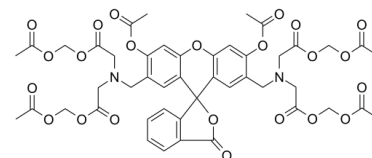


Data Sheet

Product Name:	Calcein-AM
Cat. No.:	CS-7726
CAS No.:	148504-34-1
Molecular Formula:	C ₄₆ H ₄₆ N ₂ O ₂₃
Molecular Weight:	994.86
Target:	Others
Pathway:	Others
Solubility:	10 mM in DMSO



BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY:

Calcein-AM is cell-permeable fluorescent dye used to determine the cell viability. **In Vitro:** The calcein-AM dye used to stain the living cells is shown to have a low spontaneous leakage rate less than 15% in 4 hours at 37°C. Dilutions of targets stained by calcein-AM has a linear relationship with measured fluorescence values. NK cells, LAKs, and CTLs are readily detectable by this microtest. Quantitation of killing and kinetic analysis is readily performed with the test system^[1]. Calcein-AM is pH independent, better retained and more photostable. In addition, the high level of intracellular retention of calcein-AM and its low-level release after incorporation exclude possible cell-monolayer labeling and allow its use in a cell-cell interaction assay. Moreover, the bright fluorescence can easily be detected and measured by a microplate fluorescence reader^[2]. Calcein-AM is a highly lipophilic vital dye that rapidly enters viable cells, is converted by intracellular esterases to calcein that produces an intense green (530-nm) signal, and is retained by cells with intact plasma membrane. From dying or damaged cells with compromised membrane integrity or from cells expressing multidrug resistance protein (MRP), unhydrolyzed substrates and their fluorescent products are rapidly extruded from cells. The calcein-AM assay has been used to assess the cell viability, cytotoxicity and to quantitatively measure apoptosis^[3]. **In Vivo:** Calcein-AM is found to be suitable for in vivo studies, because it has no deleterious effects on cell function and is, indeed, a marker of cell viability^[2].

PROTOCOL (Extracted from published papers and Only for reference)

Cell Assay: Stock solution of calcein-AM is prepared in DMSO at 1 mM and stored at -20°C. The working solution is 10 µL of the 1 mM stock solution dilution added to 1 mL of EDTA-PBS (pH 7.0)^{[1],[2],[3]}. K562, Daudi, and Chang liver cells are labeled with calcein-AM. Calcein-AM's excitation and emission wavelengths are 496 nm and 520 nm, respectively. The filter/mirror combination used to detect calcein-AM's green fluorescence includes the 490-nm excitation and 520-nm emission filters with a dichroic mirror. Differences in the automatic fluorescence readings between the test and control wells determine the results^[1]. A simple and sensitive cell-cell adhesion microplate assay is established using the calcein-AM. The procedure involves three steps: the labeling of lymphocytes with an adequate concentration of calcein-AM (20 µM) during a short incubation period (30 min); the adhesion of 2×10⁵ labeled lymphocytes per well to confluent keratinocyte or fibroblast monolayers grown in microtiter plates for 90 min; and, finally, measurement of the fluorescent signal utilizing a new system of cold-light microfluorimetry^[2]. Cells are incubated for 15 min in 1 mL of a 1% saponin solution in PBS buffer, pH 7.4, containing 0.05% sodium azide. After saponin permeabilization, 4×10⁵ RBCs in suspension in PBS buffer containing 0.1% saponin and 0.05% sodium azide are incubated (37°C in the dark for 45 min) with calcein-AM to a final concentration of 5 µM, washed three times with the same PBS buffer containing 0.1% saponin and 0.05% sodium azide, and the cell viability is analyzed by flow cytometry^[3].

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CAIndexNames:

Glycine, N,N'-[[[3',6'-bis(acetyloxy)-3-oxospiro[isobenzofuran-1(3H),9'-[9H]xanthene]-2',7'-diyl]bis(methylene)]bis[N-[2-[(acetyloxy)methoxy]-2-oxoethyl]-, 1,1'-bis[(acetyloxy)methyl] ester

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