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# <u>Cells at Work!</u> Comes to Blu-ray with Brand New English Dub this Summer





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# Enter the fascinating world inside your body with the must own series coming to Blu-ray!

SANTA MONICA, CA (MAY 17, 2019) – Aniplex of America is proud to announce the complete Blu-ray set for the smash hit anime series, *Cells at Work!* The highly anticipated release includes a brand new English dub starring Cherami Leigh (*Sword Art Online, Fairy Tail*), Billy Kametz (*Fate/EXTRA Last Encore, Katsugeki TOUKEN RANBU*), Robbie Daymond (*I want to eat your pancreas, Charlotte*), and Laura Post (*The Promised Neverland, March comes in like a lion*) under the direction of English voice director Christian La Monte and adaptation by Blair Rowan of *FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD*. The Blu-ray set also features the hilarious English dub bloopers as well as the exclusive English version of the opening song written by Kayli Mills and directed by Wendee Lee, which was specially produced and recorded for the Aniplex of America release. Housed in three Blu-ray discs with package illustrations by character designer Takahiko Yoshida (*Honey and Clover, Oreimo2*), the Blu-ray set also comes with five delightful animated shorts which were never released in the U.S., a special booklet with character reference guides and scene design materials, in addition to textless versions of the opening and ending. The *Cells at Work!* Complete Blu-ray Set is currently taking pre-orders and will be available beginning August 27 on RightStuf Anime.

Based on Akane Shimizu's popular manga from publisher Kodansha's *Monthly Shonen Sirius*, *Cells at Work!* has been widely praised by viewers around the world as well as medical professionals for its entertaining and educational approach to the story of cells within the human body. With anime powerhouse david production from the *Jojo's Bizarre Adventure* series handling the animation production and Kenichi Suzuki (*Drifters*) serving as the director, the series quickly became a smash hit since its premiere in July of 2018.

The series features a superstar Japanese voice cast which includes Tomoaki Maeno (Katsugeki TOUKEN RANBU, BLEND-S), Kana Hanazawa (Nisekoi, Blue Exorcist), Daisuke Ono (Black Butler, Jojo's Bizarre Adventure), Ayako Kawasumi (Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works], Fate/Zero), Saori Hayami (The irregular at magic high school, Sword Art Online), and Yuichi Nakamura (Durarara!!, Oreimo).

## Cells at Work! Complete Blu-ray Set includes:



<Disc Specs>

- Spoken Languages: English & Japanese
- Subtitles: English
- Aspect Ratio: 16:9 HD Widescreen 1920x1080p
- Episodes: #1-13 + Special Episode

- Number of Discs: 3 Blu-ray Discs
- Total Run Time: Approx. 350 minutes
- Rating: 10 UP

<Bonus Contents>

- Textless Opening & Ending
- Teaser, Trailers and Commercials
- 5 Animated Shorts
- Opening Song in English
- English Dub Bloopers
- \* Bonus contents subject to change.
- \* Bonus contents include English subtitles.

< Bonus Materials & Package>

- Package illustrations by Takahiko Yoshida (Character Design)
- Special booklet with character reference guides and scene design materials
- \* Bonus contents subject to change.

Product number and UPC bar code:

Title	Street Date	SKU #	UPC	SRP	Store price
Cells at Work! Complete Blu-ray Set	8/27/2019	AOA-12701	816546022020	\$ 169.98	\$ 139.98

#### About Cells at Work!:

This is a story about you. A tale about the inside of your body...

Enter the fascinating world inside your body where roughly 37.2 trillion cells work hard for you 24 hours a day and 365 days a year! The cell-sational action comedy *Cells at Work!* that has garnered praises from a wide array of audiences, from casual viewers to professionals in the medical field is the latest hit edutainment now on Blu-ray. The show is available with English audio, while also showcasing the English version of the opening theme song in each episode.

Carry, fix, fight! Don't miss out on your chance to own the only series starring your cells at work!

Additional information on *Cells at Work!* will be available at: <u>www.cellsatwork-anime.com</u> and the official *Cells at Work!* USA Facebook page at <u>facebook.com/CellsAtWorkUSA</u>.

#### STAFF

Original Story: Akane Shimizu (Serialized in Kodansha's Monthly Shonen Sirius) Director: Kenichi Suzuki Series Composition: Yuko Kakihara Screenplay: Yuko Kakihara, Kenichi Suzuki Character Design: Takahiko Yoshida Cell Character Design/Prop Design/Action Scene Animation Director: Kenta Mimuro Sub-Character Design: Keiko Tamaki Chief Animation Director: Takahiko Yoshida, Keiko Tamaki Art Director: Risa Wakabayashi (atelier Platz) Art Setting: Yoshihiro Sono, Koji Hashiguchi Color Setting: Aiko Mizuno Director of Photography: Yuki Ooshima 3D CG Director: Yutaka Nakajima Editor: Kiyoshi Hirose (editz) Sound Director: Jin Aketagawa Sound Production: MAGIC CAPSULE Music: Kenichiro Suehiro, MAYUKO Producer: Yuma Takahashi, Yohei Ito, Nobutaka Kasama Animation Producer: Go Wakamatsu Animation Production: david production Production: Aniplex, Kodansha, david production

#### CAST (Japanese/English)

Red Blood Cell: Kana Hanazawa / Cherami Leigh White Blood Cell (Neutrophil): Tomoaki Maeno / Billy Kametz Killer T Cell: Daisuke Ono / Robbie Daymond Macrophage: Kikuko Inoue / Laura Post Platelet: Maria Naganawa / Xanthe Huynh Helper T Cell: Takahiro Sakurai / Ray Chase Regulatory T Cell: Saori Hayami / Erica Mendez Dendritic Cell: Nobuhiko Okamoto / Griffin Burns B Cell: Shoya Chiba / Erik Kimerer NK Cell: Toa Yukinari / Morgan Berry Eosinophil: M • A • O / Kayli Mills Senpai Red Blood Cell: Aya Endo / Kira Buckland

English Voice Director: Christian La Monte English Adaptation: Blair Rowan

#### **About Aniplex of America Inc.**

Aniplex of America, Inc. (Santa Monica, California) is a subsidiary of Aniplex, Inc. (headquartered in Tokyo, Japan), a division of Sony Music Entertainment (Japan), Inc., and a leading provider of anime content and music production and distribution in Japan. The company's ever-growing lineup of shows includes: *Sword Art Online, FULLMETAL ALCHEMIST: BROTHERHOOD, Fate/stay night [Unlimited Blade Works], Fate/Zero, Puella Magi Madoka Magica, March comes in like a lion, Blue Exorcist, KILL la KILL, Gurren Lagann, Monogatari series, anohana -The Flower We Saw That Day-, Cells at Work!, The Promised Neverland, and Demon Slayer: Kimetsu No Yaiba. In 2017, the company made its first foray into mobile gaming* 

with the launch of the English version of the popular mobile game, *Fate/Grand Order*, and recently announced their plans to release *Magia Record: Puella Magi Madoka Magica Side Story*'s English version in the U.S. and Canada in summer of 2019.

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