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Product Information Sheet

BacMam LRRK2 Reagents

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Materials Included

This Product Information Sheet (PIS) covers the following products:

| Product | Catalog number | Amount | Storage | Handling |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--------|---------|--|
| BacMam LRRK2 Reagent | A13388 | 15 mL | 4°C | Do not freeze |
| | | | | Minimize exposure to ambient light |
| BacMam LRRK2 G2019S Reagent | A13389 | | | Use sterile technique |
| BacMam LRRK2 D1994A Reagent | A13390 | | | Aliquot to minimize handling, if necessary |

BacMam Technology Overview

BacMam technology uses a modified baculovirus to efficiently deliver and express genes (in this case, LRRK2) in mammalian cells. The virus is non-replicating in mammalian cells, rendering it safe as a research reagent.

This technology has several advantages over traditional transient methods for heterologous gene expression, including:

- High transduction efficiency across a broad range of cell types, including primary cells, stem cells, and neurons
- Little-to-no observable cytopathic effects
- Reproducible and titratable target gene expression
- Compatibility with simultaneous delivery of multiple genes

Refer to Kost, T.A., et al. Drug Disc Today 2007, 12, 396-403 for examples of BacMam gene expression in cells. For additional information on BacMam, visit www.invitrogen.com/bacmam.

Workflow



Transduction Guidelines

- Virus titration. We recommend testing a range of BacMam reagent dilutions (v/v) to determine the optimal percentage of virus to use with your cell line of interest. As a starting point, test 30%, 20%, 10%, 2%, and 1% (v/v) concentrations of reagent. We also recommend testing each dilution in the presence and absence of 1X BacMam Enhancer Solution (Invitrogen PV5835), which may increase the transduction efficiency for some cell lines, such as CHO.
- Easy-to-transduce cells. For easy-to-transduce cells, such as U-2 OS, HEK293, HeLa, and human mammary epithelial cells, follow . the standard transduction protocol on the next page. Begin with cell cultures grown to near confluency under normal growth conditions (e.g., U-2 OS cells should be grown to 60–90% confluency). Confluency of cells may impact results.
- Difficult-to-transduce cells. For difficult-to-transduce cells, such as human astrocytes and neurons, we recommend using the transduction protocol supplied with the BacMam GFP Transduction Control (Invitrogen B10383). You can download the protocol from http://probes.invitrogen.com/media/pis/mp10383.pdf.
- Seeding and harvest densities. For many cell types, such as U-2 OS, a cell seeding density of ~30,000 cells/cm² for 3 days with a • harvest density of $\sim 0.6 \times 10^5$ to 1.2×10^5 cells/cm² is optimal. In general, cells should be transduced at the maximum density at which the cells are still healthy.

Standard Transduction Protocol

- 1. Harvest cells in growth medium and resuspend in assay medium, using the appropriate conditions for your particular cell line (for U-2OS cells, resuspend at 7 × 10⁵ cells/mL).
- 2. Add BacMam LRRK2 Reagent to the cells. A typical final concentration of BacMam reagent is 1–30% (v/v). Mix gently by inversion.
 - *Note:* We recommend testing a range of dilutions of BacMam Reagent (v/v) as described in the **Transduction Guidelines**. For U-2 OS cells, we recommend preparing 5 three-fold serial dilutions of the BacMam Reagent in assay media. Then mix 1 mL cells at 7×10^5 cells/mL with 0.4 mL of each BacMam Reagent dilution. This should yield a final cell concentration of 5×10^5 cells/mL and final reagent concentrations of ~30%, 10%, 3%, 1%, 0.3%, and 0.1% (v/v).
- 3. Transfer the cells/BacMam reageant mixture to appropriate cell-culture plates (such as 6-well plates or 384-well assay plates).
 - *Note:* You may need to determine the optimal seeding density. For U-2 OS cells, we recommend seeding ~10,000 cells/well (~20 μ L of 5 × 10⁵ cells/mL mixed with BacMam reagent) in a 384-well plate
- 4. Incubate plates for 24–48 hours in a humidified incubator at 37°C/5% CO₂. The incubation time should be optimized for each cell type.



Figure 1. Western blot analysis of BacMam-transduced cells. (A) SHSY5Y or (B) U-2 OS cells were transduced with 10% virus in 6-well plate format for ~48 hours. Cells were harvested and lysed with LanthaScreen[®] Cellular Assay Lysis buffer (Invitrogen A12891). (C) Primary human astrocytes were tranduced with 50% virus for 2.5 hours, media replaced and incubated for 48 hours before lysis.

Technical Support

For additional assistance in using this BacMam Reagent, please contact our technical support team at **drugdiscoverytech@lifetech.com** or 760-602-6500, extension 40266).

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