**pLVX-EF1α-IRES-ZsGreen1 Vector**

**Description**
pLVX-EF1α-IRES-ZsGreen1 is a bicistronic lentiviral expression vector that can be used to generate high-titer lentivirus for transducing virtually any dividing or nondividing mammalian cell type, including primary and stem cells. The vector contains an internal ribosomal entry site (IRES) that allows a gene-of-interest and the ZsGreen1 fluorescent protein to be simultaneously coexpressed from a single mRNA transcript. Expression of the transcript is driven by the human elongation factor 1 alpha (EF1α) promoter, which continues to be constitutively active even after stable integration of the vector into the host cell genome. Stable expression of the transcript allows the monitoring of a variety of cellular processes (such as differentiation in primary or stem cells) without the transgene silencing associated with CMV promoters. In addition, the vector allows efficient flow cytometric detection of stably or transiently transfected mammalian cells expressing ZsGreen1 and a protein of interest, without time-consuming drug and clonal selection.

**Package Contents**
- 1 tube pLVX-EF1α-IRES-ZsGreen1 Vector (20 µl/tube)

**Storage Conditions**
- Store plasmids at –20°C.
- Spin briefly to recover contents.
- Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.

**Shelf Life**
- 1 year from date of receipt under proper storage conditions.

**Storage Buffer**
- 10 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0), 1 mM EDTA (pH 8.0)

**Concentration**
- 500 ng/µl

**Shipping Conditions**
- Dry ice (–70°C)

**Product Documents**
Documents for our products are available for download at [takarabio.com/manuals](http://takarabio.com/manuals)
The following documents apply to this product:

- pLVX-EF1alpha-IRES-ZsGreen1 Vector Information
Propagation in *E. coli*
- Suitable host strains: DH5α and other general purpose strains
- Selectable marker: plasmid confers resistance to ampicillin (100 μg/ml) in *E. coli* hosts
- *E. coli* replication origin: pUC
- Copy number: high

Excitation and Emission Maxima of ZsGreen1
- Excitation: 493 nm
- Emission: 505 nm

Additional Information

pLVX-EF1α-IRES2-ZsGreen1 can be used to quickly identify cells expressing a gene of interest by screening for ZsGreen1 fluorescence. Genes inserted into the MCS must contain a start codon (ATG) and a stop codon.

Before the vector can be transduced into target cells, it must be packaged into viral particles in HEK293T cells, using our Lenti-X HTX Packaging System (Cat.Nos. 631247 and 631249). This packaging system allows the safe production of high titer, infectious, replication-incompetent, VSV-G pseudotyped lentiviral particles that can infect a wide range of cell types, including nondividing and primary cells.

**Caution!** The viral supernatants produced by this lentiviral vector could contain potentially hazardous recombinant virus. Due caution must be exercised in the production and handling of recombinant lentivirus. Appropriate NIH, regional, and institutional guidelines apply.

Quality Control Data

Plasmid Identity & Purity
- Digestion with the indicated restriction enzymes produced fragments of the indicated sizes on a 0.8% agarose/EtBr gel:

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<td>Acc65I</td>
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- Vector identity was confirmed by sequencing.
- \( A_{260}/A_{280} \): 1.8–2.0

It is certified that this product meets the above specifications, as reviewed and approved by the Quality Department.
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