

(Ac-LEHD)2-R110

Catalog number: 13427

Unit size: 1 mg

Component	Storage	Amount
(Ac-LEHD)2-R110	Freeze (<-15 °C), Minimize light exposure	1 mg

OVERVIEW

Caspase 9 is a member of the CED-3 subfamily of the caspase family of cysteine proteases that play an essential role in the execution phase of apoptosis. These enzymes share a dominant primary specificity for cleaving bonds following aspartic acid residues. "Initiator" caspases (such as caspase 8) activate "effector" caspases, such as caspases 3 and 7. The effector caspases then cleave cellular substrates ultimately leading to the morphological changes of apoptosis. (Ac-LHED)2-R110 is a selective fluorogenic substrate for caspase 9. The caspase 9-induced hydrolysis of (Ac-LHED)2-R110 results in the release of R110 fluorophore that is detected using an excitation wavelength of ~490 nm and an emission wavelength of ~520 nm. The assay can be run in the assay buffer consisting of 50 mM MES, pH 6.5, 10% PEG 8000, 0.1% CHAPS, 5 mM DTT, and 1 mM EDTA.

AT A GLANCE

Important

Following protocol only provides a guideline, and should be modified according to your specific needs.

PREPARATION OF STOCK SOLUTIONS

Unless otherwise noted, all unused stock solutions should be divided into single-use aliquots and stored at -20 $^{\circ}$ C after preparation. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

1. (Ac-LEHD)2-R110 stock solution (10X): Prepare a 10 mM stock solution in DMSO.

PREPARATION OF WORKING SOLUTION

Add 50 μ L of substrate stock solution into 100 μ L of DTT (1M), 400 μ L of EDTA (100 mM), and 10 mL of Tris Buffer (20 mM), pH = 7.4, to prepare a 50 μ M caspase substrate assay solution (2X).

SAMPLE EXPERIMENTAL PROTOCOL

- Mix equal volume of the caspase standards or samples with 2X caspase substrate assay solution, and incubate the solutions at room temperature for at least 1 hour.
- Monitor the fluorescence using a fluorescence microplate reader at Ex/Em = 498/520 nm, or absorbance using an absorbance microplate reader.

EXAMPLE DATA ANALYSIS AND FIGURES

Figure 1. Chemical structure for (Ac-LEHD)2-R110

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