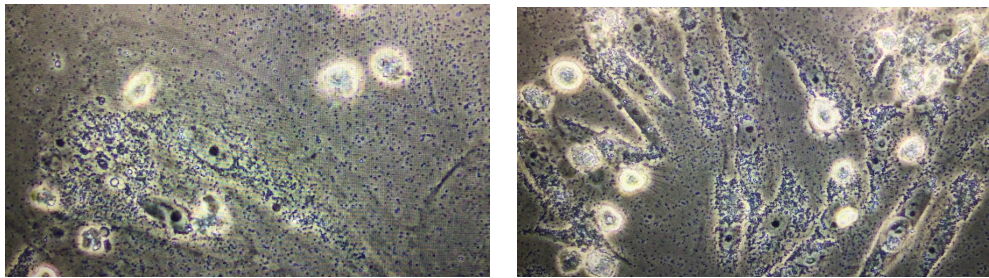


When the cell supernatant of ATL-72b(-) is added to Vero cells which are indicator cells for mycoplasma tests, **unidentified autonomous proliferative particles are observed after several days.** (\*The particles are not observed in the culture of ATL-72b(-) cells alone.) With our mycoplasma tests (DNA staining test and PCR test) and Bacteria/Fungi PCR test, they all indicated negative results.



\*Similar phenomena have been reported with other cell lines of other cell banks.

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At present, it is unknown why these particles increase, and there is no evidence that these are live particles.