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DRAQ5

Cat. No.: HY-D1742 CAS No.: 254098-36-7

Molecular Formula: $C_{20}H_{24}N_4O_4$ Molecular Weight: 384.43

Target: Fluorescent Dye; DNA Stain Pathway: Others; Cell Cycle/DNA Damage

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Analysis.

Product Data Sheet

BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

Description

DRAQ5 is a novel cell permeant and far red-fluorescing DNA probe. DRAQ5 excites at a wavelength of 647 nm, close to the Ex, and produces a fluorescence spectrum extending from 665 nm out to beyond 780 nm wavelengths. DRAQ5 fluorescence reflects cellular DNA content. DRAQ5 can be used in combination with FITC and RPE-labelled antibodies, without the need for fluorescence compensation^[1].

In Vitro

Mammalian cell in full culture medium staining methods^[2]:

- (1) Cell planking: Digestive separation of cells and resuspend in complete medium to a concentration of $2-4 \times 10^5$ cells/ml. Note: Attached cell cultures (e.g., coverslip cultures or chambered wells) can be stained in a 1-2-ml staining volume overlayering a 4-cm² surface area.
- (2) Prepare staining solution: Add 4 μl of 5 mM DRAQ5 acidified stock per ml culture medium (20 μM final).

Note: Nuclear discrimination is achievable at 2.5 to 5 μ M, and it is unlikely that concentrations >30 μ M would be required.

(3) Fluorescence staining: Incubate 5 to 15 min at 37°C.

Note: Overstaining cannot occur.

- (4)Wash (optional): Centrifuge cells 3 to 5 min at 800 × g, 37°C. Discard supernatant and resuspend in complete medium with 10 mM HEPES (HY-D0857) at 4×10^5 cells/ml.
- (5) For flow cytometry: Use conventional pulse analysis for doublet discrimination and analyze parameters using appropriate software.
- (6) For laser scanning microscopy: Collect fluorescence images using a 695 nm long-pass filter. Fixed cells staining methods^[2]:
- (1) Fixed cells:Use 4% paraformaldehyde in PBS for 30 min with resuspension in an aqueous buffer (e.g., PBS).
- (2) Fluorescence staining: similar concentrations of dye and similar incubation conditions can be used as for live cells.

MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

REFERENCES

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