

# OG488 BAPTA-1, AM [equivalent to Oregon Green® 488 BAPTA-1, AM] \*Cell permeant\*

Catalog number: 20507 Unit size: 10x50 ug

Component	ISTORAGE	Amount (Cat No. 20507)
	Freeze (< -15 °C), Minimize light exposure	10x50 ug

#### **OVERVIEW**

OG488 BAPTA -1 AM is the same molecule of Oregon Green 488 BAPTA-1 AM ester. It is a cell-permeable and visible light-excitable calcium indicator that is often used with FITC filter set. Cells may be loaded with OG488 BAPTA -1 AM by adding the dissolved indicator directly to dishes containing cultured cells. The fluorescence signal from these cells is generally measured using fluorescence microscopy, fluorescence microplate assays, or flow cytometry.

#### **KEY PARAMETERS**

#### Flow cytometer

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

### Fluorescence microscope

Emission FITC filter set Excitation FITC filter set

Recommended plate Black wall/clear bottom

#### Fluorescence microplate reader

Cutoff 515 Emission 525 Excitation 490

Recommended plate Black wall/clear bottom

Instrument Bottom read mode/Programmable liquid

specification(s) handling

#### 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

## **OG488 BAPTA-1 AM Stock Solution**

1. Prepare a 2 to 5 mM stock solution of OG488 BAPTA-1 AM in high-quality, anhydrous DMSO.

## PREPARATION OF WORKING SOLUTION

### **OG488 BAPTA-1 AM Working Solution**

- On the day of the experiment, either dissolve OG488 BAPTA-1 AM in DMSO or thaw an aliquot of the indicator stock solution to room temperature.
- 2. Prepare a 2 to 20 μM OG488 BAPTA-1 AM working solution in a buffer of your choice (e.g., Hanks and Hepes buffer) with 0.04%

final concentration of 4-5  $\mu$ M is recommended. The exact concentration of indicators required for cell loading must be determined empirically.

**Note:** The nonionic detergent Pluronic® F-127 is sometimes used to increase the aqueous solubility of OG488 BAPTA-1 AM. A variety of Pluronic® F-127 solutions can be purchased from AAT Bioquest.

Note: If your cells contain organic anion-transporters, probenecid (1-2 mM) may be added to the dye working solution (final in well concentration will be 0.5-1 mM) to reduce leakage of the de-esterified indicators. A variety of ReadiUse™ Probenecid products, including water-soluble, sodium salt, and stabilized solutions, can be purchased from AAT Bioquest.

#### SAMPLE EXPERIMENTAL PROTOCOL

Following is our recommended protocol for loading AM esters into live cells. This protocol only provides a guideline and should be modified according to your specific needs.

- 1. Prepare cells in growth medium overnight.
- 2. On the next day, add 1X OG488 BAPTA-1 AM working solution to your cell plate.

**Note:** If your compound(s) interfere with the serum, replace the growth medium with fresh HHBS buffer before dye-loading.

3. Incubate the dye-loaded plate in a cell incubator at 37 °C for 30 to 60 minutes.

**Note:** Incubating the dye for longer than 1 hour can improve signal intensities in certain cell lines.

- Replace the dye working solution with HHBS or buffer of your choice (containing an anion transporter inhibitor, such as 1 mM probenecid, if applicable) to remove any excess probes.
- Add the stimulant as desired and simultaneously measure fluorescence using either a fluorescence microscope equipped with a FITC filter set or a fluorescence plate reader containing a programmable liquid handling system such as an FDSS, FLIPR, or FlexStation, at Ex/Em = 490/525 nm cutoff 515 nm.

## **EXAMPLE DATA ANALYSIS AND FIGURES**

**Figure 1.** Chemical structure for OG488 BAPTA-1, AM [equivalent to Oregon Green® 488 BAPTA-1, AM] \*Cell permeant\*

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