

# Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside

Catalog number: 14030 Unit size: 1 mg

Component	Storage	Amount
Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside	Freeze (< -15 °C), Minimize light exposure	1 mg

### **OVERVIEW**

Xite<sup>TM</sup> Green beta-D-galactopyranoside is a fluorogenic substrate for beta-galactosidase (β-gal). Compared to the existing beta-galactosidase substrates (e.g., the commonly used FDG), it has much better cell permeability. Xite<sup>TM</sup> Green beta-D-galactopyranoside readily enters cells where it gets cleaved by β-gal, producing Xite<sup>TM</sup> Green, a strongly fluorescent product. The strongly fluorescent Xite<sup>TM</sup> Green is well retained in cells, making it easy to be detected with a flow cytometer and fluorescence microscope. Xite<sup>TM</sup> Green beta-D-galactopyranoside provides a simple and sensitive tool to detect beta-galactosidase activity. Xite<sup>TM</sup> Green beta-D-galactopyranoside might be used as a simple tool for measuring cellular senescence in cells since β-gal has been identified as a reliable marker for cellular senescence.

## AT A GLANCE

#### **Protocol summary**

- 1. Treat samples as desired
- Prepare and add Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside working solution to samples
- 3. Incubate samples at 37 °C for 15 to 45 minutes
- Monitor the fluorescence intensity using flow cytometer with 530/30 nm filter (FITC channel) or using fluorescence microscopy with FITC filter set

# KEY PARAMETERS

#### Flow cytometer

Excitation 488 nm laser
Emission 530/30 nm filter
Instrument specification(s) FITC channel

# Fluorescence microscope

Excitation FITC filter set
Emission FITC filter set
Recommended plate Black wall/clear bottom

## PREPARATION OF STOCK SOLUTIONS

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

## Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside stock solution

Add appropriate amount of DMSO into Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside to make 2-5 mM Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside stock solution.

**Note** Store the unused Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside stock solution at -20 °C in single use aliquots.

# PREPARATION OF WORKING SOLUTION

### Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside working solution

Prepare 1-20  $\mu M$  of Xite  $^{TM}$  Green beta-D-galactopyranoside working solution in buffer of your choice.

Note Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside working solution should be used

promptly.

**Note** The concentration of the Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside should be optimized for different cell types and conditions.

#### SAMPLE EXPERIMENTAL PROTOCOL

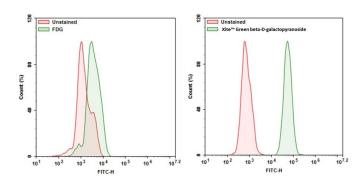
The following protocol can be used as a guideline and should be optimized according to the needs.

- 1. Treat your samples as desired.
- Remove the treatment and wash the cells with buffer of your choice such as DPBS.
- Add Xite™ Green beta-D-galactopyranoside working solution for 15-45 minutes and incubate the samples at 37 °C incubator.

**Note** Optimal time for incubation needs to be determined experimentally.

- Remove the working solution and wash cells with buffer of your choice.
- Resuspend the cells in buffer of your choice and monitor the fluorescence intensity with flow cytometer using 530/30 nm filter (FITC channel) or fluorescence microscope with FITC filter set.

### **EXAMPLE DATA ANALYSIS AND FIGURES**



**Figure 1.** Expression of β-gal was measured with Xite<sup>TM</sup> Green beta-D-galactopyranoside. 9L-LacZ cells (cells that overexpressed β-gal) were incubated with Xite<sup>TM</sup> Green beta-D-galactopyranoside or FDG for 30 mins at 37 °C. The signal was acquired with FITC channel using a NovoCyte Flow Cytometer (ACEA Biosciences).

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