

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

CFSE

Catalog Number: 13-0850

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Contents: CFSE

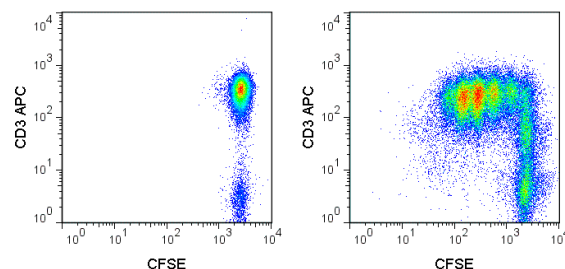
Excitation Laser: Blue (488 nm)

Emission (nm): 521

Use By: 6 months from date of receipt

Storage Conditions: -20°C protected from light and moisture

Formulation: lyophilized (500 ug)



Human peripheral blood mononuclear cells were labeled with CFSE (13-0850) and left unstimulated (left panel) or stimulated for 4 days with Anti-Human CD3 and Anti-Human CD28 (right panel). Plots show intensity of CFSE label vs. staining with APC Anti-Human CD3.

DESCRIPTION

CFSE, also known as 5-(and -6)-Carboxyfluorescein diacetate succinimidyl ester, is a non-fluorescent molecule that easily diffuses across cell membranes. Inside the cell, acetate groups are cleaved by intracellular esterases yielding a fluorescent molecule whose succinimidyl ester group covalently interacts with primary amines of intracellular proteins. CFSE is compatible with standard intracellular staining protocols using aldehyde fixation and saponin-based permeabilization. CFSE is widely used to track cell division and to monitor cell migration *in vivo*. CFSE can be detected using standard fluorescein filter sets by fluorescence microscopy or flow cytometry.

PREPARATION & STORAGE

CFSE is provided as 500 ug of lyophilized powder. CFSE may be reconstituted to a stock concentration of 5 mM with 180 uL of anhydrous DMSO. It is recommended to aliquot smaller volumes and store at -20°C with dessicant and protected from light. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. CFSE has a molecular weight of 557.47 and after cleavage of acetate groups, it has a peak excitation of 494 nm and peak emission of 521 nm.

APPLICATION NOTES

CFSE (5-(and -6)-Carboxyfluorescein diacetate, succinimidyl ester) has been quality-tested for flow cytometry using stimulated human peripheral blood mononuclear cells. CFSE can be used to label cells at concentrations ranging from 0.5-20 uM, depending on the cell type and assay. It is recommended that the investigator determine the optimal concentration of CFSE for the assay of interest. Over-labeling of cells with high concentrations of CFSE can obstruct normal cell functions and interfere with compensation in multicolor experiments.

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CFSE Labeling Protocol

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Other Materials Required

- 1X PBS
- RPMI complete medium (RPMI with 10% FBS, 1% pen/strep, 50 uM 2-ME)

1. Prepare cells as a single cell suspension.
2. Wash cells twice with 1-2 mL 1X PBS to remove serum. Spin at 300-400 x *g* for 5 minutes at room temperature and decant supernatant.
3. Resuspend cells at 1-10 x 10⁶/mL in room temperature 1X PBS.
4. Prepare a working solution of CFSE at 2X the desired final concentration in room temperature 1x PBS (ie: for a final concentration of 5 uM CFSE, prepare a 2X working solution by adding 2 uL of 5mM stock to 1 mL 1X PBS).

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5. Add an equal volume of 2X CFSE working solution to cell preparation.
6. Mix immediately and incubate in the dark for 10-20 minutes at room temperature.
7. Quench the labeling reaction by adding 5 volumes of cold complete media and incubate on ice for 5 minutes, protected from light.
8. Centrifuge the cells at 300-400 x *g* for 5 minutes at room temperature and decant supernatant. Wash cells 2 times with 1-2 mL complete media.
9. CFSE labeled cells are ready for assay.