

# **NBD C6-Ceramide**

## **Cat:** IN3770

**Storage:** Powder: -20°C, 2 years; Insolvent (mother liquid): -20°C, 6 months; -80°C, 1 year (protect from light)

## **Product Introduction**

NBD C6-Ceramide is a fluorescent sphingolipid analog that can be used to study sphingolipid transport and metabolic mechanisms. It can also be used to selectively stain Golgi bodies in living and fixed cells. Applications: Cellular sphingolipid transport and metabolism tracking, Golgi stain.

## **Product Parameter**

Ex/Em: 466/530 nm (in MeOH) CAS: 86701- 10-2 Molecular Formula: C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>6</sub> Molecular Weight: 575.7 Solubility: Soluble in Methanol/DMSO

# **Protocols** (only for reference)

## **Dyeing Solution Preparation**

- Remove the NBD C6-Ceramide stored at low temperature from the refrigerator and let it stand until it returns to room temperature. After centrifugation at low speed, take 1 mg of the lyophilized powder from the 173.7 µL anhydrous DMSO dissolution tube and prepare a 10 mM stock solution. Freeze at -20°C in separate units according to single dosage, avoiding repeated freezing and thawing.
- Preparation of working fluid: Choose a suitable buffer (e.g. serum-free medium, HBSS, HEPES or PBS) and add defatted BSA (to a concentration of 0.34 mg/mL) to prepare a dilution solution. Add a certain volume of NBD C6-Ceramide reservoir solution to the above dilution solution, vortex and shake to make 5-10 µM staining solution.

#### Note:

- a. The final concentration of the working solution is recommended to be optimized according to different cell lines and experimental systems.
- b. If it is found to be difficult to dissolve, it can be properly sonicated to promote dissolution.

## Staining of living cells

- 1. Cells were cultured on sterile coverslips.
- 2. When the cells were cultured to a suitable density, removed the coverslip from the medium and rinsed the coverslip with a suitable buffer (e.g. serum-free medium, HBSS, HEPES or PBS).
- 3. Add 100  $\mu$ L of staining solution (5-10  $\mu$ M) to one corner of the coverslip, shake gently so that the dye evenly covers all the cells, and incubate for 30 min at room temperature.
- 4. Drain the staining solution, wash the coverslips 2~3 times with pre-cooled fresh medium at 4°C, then cover all the cells with fresh medium and incubate at 37°C for 30 min.

5. After washing with fresh medium, observations were made with a microscope.

## Staining of fixed cells

- 1. Cells were cultured on sterile coverslips.
- When the cells were cultured to a suitable density, removed the coverslips from the medium and rinsed the coverslips with a suitable buffer (e.g. serum-free medium, HBSS, HEPES or PBS). Fix the coverslips with 4% paraformaldehyde for 5~10 min at room temperature.
- 3. Add 100  $\mu$ L of staining solution (5-10  $\mu$ M) to one corner of the coverslip, shake gently so that the dye evenly covers all the cells, and incubate for 30 min at room temperature.
- 4. The staining working solution was aspirated, the coverslips were washed with the same buffer, and then incubated with 10% FBS or 2 mg/mL of BSA for 30~90 min at room temperature to enhance Golgi staining.
- 5. After washing with the same buffer, observed with a microscope.

## Note

- 1. Fluorescent dyes are subject to quenching, so please avoid light as much as possible to slow down the fluorescence quenching.
- 2. If Golgi staining is performed on suspended cells, it is recommended that the staining be performed at  $2x10^6$  cells/mL.
- 3. For your safety and health, please wear a lab coat and disposable gloves.

# Spectrogram



# Note: Spectrum of NBD C6-ceramide dissolved in methanol