

# Poly(dG:dC) naked

Synthetic double-stranded DNA; a CDS ligand

Catalog code: tlrl-pgcn

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## PRODUCT INFORMATION

### Contents

- 200 µg Poly(dG:dC)
- 1.5 ml sterile endotoxin-free physiological water (150 mM NaCl)

### Storage and stability

- Poly(dG:dC) is provided lyophilized and shipped at room temperature. Store lyophilized product at -20 °C. Lyophilized product is stable for 12 months when properly stored.
- Upon resuspension, prepare aliquots and store at -20 °C. Resuspended product is stable for 12 months when properly stored. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

### Quality control

- The ability of intracellular Poly(dG:dC) to induce type I interferon (IFN) has been verified using cellular assays.
- The absence of bacterial contamination (e.g. lipoproteins and endotoxins) has been confirmed using HEK-Blue™ TLR2 and HEK-Blue™ TLR4 cells.

## DESCRIPTION

Poly(deoxyguanylic-deoxycytidylic) acid (Poly(dG:dC)) is a synthetic repetitive double-stranded DNA (dsDNA). Intracellular poly(dG:dC) is detected by several cytosolic DNA sensors (CDS), such as cGAS<sup>1</sup>, DAI<sup>2</sup>, DDX41<sup>2,3</sup>, IFI16<sup>2,3</sup> and LRRFIP1<sup>2,4</sup>, triggering the production of type I interferons (IFNs). This induction of IFN appears to be mediated by the endoplasmic reticulum protein STING<sup>1,3,5</sup>.

Moreover, Poly(dG:dC) activates the cytosolic DNA sensor AIM2 (absent in melanoma 2) to trigger inflammasome formation, leading to the secretion of the pro-inflammatory cytokines IL-1β and IL-18<sup>6</sup>.

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## CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

CAS number: 90385-88-9

Solubility: Physiological water (2 mg/ml)

Synonym: Poly(deoxyguanylic-deoxycytidylic) acid sodium salt

Working concentrations: 10 ng/ml to 1 µg/ml

## METHODS

### Preparation of stock solution (1 mg/ml)

- Add 200 µl of sterile endotoxin-free physiological water (provided) to 200 µg of poly(dG:dC).
- Vortex until completely dissolved.

### Preparation of poly(dG:dC)/cationic lipid complex

- To facilitate its intracellular delivery, poly(dG:dC) should be complexed with a cationic lipid transfection agent, such as **LyoVec™**. A protocol for the preparation of a poly(dG:dC)/LyoVec™ complex is given below:
- Rehydrate poly(dG:dC) as described above. Rehydrate **LyoVec™** as described on its technical data sheet. Bring poly(dG:dC) and **LyoVec™** to room temperature before use.
  - In a sterile 1.5 ml microfuge tube, mix 1 µg of poly(dG:dC) with 100 µl of **LyoVec™**. Homogenize gently.
  - Incubate at room temperature for 15 minutes to allow the formation of the complex.

### Induction of type I IFNs

Induction of type I IFNs with poly(dG:dC) can be studied in a variety of cells including the monocytic cell line THP1-Blue™ ISG cells. These cells derive from the human THP-1 monocyte cell line by stable integration of an IFN regulatory factor (IRF)-inducible secreted embryonic alkaline phosphatase (SEAP) reporter construct. Levels of SEAP can be easily determined using a SEAP detection medium, such as **QUANTI-Blue™ Solution**.

For more information: <https://www.invivogen.com/thp1-blue-isg>.

1. Prepare poly(dG:dC)/cationic lipid complex as described above.
2. Dispense 20 µl of the poly(dG:dC)/cationic lipid complex (final concentration 10 ng/ml to 1 µg/ml) per well of a 96-well plate.
3. Prepare a cell suspension of THP1-Blue™ ISG cells according to the data sheet and add 180 µl of the cell suspension per well.
4. Incubate the plate for 6-24 h at 37°C, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>.
5. Add 20 µl of supernatant per well into a flat-bottom 96-well plate.
6. Dispense 180 µl of **QUANTI-Blue™ Solution** per well.
7. Incubate the plate at 37°C for 1-3 h.
8. Determine SEAP levels using a spectrophotometer at 620-655 nm.

## RELATED PRODUCTS

Product	Catalog Code
Poly(dA:dT)/LyoVec™	tlrl-patc
Poly(dA:dT) naked	tlrl-patn
Poly(dG:dC)/LyoVec™	tlrl-pgcc
LyoVec™	lyec-1
QUANTI-Blue™ Solution	rep-qbs
THP1-Blue™ ISG cells	thp-isg

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