

Glycerol Cell-Based Assay Kit II

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SPECIFICATION

Product Overview

Description

Metabolic diseases such as type II diabetes and fatty liver are becoming more prevalent among an aging population, and are a burden to the healthcare system. Such diseases revolve around the body's ability to control triglyceride (lipid) metabolism. Events such as fasting can lead to cell autophagy, corresponding with removal of lipid droplets. A number of pathologies can lead to steatosis, bringing about triacylglyceride buildup and release of free fatty acids and free glycerol. Glycerol molecules can then be reabsorbed by the liver or kidney and can be metabolized to re-enter the energy store by pathways such as glycolysis and gluconeogenesis. The glycerol concentration can thus be used as a measure of lipid metabolism and fat mobilization. Glycerol Cell-Based Assay Kit provides a simple, sensitive, straightforward assay for determination of glycerol concentrations in various cell and tissue culture samples. The assay uses a glycerol-specific enzymatic reaction to convert the probe into a fluorescent product in the presence of glycerol. Glycerol levels can be detected as low as 50 pmol per well, or 1.0 μ M in culture medium. Chloroquine (included in the kit as a control) induces steatosis and blocks autophagy, thus leading to a buildup of lipid droplets and an increase in the free glycerol concentration.

Applications

The kit can detect 100 pmol of glycerol in mammalian cell cultures.

Storage

-20°C

Shipping

Gel Pack

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Size	100 assays
Kit Components	Glycerol Assay Buffer; Glycerol Probe (in DMSO); Glycerol Enzyme Mix; GlycerolStandard (100 mM); Chloroquine (5 mM)
Detection method	Fluorescence (Ex/Em 535/587 nm)
Features & Benefits	Simple procedure; takes ~ 2 hours; Fast and convenient; The kit provides an accurate assay for measuring free glycerol in cell-based assays

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