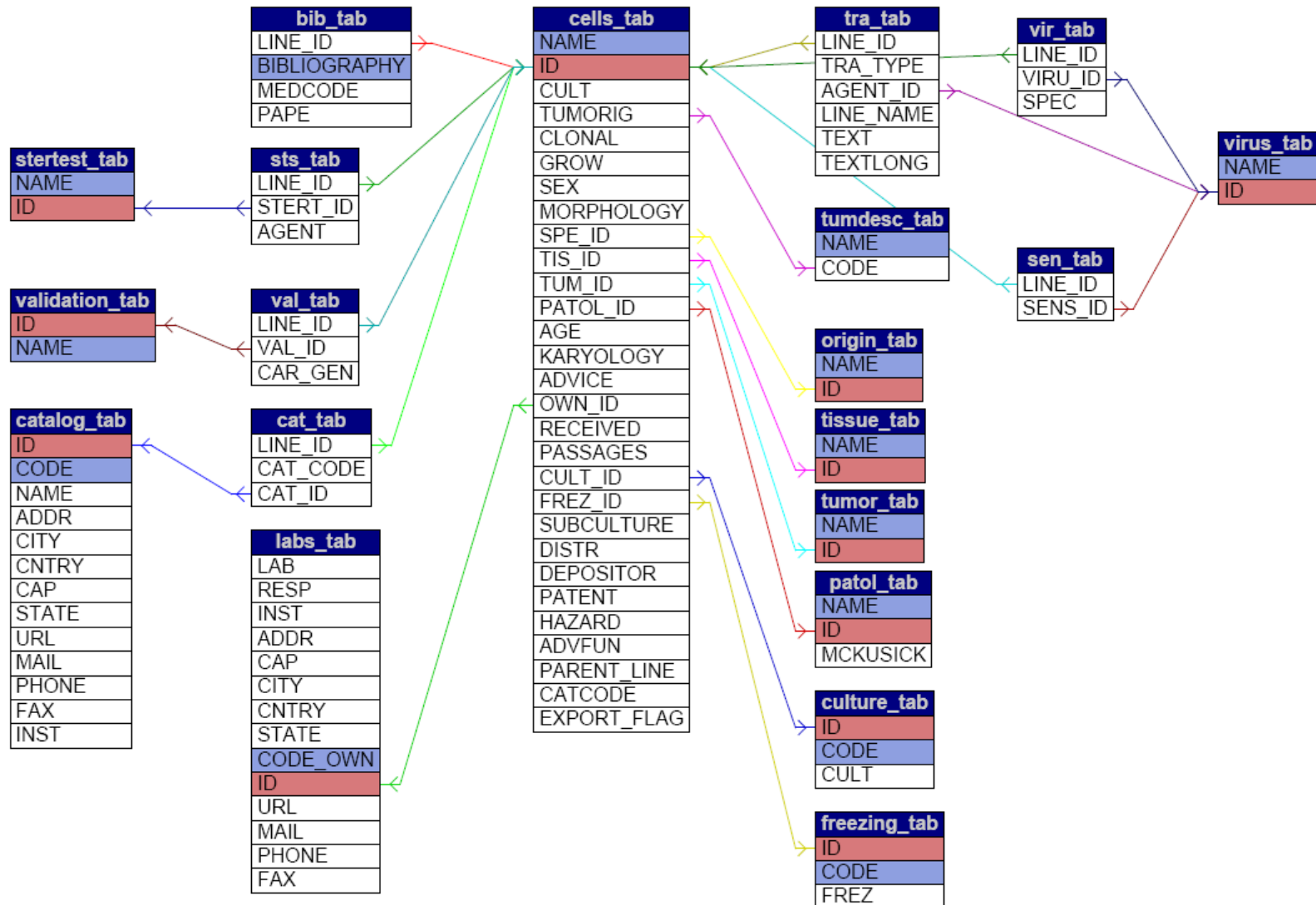
CellLinesWiki

- The CellLinesWiki is a knowledge base on cell lines for Biological Resources Centers, collections and researchers (under development)
- CellLinesWiki consists of three data layers:
 - database authoritative information (from CLDB)
 - a curated set of extra data, maintained by a limited number of carefully nominated experts in the field
 - unstructured information provided by end users, authenticated, but not trusted at the above level

CellLinesWiki

- Using **MW** and some **extensions** we are designing a system whereby the data in CLDB can be browsed, queried and annotated
 - MediaWiki was chosen as the starting point for the development of CellLinesWiki
 - the Semantic MediaWiki (SMW) extension was also used as we want to store structured data
- How to convert the database schema in the wiki?

CLDB schema



Modeling the RDB in the wiki

- RDB tables are implemented in the wiki as SMW 'classes', which are defined by MW categories.
- A page is an instance of the given class.
- It collects together a set of properties (one for each column in the table).
- Each page represents a row of data in the table.
- The 'form inputs' adapt to the type of property.
- Auto-completion allows easy input.
- Forms are created using special pages.
- Every data may be easily queried

e.g. The 'Laboratory' class

| labs_tab |
|----------|
| LAB |
| RESP |
| INST |
| ADDR |
| CAP |
| CITY |
| CNTRY |
| STATE |
| CODE_OWN |
| ID |
| URL |
| MAIL |
| PHONE |
| FAX |

- Each 'laboratory' page carries a template to format and store the associated values

```
{{Template:Laboratory
| laboratory = Cancerologia
| institute = Istituto di Cancerologia
| responsible person = Sandro Grilli
| ...
```



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Cell line query

Name:

Species or strain:

Tissues or organs:

Tumors:

Pathology:

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Cell line query

Name:

HeL
HEL
HEL 12469
HEL 299
HEL 92.1.7
HELA-S3
HeLA
HeLa

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Run query: Cell line/Query

Found 2 cell lines.

| Line name | Lab. | Cat. | Origin | Tissue | Tumor | Date |
|-----------|-------|----------|--------------|--------|-----------------------|----------------|
| HeLa 382 | GEIBM | | Human, Black | Cervix | Carcinoma | |
| HeLa 382 | ICLC | HTL95015 | Human, Black | Cervix | Carcinoma, Epitheloid | 30 August 1995 |

Additional query

Cell line query

Name:

HeLa 382

Species or strain:

Tissues or organs:

Tumors:

Pathology:

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Advice

Quality control and characterisation performed at ICLC

How to subculture

37C, 5% CO2

| Lab | Contact | Inst | City | Country |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Servizio di Biologia Molecolare | Giovanni Levi | | Genova | Italy |

| Code | Culture conditions |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| CC:DM09 | DMEM + 10% FBS + 2mM L-Glutamine |

| Code | Freezing conditions |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| FC:AM01 | 90% FBS + 10% DMSO |

| Transformation | |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Transformation type | Transfection |
| Parent cell line (name) | HeLa |
| Summary | see advices |

Identification data

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Laboratory code | GEIBM |
| Culture type | Continuous |
| Clonality | |
| Growth type | Monolayer |
| Tumorigenicity | |
| Morphology | epithelial-like |

Origin data

| | |
|-------------|--------------|
| Origin | human, Black |
| Sex | F |
| Age | 31 years old |
| Tissue type | cervix |
| Tumor type | carcinoma |
| Pathology | |
| Parent line | |
| Karyology | |

Culture data

| | |
|---------------|--|
| Received date | |
| Passages | |
| Patent flag | |

Category: Cell line



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Laboratory code:

Catalog code:

Culture type:

Clonality:

Growth type:

Tumorigenicity:

Morphology:

Free text:

Edit summary:

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9. *Address* of type [Text](#) (82)
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12. *Cell line catalog code* of type [String](#) (4358)
13. *Cell line clonality* of type [String](#) (514)
14. *Cell line culture type* of type [String](#) (5179)
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18. *Cell line function note* of type [String](#) (3360)
19. *Cell line growth type* of type [String](#) (5190)
20. *Cell line hazard* of type [String](#) (2343)
21. *Cell line id* of type [Number](#) (6632)
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