

### **PRODUCT INSERT**

Instrument Compatibility: Cellaca® PLX

# Cellaca® PLX, Hoechst / RubyDead Viability Kit

Part number: CSK-A0030-1 CSK-A0030-2
Test number: 25 Tests 100 Tests

Storage: 4°C

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#### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1. Description

Fluorescent proteins stained with viability dyes are designed for researchers interested in acquiring data on protein expression and viability, as each cell line derived sample can be unique. The Cellaca® PLX provides users with fluorescent and bright field images of their GFP or RFP cells, as well as dead (RubyDead) and total (Hoechst) dye stained cells. Data can be automatically exported from PLX Matrix software into FCS Express software templates with preset gates for rapid data analysis.

#### 1.2. Kit contents

This kit assesses the viability of either GFP or RFP expressing cells on the Cellaca® PLX. For viability, dead cells are identified using the RubyDead dye, while total cells are stained with Hoechst. See table below for kit components.

Cellaca® PLX Assay	Reagents	Catalog Number	Number of Tests
PLX.5_FL ProteinsGFP + Hoechst + RubyDead	RubyDead Dye (Component A)	CSK-A0030-1	25
PLX.5_FL ProteinsRFP + Hoechst + RubyDead	Hoechst 33342 (Component B)	CSK-A0030-2	100

#### 1.3. Required Materials

- Cellaca® PLX image cytometer (Revvity)
- Revvity-provided Laptop with Matrix 5.0 Software or above (pre-installed)
- FCS Express software (pre-installed on Revvity-provided laptop) with dongle/license
- Counting Plate (Cat. # CHM24-A100 or CHM24-B100) <u>OR</u> Cellaca® PLX Low Fluorescence Slides (Cat. # CHM2-ACR)
- Cellaca® PLX slide holder (if using slides)
- Reagents provided in kit CSK-A0030
- Microcentrifuge tubes
- Cell culture media
- 1X Phosphate Buffered Saline (PBS)
- RFP or GFP Cells

#### 2. Staining Procedure for GFP or RFP cells with Hoechst and RubyDead

Cellaca® PLX Assay	Reagents	Catalog Number	Number of Tests
PLX.5_FL ProteinsGFP + Hoechst + RubyDead	RubyDead Dye (Component A)	CSK-A0030-1	25
PLX.5_FL ProteinsRFP + Hoechst + RubyDead	Hoechst 33342 (Component B)	CSK-A0030-2	100

- 1. For a single sample, prepare a microcentrifuge tube with  $1 \times 10^6$  GFP or RFP cells
  - **NOTE 1**: For  $1 \times 10^6$  cells, take  $1 \text{ mL of } 1 \times 10^6$  cells/mL

**NOTE 2**: For multiple samples, prepare corresponding tubes

- 2. Centrifuge cells at 1200 rpm for 5 minutes
- 3. Remove supernatant from each tube avoiding cell pellets
- **4.** Resuspend each cell pellet in 100 μL of cell culture media
- **5.** Dilute RubyDead Dye by adding 1 μL of **RubyDead Dye** (Component A) to 1 μL DMSO **NOTE 1**: 1:2 dilution for 100X working stock

**NOTE 2**: If staining 2-4 samples, prepare additional RubyDead Dye, according to the table below

	2 samples	3 samples	4 samples
RubyDead Dye (Component A)	1.5 μL	2 μL	2.5 μL
DMSO	1.5 μL	2 μL	2.5 μL

- **6.** Dilute Hoechst 33342 by adding 1  $\mu$ L of **Hoechst 33342** (Component B) to 19  $\mu$ L 1X PBS **NOTE**: 1:20 dilution for 1 mM working stock
- 7. For staining cells in each tube, add the following, and mix well:
  - 1 μL of RubyDead Dye working stock (diluted from step 5)
  - 1 μL of Hoechst working stock (diluted from step 6)

**NOTE**: If testing 2-4 samples, we recommend creating a master mix, according to the table below. After adding all components to form the master mix, add 2  $\mu$ L of the master mix stain to each tube with cells and mix well.

	2 samples	3 samples	4 samples
RubyDead Dye working stock (Diluted from step 5)	2.2 μL	3.3 μL	4.4 μL
Hoechst working stock (Diluted from step 6)	2.2 μL	3.3 μL	4.4 μL

- 8. Incubate tube(s) in the dark for 15 minutes at room temperature (25 °C)
- **9.** Mix samples thoroughly by pipetting up and down a few times

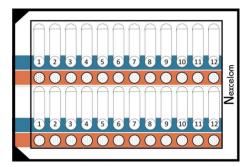
- **10.** Load samples into consumable
  - For Counting Plates, load 50 μL of each sample into a loading well
  - For Low Fluorescence Slides, load 15 μL of each sample into one side of the slide

**NOTE**: For additional samples or replicates from the same sample, load subsequent windows in slides

**11.** If using slides, place into slide holder, with A at the top, as shown in the diagram

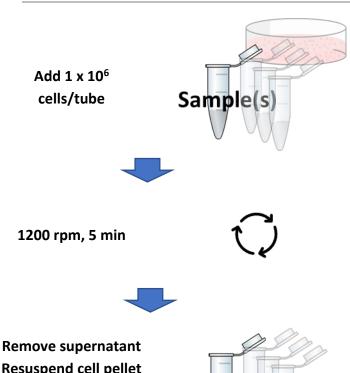
**NOTE**: Notched edge of the slide holder is the top left

**12.** For slides or plates, proceed to section 4 for image and data acquisition





#### 3. Expert User Quick Guide - GFP or RFP cells with Hoechst and RubyDead



- \* Dilute **Hoechst** 1:20 in 1X PBS
- \* Dilute RubyDead 1:2 in DMSO
- \* For each tube:

	Samples			
	1	2	3	4
RubyDead	1 μL	2.2 μL	3.3 μL	4.4 μL
Hoechst	1 μL	2.2 μL	3.3 μL	4.4 μL

Add 2  $\mu$ L of the master mix to each tube

Resuspend cell pellet in 100 µL of cell culture media Add reagents\*





Incubate RT, 15 min







Load samples into plates or slides and image on Cellaca® PLX





#### 4.1. Initiate software and load samples

- 4.1.1. Start the **Matrix** software by double-clicking the icon on the desktop of the operating computer
- 4.1.2. Software will direct you to the **Acquire, Setup** tab by default
- 4.1.3. Click **Eject** to open the instrument stage **NOTE**: Button located at the top of the Acquire
  tab
- 4.1.4. Place the counting plate or the slide holder containing slide(s) into the ejected stage

  NOTE: Align the notched edge of the counting plate or slide holder in the upper left corner
- 4.1.5. Click the **Load** button to retract the instrument stage



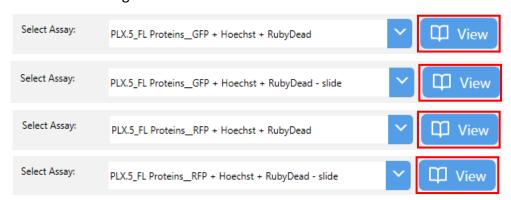






#### 4.2. Assay Selection

- 4.2.1. In Setup Details, type in a Plate Name
- 4.2.2. **Select Assay** from the dropdown according to the cell line (GFP or RFP) and consumable being used



4.2.3. To edit or review assay settings, click the blue **View** tab to the right of the assay selection

**NOTE**: See Assay Settings, Cell Type Parameters, and Auto Export Data and Images sections in the Appendix for detailed information regarding assay, cell parameters, and report/export information, respectively

#### 4.3. Well Details and Assign Well Names

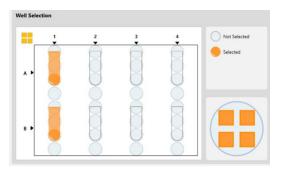
- 4.3.1. In Well Details:
  - 4.3.1.1. Select the **Plate Type** from the dropdown according to the consumable being used
- 4.3.2. In Well Selection, select the well(s) to be imaged

NOTE 1: Selected samples will turn orange.

NOTE 2: To select or clear multiple wells, click a well and hold/drag your mouse to encompass other wells. To select or clear all wells, click the button

- 4.3.3. To assign **Well Names**, click the downward facing arrow
  - 4.3.3.1. Type in the names of the well(s) / sample(s)

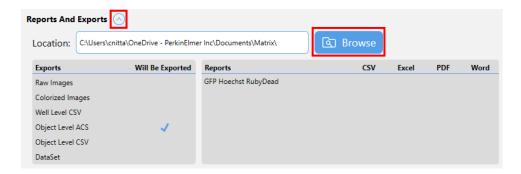






#### 4.4. Reports and Exports

- 4.4.1. Click the downward facing arrow to open the reports and exports details
- 4.4.2. In **Location**, click on the browse button to select or create an export location. **NOTE**: Images and data selected to be exported will have a blue checkmark



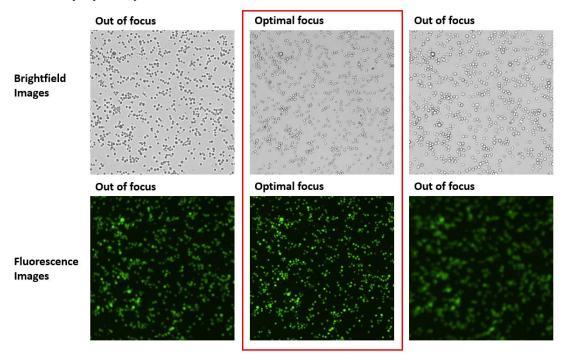
#### 4.5. Preview Samples

- 4.5.1. Click the **Preview** button to view the sample
- 4.5.2. In **Focus**, click **Auto Focus** to focus the sample in Brightfield for Channel 1





**NOTE**: If needed, manual focusing can be done using **double arrows** for coarse and **single arrow** for fine adjustments



- 4.5.3. Once the sample is focused, click the **FL** button to preview the Channel 1 fluorescence
  - 4.5.3.1. Adjust exposure times as needed

    NOTE: See Recommended GFP/RFP and Viability Dyes Exposure Times and Filter Pairs in the Appendix



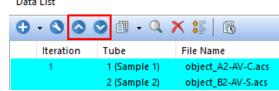
- 4.5.4. Select subsequent fluorescence channels using the **Preview** dropdown menu
- 4.5.5. Click the **FL** button to preview the fluorescence in each channel and adjust exposure times as needed
- 4.5.6. Click the **Count** button when ready to acquire and analyze samples

#### 4.6. FCS Express

Count

- 4.6.1. FCS Express will automatically initialize and populate with data generated from this scan

  Data List
- 4.6.2. In the **Data List**, you can adjust the order of where your sample data appears in the template by using the up and down arrows to move them to the correct location



#### 5. Additional Resources

#### 5.1. Storage / Safety

Store each product at 4 °C, protected from light. Please consult the Safety Data Sheet for more safety information, found on <a href="https://www.revvity.com/cellcountingreagents">www.revvity.com/cellcountingreagents</a>.

#### 5.2. Warranty

This product is for RESEARCH USE ONLY and is not approved for diagnostic or therapeutic use. Product is warranted to meet the specifications outlined in the Certificate of Analysis when stored and used according to the manufacturer's instructions. No other warranty, expressed or implied (such as merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, or non-infringement), is granted. Warranty is valid until the expiration date stated on the product label.

Warranty will be void if product is stored incorrectly, the recommended protocol is not followed, or the product is used for a different application.

#### 5.3. Ordering Information / Support

When ordering with a Purchase Order:

E-mail a copy of the order to <a href="mailto:Cellc-sales@revvity.com">Cellc-sales@revvity.com</a>

For online orders, please visit:

https://www.revvity.com/cellcountingreagents

For support, e-mail **Cellc-support@revvity.com** 

#### 6. Appendix

#### 6.1. Assay Settings

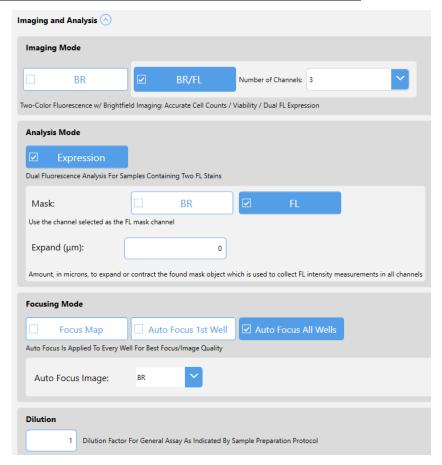
6.1.1. To edit or review assay settings, click the **View** button next to the selected assay, according to the "Plate type" being used



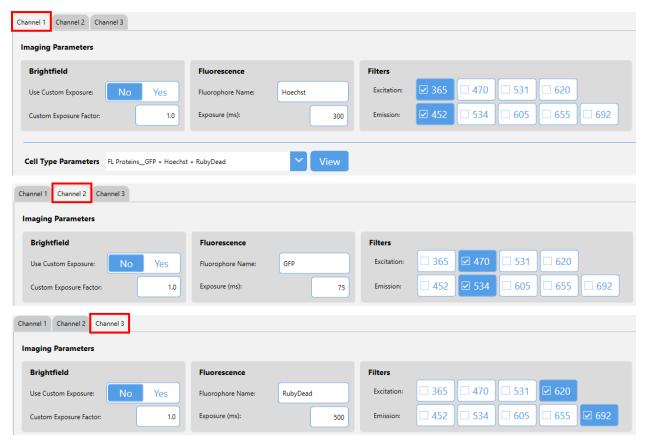
6.1.2. Click the downward facing arrow in **Imaging and**Analysis to edit or review settings



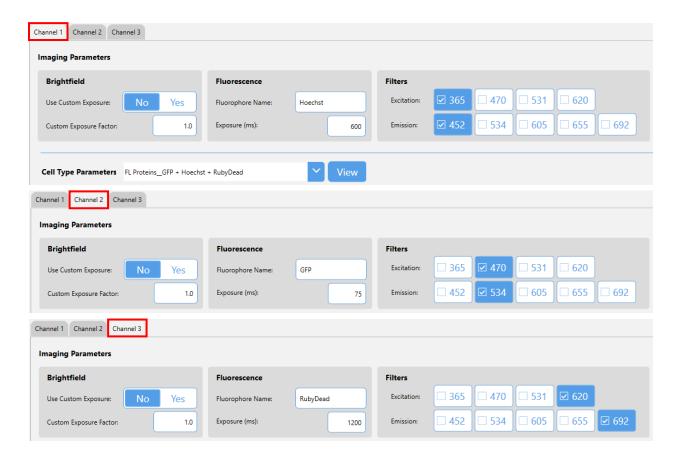
**NOTE**: Below are the default assay settings for the Cellaca® PLX, Hoechst / RubyDead Viability Kit when using the CHM24-A100, CHM24-B100, or CHM2-ACR consumables



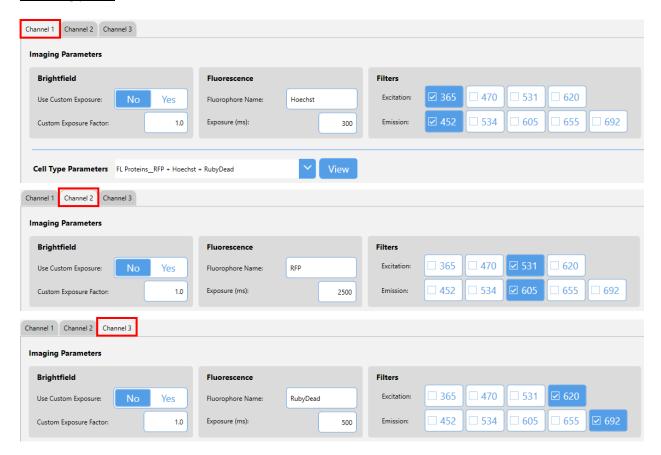
**NOTE**: Below are the default Imaging Parameters for each channel in the Cellaca® PLX, Hoechst / RubyDead Viability Kit with GFP cells when using the <u>CHM24-A100 or CHM24-B100 consumable</u> (counting plate)



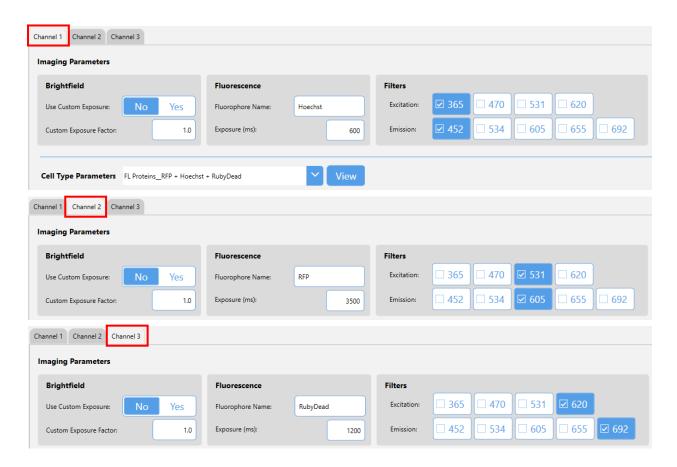
**NOTE**: Below are the default Imaging Parameters for each channel in the Cellaca® PLX, Hoechst / RubyDead Viability Kit with GFP cells when using the CHM2-ACR consumable (low fluorescence slide)



**NOTE**: Below are the default Imaging Parameters for each channel in the Cellaca® PLX, Hoechst / RubyDead Viability Kit with RFP cells when using the <u>CHM24-A100 or CHM24-B100 consumable</u> (counting plate)

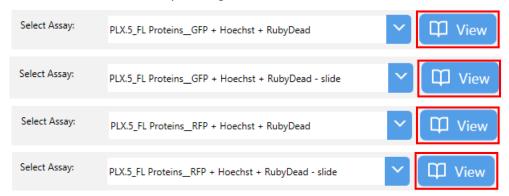


**NOTE**: Below are the default Imaging Parameters for each channel in the Cellaca® PLX, Hoechst / RubyDead Viability Kit with RFP cells when using the CHM2-ACR consumable (low fluorescence slide)



#### 6.2. Cell Type Parameters

6.2.1 To edit or review assay settings, click the **View** button next to the selected assay



6.2.2 Click the downward facing arrow in **Imaging and Analysis** to edit or review settings

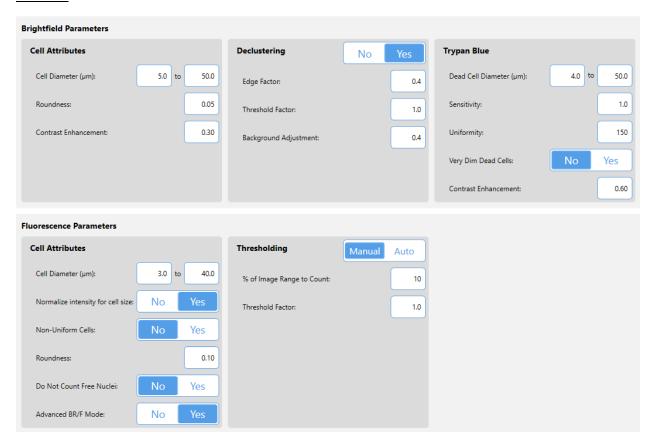


- 6.2.3 In Imaging Parameters, ensure Channel 1 is selected to view Cell Type Parameters
- 6.2.4 Ensure that the Cell Type Parameter selected corresponds to the kit being used

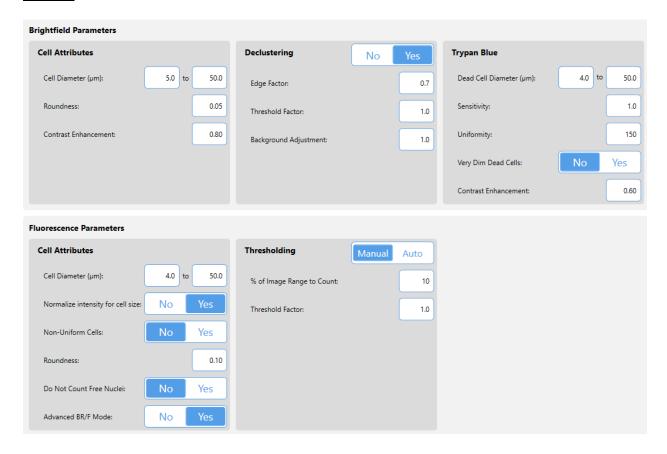


6.2.5 To edit or review Cell Type Parameters, click the **View** button

## **NOTE**: Below are the default Cell Parameters for the Cellaca® PLX, Hoechst / RubyDead Viability Kit with GFP cells



**NOTE**: Below are the default Cell Parameters for the Cellaca® PLX, Hoechst / RubyDead Viability Kit with RFP cells



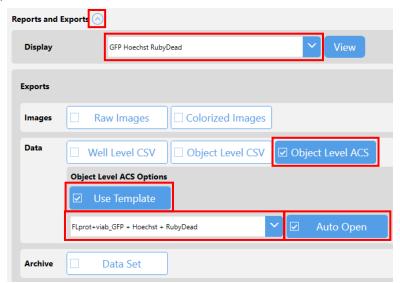
#### 6.3. Auto Export Data and Images

6.3.1 To edit or review assay settings, click the View button next to the selected assay



6.3.2 Click the downward facing arrow in **Reports and Exports** to edit or review settings

6.3.3 In **Display**, ensure the correct display is selected according to the cell line being used



- 6.3.4 In **Exports**, select what you would like to be automatically exported after each scan when using this assay
  - 6.3.4.1 For automatic export to FCS Express for viability analysis, select **Object Level ACS**, ensure **Use Template** is selected, and that the appropriate Template is selected, with the **Auto Open** button selected

#### 6.4. Recommended GFP/RFP and Viability Dyes Exposure Times and Filter Pairs

Recommended imaging parameters and exposure times (with ranges) for Hoechst, GFP or RFP, and RubyDead on Cellaca® PLX. Exposure times may require optimization due to the individuality of each cell line.

#### With GFP cells when using the CHM24-A100 or CHM24-B100 consumable (counting plate)

Cellaca® PLX Excitation / Emission	Illumination	Reagent	Assay Default Exposure Time (ms) (Recommended range)
365 / 452	Blue	Hoechst 33342	<b>300</b> (250 – 600)
470 / 534	Green	GFP	<b>75</b> (50 – 150)
620 / 692	Far Red	RubyDead	<b>500</b> (400 – 800)

#### With GFP cells when using the CHM2-ACR consumable (Low fluorescence slide)

Cellaca® PLX Excitation / Emission	Illumination	Reagent	Assay Default Exposure Time (ms) (Recommended range)
365 / 452	Blue	Hoechst 33342	<b>600</b> (400 – 800)
470 / 534	Green	GFP	<b>75</b> (50 – 150)
620 / 692	Far Red	RubyDead	<b>1,200</b> (1,000 – 1,500)

#### With RFP cells when using the CHM24-A100 or CHM24-B100 consumable (counting plate)

Cellaca® PLX Excitation / Emission	Illumination	Reagent	Assay Default Exposure Time (ms) (Recommended range)
365 / 452	Blue	Hoechst 33342	<b>300</b> (250 – 600)
531 / 605	Orange	RFP	<b>2,500</b> (2,000 – 3,500)
620 / 692	Far Red	RubyDead	<b>500</b> (400 – 800)



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