Product Data Sheet



Product Name ToLuminate HA Photogel

Catalog Number

PG95-1

Description

The ToLuminate HA Photogel kit provides reagents for setting up cell-compatible hydrogels formed by illumination with blue light (365-405 nm) on the basis of the thiol-ene chemistry. Its major components are norbornene-modified dextran (N-Dextran) and the thiol-modified hyaluronic acid crosslinker HyLink. When the two reagents are combined and illuminated in the presence of LAP (Lithium phenyl-2,4,6-trimethylbenzoylphosphinate) thiol groups on HyLink are activated and form stable thioether bonds with norbornene groups on N-Dextran. The components are mixed at physiological pH (pH 7.2) for optimal cell compatibility. There is ample time to place the pre-gel solution in any culture dish or container, since gelation starts only after illumination. The hydrogel allows cell spreading and migration if cell adhesion peptides are present in the gel.

Cell adhesion peptides (e.g. *3-D Life* RGD Peptide, Cat. No. 09-P-001) can be covalently attached to a portion of the SH-reactive groups on N-Dextran to provide a cell-adhesive matrix.

3-D Life AgaFloat (Cat. No. A10-3) can be added to the pre-gel solution to avoid sedimentation of cells before illumination.

Note: Dextran hydrogels crosslinked with HyLink cannot be dissolved by the addition of dextranase.

For more information and instructions, please consult the General Protocol GP-5 "Preparation of ToLuminate Photogels".

Quantity

Up to 4 mL hydrogel.

Components

N	Material	Quantity	Concentration of reactive groups	Storage
V	N-Dextran	600 µl	30 mmol/L	-20°C to -80°C
O +	HyLink, lyophilized	4x 200 μl*	10 mmol/L* thiol groups	Lyophilisate and after reconstitution: -70°C
\ominus 1	LOx CB (pH 7.2) Phenol Red-free	600 µl	n/a	Short term (≤2 months): 4°C Long term: -20°C to -80°C
L	_AP, 10 mM	600 µl	10 mmol/L	-20°C to -80°C
\bigcirc v	Water	2x 1500 μl	n.a	Room temperature or lower

All materials are filter-sterilized.

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^{*}Volume/concentration after reconstitution of lyophilisate.

Reconstitution HyLink:

- 1. Briefly centrifuge vial containing HyLink lyophilisate to make sure that the entire material is at the bottom of the reaction tube.
- 2. Add 188 μ l *3-D Life* Water per tube for a concentration of 10 mmol/L thiol groups.
- 3. Close tube and briefly vortex.
- 4. Incubate for 60 min at room temperature.
- 5. Briefly vortex and centrifuge again.
- 6. HyLink is now ready for use.

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