



ABORTIONS & VACCINES

POLIO VACCINE

1936

Albert Sabin publishes a paper about cultivating polio virus in human tissue. In 1954, Enders, Weller, and Robbins win the Nobel Prize in Medicine for cultivating polio in tissues, including embryonic. A minimum of 9 abortions were used in the R&D of the polio vaccine.

1962

WI-38

Cell line taken from lung of 12-week old gestation female. It took a minimum of 19 abortions to obtain.

Currently used in Adenovirus, MMR-II, MMRV, Varicella

1966

MRC-5

Cell line taken from lung of 14-week old gestation male. It took a minimum of 1 abortion to obtain.

Currently used in Hep A, Hep A/Hep B, MMRV, Rabies, Varicella, Shingles

1967

RA 27/3

"Rubella Abortus 27th Fetus 3rd Tissue Explant" Viral fetal cell line. A minimum of 64 abortions were used in the R&D of the rubella vaccine.

Currently used in MMR-II and MMRV.

1972

HEK-293

"Human Embryonic Kidney 293" It took a minimum of 1 abortion to obtain.

Currently used in vaccine R&D for COVID-19.

1975

IMR-90

Cell line taken from lung of 16-week old gestation female. It took a minimum of 1 abortion to obtain.

Made specifically as a replacement for WI-38.

However, for reasons not yet found, is not currently in use.

1985

PER.C6

Cell line taken from retina of 18-week old gestation male. It took a minimum of 1 abortion to obtain.

Currently used in the production of HIV drugs & Covid-19 with FDA approval. Also used in R&D and/or production of RSV, Ebola, and Zika vaccines (not yet FDA approved).

2015

WALVAX-2

Cell line taken from lung of 3-month old gestation female. It took a minimum of 9 abortions to obtain.

Made specifically for cultivating viral vaccines. Not yet used in any vaccines.

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