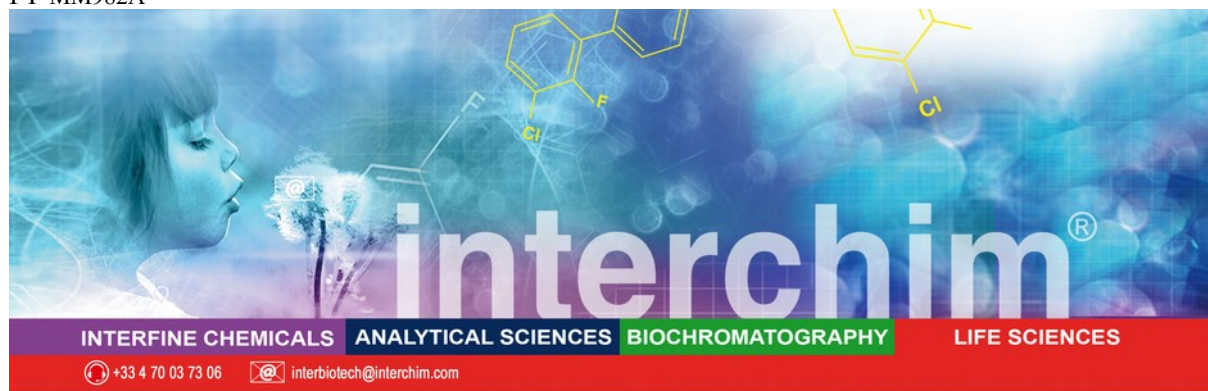


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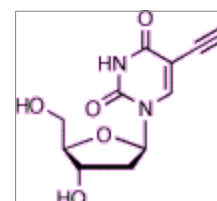


EdU, Cell Proliferation Assay

Cell proliferation assay with "click" chemistry as an alternative to ³H-thymidine and BrdU methods

Product Description

Name :	5-ethynyl-2'-deoxyuridine (EdU)
Catalog Number :	Cell proliferation assay based on click chemistry FP-MM9829, 25 mg FP-MM982B, 100 mg FP-MM982C, 500 mg
Structure :	C ₁₁ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₅
Molecular Weight :	MW= 252,22
CAS No :	61135-33-9
Solubility:	DMSO



Storage: +4°C (long term at -20°C)

Protect from light and moisture

Introduction

Click method is a method for labeling DNA *in vivo* that allow to image the replicated DNA in the context of well preserved cellular and chromatin ultrastructure. 5-ethynyl-2'-deoxyuridine (EdU) is readily incorporated into cellular DNA during DNA replication. The terminal alkyne group is then detected through its reaction with fluorescent azides, in a Cu(I)-catalyzed [3 + 2] cycloaddition ("click" chemistry). This method is highly sensitive and much faster than BrdU detection. In addition, because the reagents are almost 1/500th the size of an antibody molecule, they have a much higher diffusion rate and penetrate the tissue much more effectively, which allows the rapid, whole-mount stain of large tissue and organ fragments. Finally, the reaction between ethynyl groups on DNA and fluorescent azides does not require denaturation of the specimen; this allows good structural preservation (Salic, 2008).

Directions for use

Guidelines for use (Salic, 2008)

- Grow cells on glass coverslips in DMEM supplemented with 10% adapted serum, penicillin, and streptomycin.
- Add EdU to the culture media in concentrations ranging from 10 nM to 10 µM, for durations of time between 1 and 24 h
- After labeling, wash cells two to three times with PBS followed by addition of normal tissue culture media.

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Note: If cells are to be analyzed immediately after labeling, the washes can be omitted. Instead permeabilize and fix cells.

- Fix cells by using a standard formaldehyde fixation protocol. The fixed cells can be stored at 4°C and stained months later without loss of signal.
- After formaldehyde fixation, rinse cells once with TBS (although formaldehyde does not interfere with the detection reaction)
- Stain by incubating for 10–30 min with 100 mM Tris (from 2M stock, pH 8.5), 0.5–1 mM CuSO₄, 1–100 µM fluorescent azide (from 10 to 100 mM stocks in DMSO), and 50–100 mM ascorbic acid (added last to the mix from a 0.5 M stock in water). The staining mix has to be prepared fresh each time and to be used for staining cells immediately after addition of ascorbate.
- After staining, wash the cells on coverslips several times with TBS with 0.5% Triton X-100.
- EdU-stained cells can be immunostained by using standard protocols.
- Counterstained cells with Hoechst or DAPI, mount in standard mounting media and image by fluorescence microscopy. The EdU stain is stable indefinitely at 4°C or lower temperatures. For high-throughput screening, we recommend the protocol from [Ranall M. et al.](#) (2010). Other protocol may be found in the literature.

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