

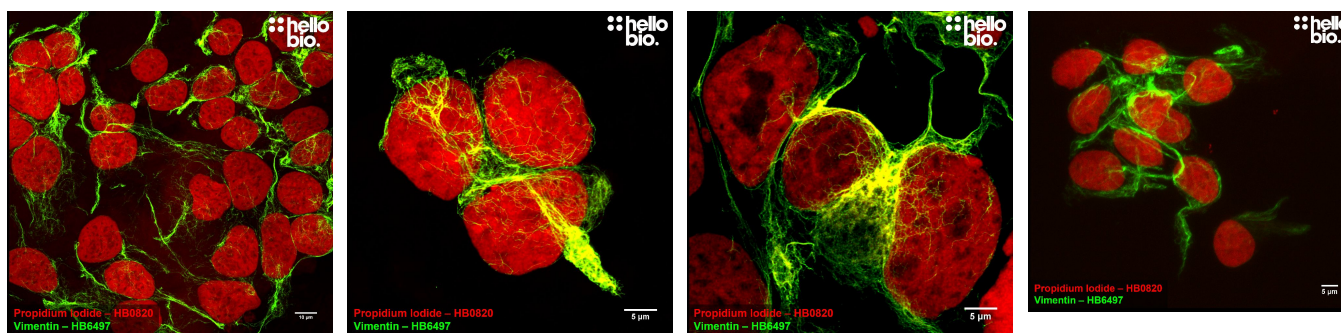
DATASHEET

Propidium Iodide Staining Solution (1 mg/ml) in water

Product overview

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| Name | Propidium Iodide Staining Solution (1mg/ml) in water |
| Cat No | HB0821 |
| Alternative names | PI |
| Biological description | <p>Propidium iodide (PI) is a widely used red-fluorescent intercalating agent that binds and labels nucleic acids. This is a 1mg/ml staining solution.</p> <p>Propidium iodide is membrane impermeant and is therefore frequently used to selectively identify dead cells and is commonly used in flow cytometry to evaluate cell viability.</p> <p>Propidium iodide (PI) is often used in flow cytometry, fluorescent microscopy and confocal laser scanning microscopy applications.</p> <p>Frequently used with Oxazole Yellow (YP1) when staining for apoptotic and necrotic cells as apoptotic cells remain impermeant to propidium iodide but permeable to Oxazole Yellow (YP1).</p> <p>Once bound to the nucleic acids, its fluorescence is enhanced 20- to 30-fold. Wavelength Maxima: Excitation ~535nm, Emission ~617nm</p> |
| Biological action | Dyes & stains |
| Description | Red-fluorescent cell viability stain. 1mg/ml staining solution in water. |

Images



Biological Data

Application notes

#Protocol 1: Propidium Iodide counterstaining of HEK293T cells

- HEK293T cells were cultured on coverslips in 10% FBS in DMEM and fixed with 4% PFA. Immunocytochemistry was performed following our [ICC protocol](#) using an anti-vimentin monoclonal antibody at 1µg/ml.
- Propidium iodide working solution was prepared consisting of 1µg/ml Propidium Iodide and 10µg/ml RNase A and incubated with cells for 30 minutes at room temperature.
- Following washing with PBS, coverslips were mounted and imaged using a confocal microscope using either a 532nm or 514nm laser for excitation

Solubility & Handling

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| Storage instructions | +4 °C |
| Handling | Protect from light. |
| Important | This product is for RESEARCH USE ONLY and is not intended for therapeutic or diagnostic use. Not for human or veterinary use |

Chemical Data

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| Chemical name | 2,7-Diamino-9-phenyl-10 (diethylaminopropyl)-phenanthridium iodide methiodide aqueous solution |
| Molecular Weight | 668.39 |
| Molecular Formula | C ₂₇ H ₃₄ I ₂ N ₄ |
| CAS Number | 25535-16-4 |
| PubChem identifier | 104981 |
| SMILES | CC[N+](C)(CC)CCC[N+]1=C2C=C(C=CC2=C3C=CC(=CC3=C1C4=CC=CC=C4)N)N.[I-].[I-] |
| InChiKey | XJMOSONTPMZWPB-UHFFFAOYSA-M |
| MDL number | MFCD00011921 |
| Appearance | Red/pink solution |
| Excitation | 535 nm |
| Emission | 617 nm |

References

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