

Cell Yields and Recommended Medium Volume

Corning® and Costar® Flasks	Approximate Growth Area (cm²)	Average Cell Yield*	Recommended Medium Volume (mL)	Maximum Working Volume (mL)†
25 cm²	25	2.5 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	5 - 7.5	10
75 cm² Canted neck	75	7.5 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	15 - 22.5	60
75 cm² Straight neck	75	7.5 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	15 - 22.5	90
150 cm²	150	1.5 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	30 - 45	210
162 cm²	162	1.6 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	32 - 48	175
175 cm²	175	1.75 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	35 - 52.5	250
225 cm²	225	2.25 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	45 - 67.5	370

\*Assumes an average yield of 1 x 10<sup>5</sup> cells/cm² from a 100% confluent culture. Yields from many cell types can be lower than this.  
† Maximum working volume is the amount a flask can hold in the horizontal position when filled to the neck.

Well Dimensions, Expected Cell Yields, and Recommended Medium Volumes

Costar Cell Culture Plates	Well Diameter (Bottom, mm)	Single Well Only				Entire Plate		
		Approx. Growth Area (cm²)	Average Cell Yield*	Total Well Volume (mL)	Working Volume (mL)	Approx. Growth Area (cm²)	Average Cell Yield*	Working Volume (mL)
6 well	34.8	9.5	9.5 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	16.8	1.9 - 2.9	57	5.7 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	11.4 - 17.1
12 well	22.1	3.8	3.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	6.9	0.760 - 1.14	45.6	4.56 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	9.1 - 13.7
24 well	15.6	1.9	1.9 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	3.4	0.380 - 0.570	45.6	4.56 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	9.1 - 13.7
48 well	11	0.95	8.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	1.6	0.19 - 0.285	45.6	38.4 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	9.1 - 13.7

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Corning Dishes	Approximate Growth Area (cm²)	Average Cell Yield*	Recommended Medium Volume (mL)†
35 mm	8	8.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	1.6 - 2.4
60 mm	21	2.1 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	4.2 - 6.3
100 mm	55	5.5 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	11 - 16.5
150 mm	148	1.48 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	30 - 45
245 mm (square)	500	5.0 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	100 - 150

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