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## **Product Information**

### GolgiTrack™ Green

| Catalog Number | Unit Size |
|----------------|-----------|
| C062           | 250 μg    |

#### Storage upon receipt:

- -20°C
- Protect from light

### **Product Description**

GolgiTrack™ Green is a cell-permeable, non-fixable, green-fluorescent dye that selectively stains Golgi apparatus in live cells. This dye has an excitation and emission maximum of 505/512 nm and can be efficiently excited using a FITC filter.

GolgiTrack™ Green can also be used in sphingolipid transport and metabolism studies.

#### **Experimental Protocols**

# Preparation of GolgiTrack™ Green–BSA Complexes

For staining of living cells, it is efficacious to add GolgiTrack™ Green in the form of complexes with BSA. BSA delivery complexes of GolgiTrack™ Green can be prepared as follows:

- **1.1** Add 364  $\mu$ L of chloroform:ethanol (19:1 v/v) to the tube containing of GolgiTrack<sup>™</sup> Green to make 1 mM solution.
- **1.2** Dispense 50 µL of GolgiTrack™ Green stock solution into a small glass test tube and dry, first under a stream of nitrogen, and then under vacuum for at least 1 hour. Redissolve in 200 µL of absolute ethanol.
- 1.3 Measure 10 mL of serum-free balanced salt solution such as Hanks' buffered salt solution + 10 mM HEPES, pH 7.4 (HBSS/HEPES) into a 50 mL plastic centrifuge tube. Add 3.4 mg (0.34 mg/mL) of defatted BSA.
- **1.4** Agitate the tube containing the 10 mL of the BSA solution on a vortex mixer. Inject the GolgiTrack<sup>™</sup> Green solution in ethanol (200 µL) into the vortex. Store the resulting solution (5 µM GolgiTrack<sup>™</sup> Green + 5 µM BSA) in a plastic tube at -20°C.

# Staining the Golgi Complex in Living Cells with GolgiTrack™ Green

**2.1** Rinse cells grown on glass coverslips in an appropriate medium (such as HBSS/HEPES).

- 2.2 Incubate the cells for 30 minutes at 4°C with 5 µM GolgiTrack™ Green-BSA complex in HBSS/HEPES.
- **2.3** Rinse the sample several times with ice-cold medium and incubate in fresh medium at 37°C for a further 30 minutes.
- **2.4** Wash the sample in fresh medium and examine using a fluorescence microscope. Prominent labeling of the Golgi apparatus and weaker labeling of other intracellular membranes should be seen.

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