

MitoBright Deep Red Probe Assay Kit

Cat. No: E-CK-A403

Size: 20Assays/100Assays

Cat.	Products	20 Assays	100 Assays	Storage
E-CK-A403A	MitoBright Deep Red Probe Powder	1.5 µg	1.5 µg × 5	-20°C, shading light
E-CK-A403B	MitoBright Deep Red Probe Solvent	20 µL	100 µL	-20°C, shading light
	Manual		One Copy	

Storage

MitoBright Deep Red Probe Powder and MitoBright Deep Red Probe Solvent can be stored at -20°C with shading light for 1 year.

Detection Principle

Elabscience® MitoBright Deep Red Probe Assay Kit is an assay kit that labels mitochondria of living cells and excites Deep Red fluorescence. MitoBright Deep Red Probe is a lipophilic, deep red fluorescent probe with cell membrane permeability, which can passively diffuse through the cell membrane of living cells and enrich in mitochondria, exhibiting membrane potential dependence. The stained cells can be fixed (aldehyde fixative) or permeabilized (aldehyde decontaminant such as Triton X-100) according to the needs of the subsequent experiments, and there will be a slight decrease in fluorescence intensity after fixation.

Detection Sample Types

- ☒ Adherent Cells
- ☒ Suspension Cells

Materials Not Supplied

- 1) **Reagents**
75% ethanol, cell culture medium, sterile PBS buffer and paraformaldehyde fixative
- 2) **Instruments**
Centrifuge, CO₂ incubator, fluorescence microscope, flow cytometer, biosafety cabinet
- 3) **Consumable Materials**
Petri dishes, pipette, 24-well plates, cell crawlers, microscope slides

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Experimental Protocol

➤ Reagent preparation

Preparation of MitoBright Deep Red Probe Preservation Solution (200 μ M): Take out the MitoBright Deep Red Probe Powder, centrifuge at 12000 rpm for 1 min, make the powder gather at the bottom of the tube, add 13.8 μ L of MitoBright Deep Red Probe Solvent to 1.5 μ g of the powder per tube, gently mix fully and aliquot into smaller quantities for -20 °C storage with shading light.

➤ For fluorescence microscope

- Carefully aspirate and discard the medium from the adherent cells, add 1 mL of PBS buffer per well to infiltrate and wash the cells for 3 min, and remove the PBS buffer.
- Preparation of MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Solution (200 nM): dilute 200 μ M MitoBright Deep Red Probe Preservation Solution to 200 nM MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Working Solution with basal medium (without serum). Please refer to the table below (100 μ L MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Working Solution per well for 96-well plates or 500 μ L per well for 24-well plates).

Component	MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Working Solution (200 nM)		
MitoBright Deep Red Probe Preservation Solution (200 μ M)	0.5 μ L	1 μ L	2 μ L
Basal medium	500 μ L	1000 μ L	2000 μ L

Note: A negative control is recommended for each experiment; the negative control is the cells resuspended in basal medium and without MitoBright Deep Red Probe.

- Add MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Working Solution (200 nM) at the ratio of 500 μ L per well in a 24-well plate, and incubate for 30 min at 37°C with shading light.
- Carefully aspirate the staining working solution, add 1 mL of PBS buffer to each well, wash the cells for 3~5 min, remove the PBS buffer, add 500 μ L of PBS buffer to infiltrate the cells.
- Observed and photographed directly under an inverted fluorescence microscope with Cy5 filter set. (MitoBright Deep Red Probe is Deep Red fluorescent, Ex/Em= 644 nm/665 nm).
- If the adherent cells are cultured on the glass crawler in advance, the cell crawler can be removed after staining, placed on a slide, and then observed and photographed using a fluorescence microscope.

Note: Keep the sample moist during the experiment to prevent the failure of the experiment caused by dry slides.

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- g) For suspended cells, resuspend the cells at the ratio of $1\sim5\times10^5$ cells with 500 μL of 200 nM MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Solution, incubate at 37°C for 30 min with shading light, add 1 mL of PBS buffer, and centrifuge at $300\times g$ for 5 min to wash the cells, then discard the supernatant, take 10~20 μL of PBS buffer to resuspend the cell precipitate, drop the cell suspension on the slide, and gently cover the coverslip to observe and take pictures under the microscope.

Note:

- a) It is recommended to use freshly prepared the staining working solution be dispensed and use out in the same day.
- b) When taking pictures with fluorescence microscope, its light intensity is too strong which will cause fluorescence quenching, so the light intensity can be appropriately reduced, or fixed with paraformaldehyde at room temperature and protected from light for 20 min, and then washed with PBS, and then observed and photographed using a fluorescence microscope. The fixed samples were stored at 4°C and protected from light for 3 days after infiltration with PBS, and the fluorescence brightness was stable and unchanged.

➤ **For flow cytometry**

- a) Collect the cells and centrifuge at $300\times g$ for 5 min at room temperature, discard the supernatant, resuspend the cell pellet with 1 mL of basal medium, then centrifuge at $300\times g$ for 5 min at room temperature and keep the cell pellet.
- b) Preparation of MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Solution (5 nM): Due to the high sensitivity of the flow cytometry instrument, MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Solution (200 nM) needs to be further diluted, refer to the following table to dilute MitoBright Green Probe Staining Solution (200 nM) to 5 nM (ready to use). According to the amount of single experiment, 500 μL of 5 nM MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Working Solution for $1\sim5\times10^5$ cells, refer to the following table to prepare sufficient amount of MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Working Solution (5 nM):

Component	MitoBright Deep Red Probe staining working solution (5 nM)			
MitoBright Deep Red Probe Preservation Solution (200 nM)	12.5 μL	25 μL	50 μL	100 μL
Basal medium	487.5 μL	975 μL	1950 μL	3900 μL

Note: A negative control is recommended for each experiment; the negative control is the cells resuspended in basal culture medium without MitoBright Deep Red Probe.

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- c) Take $1\sim5\times10^5$ cells per group, add 500 μL of MitoBright Deep Red Probe Staining Working Solution (5 nM) to resuspend the cell pellet, gently mix fully, incubate at 37°C in the incubator for 15~20 min with shading light.
- d) Add 1 mL of PBS buffer to each group, gently mix fully, centrifuge at $300\times g$ for 5 min at room temperature, and discard the supernatant.
- e) Resuspend the cells with 1 mL of PBS buffer, gently mix fully, centrifuge at $300\times g$ for 5 min at room temperature, and discard the supernatant.
- f) Resuspend the cell pellet with 100~200 μL PBS buffer and analyzed by flow cytometry in the APC channel.

Note:

- a) When co-staining with other antibodies and other reagents, the stained cells can be fixed with 4% formaldehyde or paraformaldehyde for 30 min at room temperature and protected from light, and then washed by centrifugation before detection.
- b) The brightness of mitochondrial fluorescence will be decreases after fixation. To maintain optimal detection resolution, the concentration of MitoBright Deep Red Probe staining solution can be increased to 5-10 nM for samples that require fixation.

Typical Results

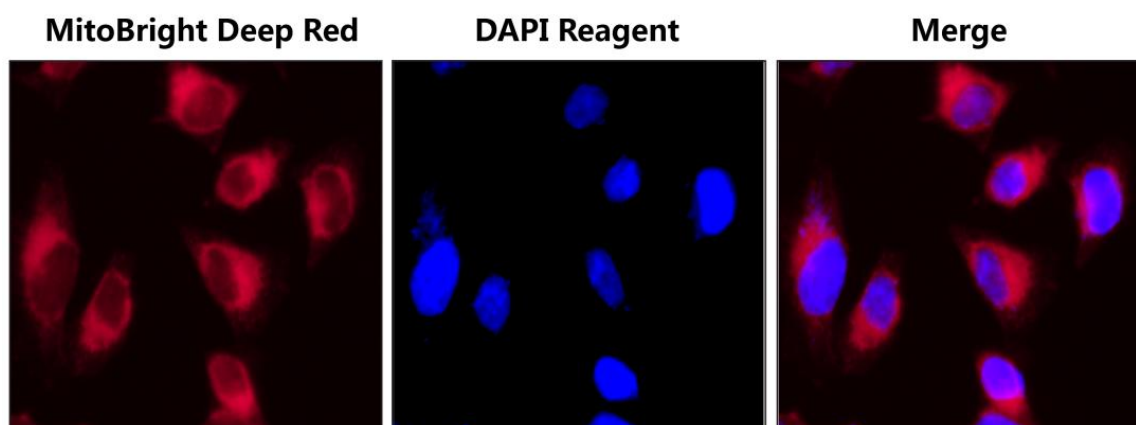


Figure 1. HELA cells were co-stained with MitoBright Deep Red Probe and DAPI Reagent (25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$) (E-CK-A163).

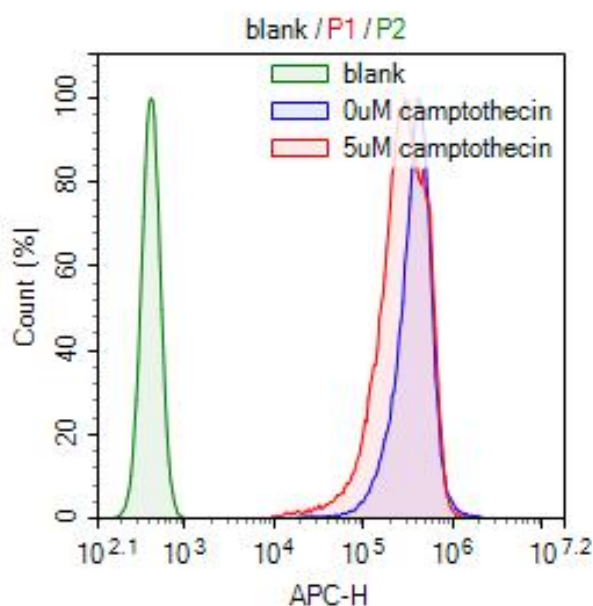


Figure 2 (left). Jurkat cells were induced with 0μM or 5 μM camptothecin for 4h, and then the cells were collected and stained with MitoBright Deep Red Probe. The results shows that the mitochondrial membrane potential decreased with enhanced apoptosis, and the MitoBright Deep Red Probe fluorescence brightness decreased.

Cautions

1. This product is for research use only.
2. For your safety and health, please wear laboratory overalls and disposable gloves for operation, and follow the laboratory reagent operating procedures.
3. This product is used for intact mitochondrial labelling in living cells, and cannot be used to stain cells after fixation, but cells can be fixed after probe staining with some degree of decrease in fluorescence intensity present.
4. The dry powder state of MitoBright Deep Red Probe Powder in this product is more stable. After adding MitoBright Deep Red Probe Solvent to dissolve it, it is recommended to aliquot to smaller quantities and use out within 6 months, and avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

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