

## Handbook

## Hypoxia Probe Solution (LOX-1)

Cat. #	Product Name	Quantity	MW	Storage
LOX-1S	Hypoxia Probe Solution (LOX-1)	2 mM, 100 $\mu$ L	711.87	-20°C, Protection from light
NC-LOX-1S (For Asia)				

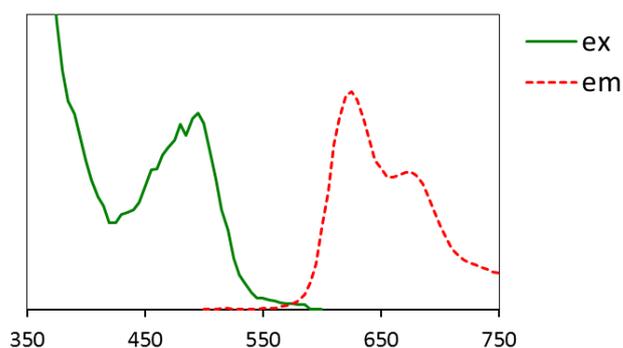
Please refer to expiration date on the label.

**Precautions for use**

Please read all the instructions before use.

**Introduction**

This probe is a phosphorescent light-emitting iridium complex. Phosphorescence of this probe is quenched by oxygen, and it is increased in response to low levels of oxygen which is detectable by a general fluorescent microscopy (red-fluorescence). The signal change is reversible, and this probe easily permeates cell membrane. So, the reagent shows real-time response according to oxygen levels in living cells. This probe can be used to observe hypoxia condition inside spheroid and detect subcutaneous xenograft tumors in small animals.

**Spectral Characteristics**

Absorption spectrum is given in green and phosphorescence in red. Absorption and phosphorescence are peaked at 483 and 616 nm, respectively<sup>1</sup>.

**Example of use for Hypoxia Probe Solution**

1. Hypoxia Probe Solution (LOX-1) is stored at -20°C except for use.
2. Hypoxia Probe Solution is diluted with culture medium to prepare 20  $\mu$ mol/L working solution just before use (100 times dilution).
3. Add 10  $\mu$ L-aliqouts of the working solution into 100  $\mu$ L culture medium gently (final concentration of the probe is 2  $\mu$ mol/L).

4. After incubation for one day, red-phosphorescence is observed with a general fluorescent microscopy with the standard TRITC filter set (for example G-2A filter block: Ex 510-560, DM575, BA590).

**Note:** Incubation time depends on your sample. For monolayer cells, incubation time may be enough 0.5 hrs. For spheroids, it may be 8-12 hrs.

**Note:** We recommend using FITC excitation and Texas Red<sup>®</sup> emission filters for best results.

## Reference

1. Zhang S, Hosaka M, Yoshihara T, Negishi K, Iida Y, Tobita S, Takeuchi T. Phosphorescent Light-Emitting Iridium Complexes Serve as a Hypoxia-Sensing Probe for Tumor Imaging in Living Animals. *Cancer Res.* 2010 Jun 1;70(11):4490-8.

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