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Exosomes: everything you always wanted to know and questions to ask your exosome provider

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- What are the strengths of using an exosome therapeutic over a stem cell therapeutic. Select all that apply.
 - O Simplified storage, room temperature storage is possible.
 - Exosomes are a lot smaller so can get to and into their target cells easier.
 - O Exosome do not replicate so there is significantly less risk of spontaneous tumour formation.
 - O Exosome therapies are more targeted and precise than stem cell therapies.
- What is the best kind of cell culture media to use for the collection of exosome enriched conditioned media? (Conditioned media is used for the isolation of exosomes.)
 - O Any xeno free media that may contain human serum to stimulate cells to grow.
 - Cell culture media that contains foetal bovine serum (FBS).
 - The type of media doesn't matter as long as you have the right cells.
 - O Chemically defined media.
- The International Society of Extracellular Vesicles (ISEV) gives guidelines for the minimal experimental requirements required for extracellular vesicle research. Which of these is not recommended by ISEV?
 - O Particle size and concentration measurements should be determined by two or more complementary techniques.
 - O At least three proteins known to be enriched in exosomes should be detected along with the negative detection of at least one cell enriched protein.

- O Functional testing of exosomes using any assay that generates a response.
- Exosomes or EVs must be isolated from extracellular fluid that can include cell culture media, blood, cerebrospinal fluid or tears.
- Link the biogenesis pathway to the extracellular vesicle produced and its expected size.



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