



Next Generation Fluorescence Imaging

Smart Sensor Solutions

General Information

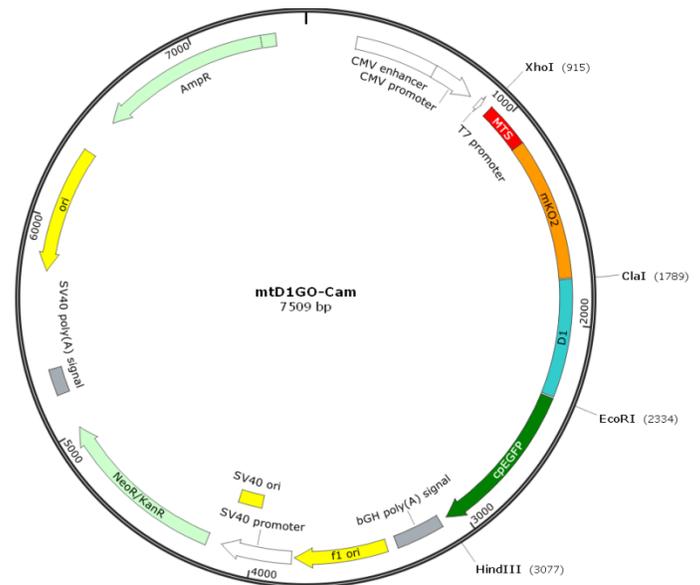
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mtD1GO-Cam vector

This vector has not been completely sequenced. All provided information regarding the vector composition was compiled using the information from published literature, other sources together with partial sequences obtained by NGFI.

Vector description

mtD1GO-Cam is a genetically encoded FRET-based probe for imaging Ca^{2+} within the mitochondrial matrix of intact mammalian cells. In order to express mtD1GO-Cam in cells of interest, 20 μg of purified endotoxin-free plasmid DNA coding for mtD1GO-Cam is provided. The plasmid coding for mtD1GO-Cam represents a mammalian expression vector with a strong viral promoter. For plasmid amplification in E.coli ampicillin should be used. 1 – 1.5 μg DNA is required for cell transfection in a single well of a standard 6-well dish following standard transfection procedures. Usually cells express high amounts of mtD1GO-Cam 24 – 48 hours after cell transfection. Standard optical filters for GFP/OFP or alternatively GFP/RFP FRET imaging should be used. The vector can be also used as a source of mtD1GO-Cam coding sequence. Flanking restriction sites are convenient for excision of mtD1GO-Cam sequence and its further insertion into other expression vectors of choice.



Expression in mammalian cells

mtD1GO-Cam vector can be transfected into mammalian cells by any known transfection method. CMV promoter provides strong, constitutive mtD1GO-Cam expression in eukaryotic cells.

Propagation in E. coli

Suitable host strains for propagation in E. coli include DH5alpha, HB101, XL1-Blue, and other general purpose strains. The vector confers resistance to ampicillin (100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$) to E. coli hosts.

Note: The higher excitation wavelength of red-shifted cameleons ($\sim 480 \text{ nm}$) allows a combination with UV-excitable chemical indicators such as fura-2 for simultaneous real-time imaging of Ca^{2+} dynamic within cell organelles and the cytosol in a ratiometric manner.

References

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