

ioSensory Neurons™

Highly pure human
iPSC-derived sensory
neurons with a defined
nociceptor identity

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About the cells

ioSensory Neurons are precision reprogrammed using opti-ox™ technology, meaning consistency is built-in. Within 7 days post-revival, ioSensory Neurons form a highly pure (>99%) sensory neuronal population with a defined nociceptor identity, characterised by the expression of the pan-sensory neuron markers, PRPH, BRN3A, ISL1 and TUBB3, and key markers of nociceptors, NTRK1 and TRPV1.

These cells display spontaneous activity and show a functional nociceptor phenotype, as demonstrated by responsiveness to selective agonists for TRPV1, TRPM3, and TRPM8. ioSensory Neurons are a highly pure, easy to use and functional in vitro nociceptor model, enabling reliable chronic nociceptive pain research and therapeutics development for peripheral neuropathies.

Benchtop benefits



HIGHLY PURE

>99% pure sensory neurons with a defined nociceptor identity by day 7 post-revival, as confirmed by single cell RNA sequencing.



FUNCTIONAL

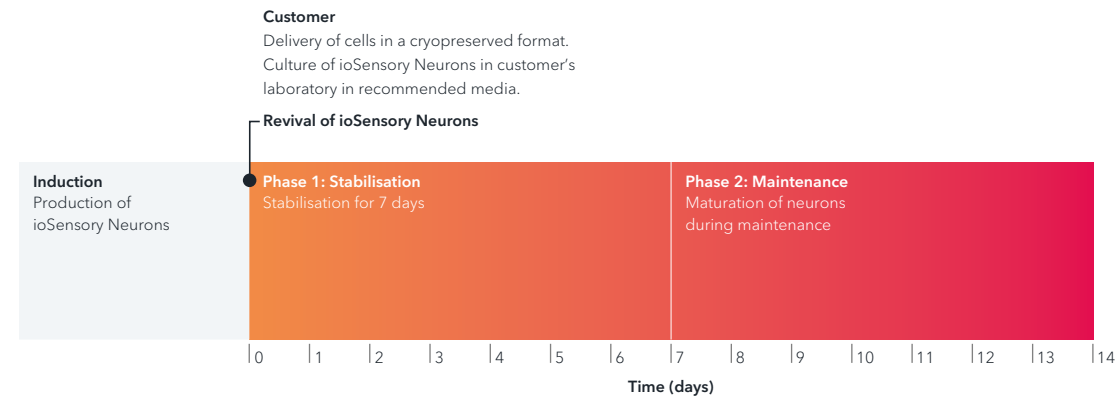
ioSensory Neurons display spontaneous activity and a functional nociceptor phenotype, as shown by calcium mobilisation in response to specific TRP agonists.



EASY TO USE

Cryopreserved cells arrive, programmed to mature rapidly upon revival. Simple two-step protocol using one medium - no mitomycin C treatment is necessary.

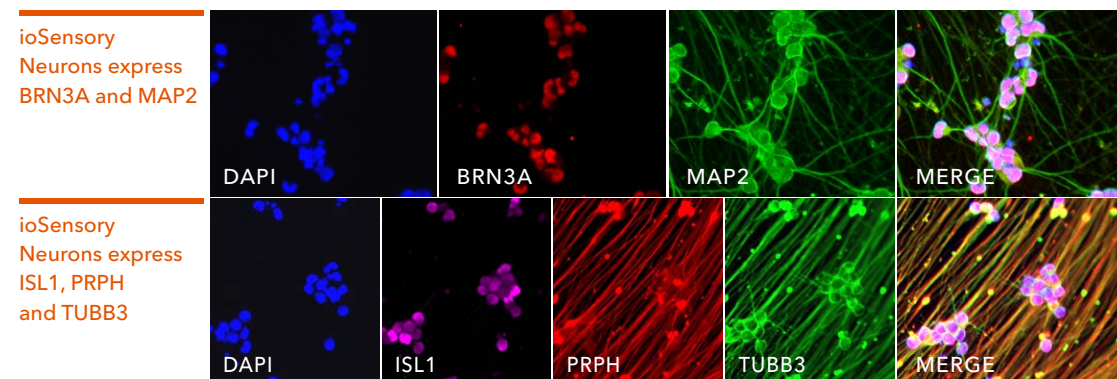
Cells arrive ready to plate



ioSensory Neurons express key pan-sensory neuron-specific markers. Immunofluorescent staining was performed on ioSensory Neurons at day 14 post-revival. The upper panel shows that ioSensory Neurons are positive for the pan-sensory marker BRN3A (red), the pan-neuronal marker MAP2 (green), and the DAPI

counterstain (blue), and demonstrates that all MAP2 positive neurons have a sensory neuronal identity.

The lower panel shows that ioSensory Neurons are positive for the pan-sensory markers ISL1 (magenta) and PRPH (red), the pan-neuronal marker TUBB3 (green), and the DAPI counterstain (blue).



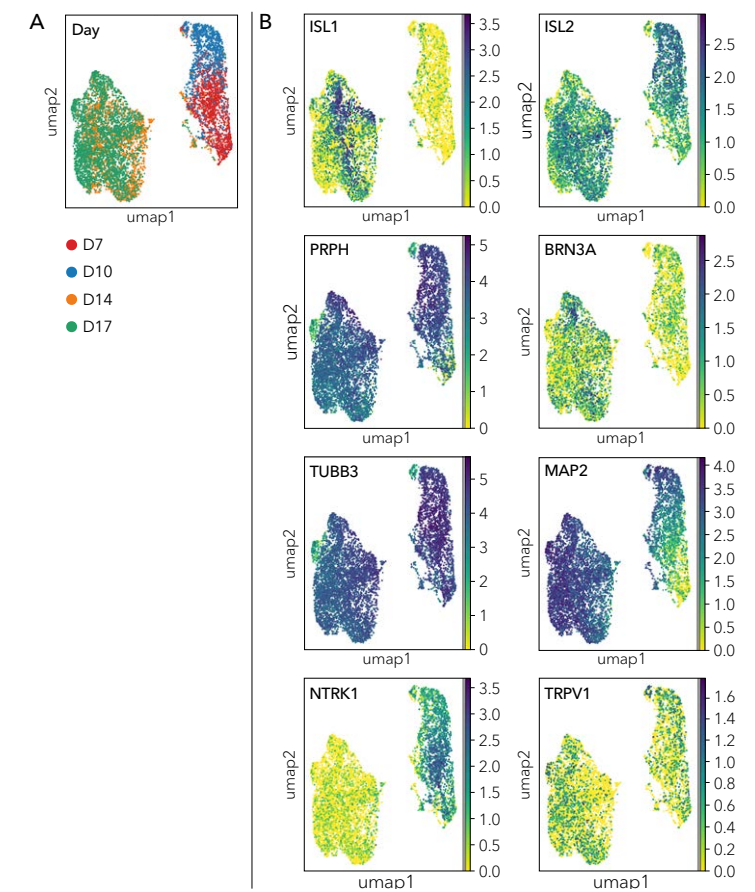
ioSensory Neurons express BRN3A and MAP2

ioSensory Neurons express ISL1, PRPH and TUBB3

Single cell RNA-sequencing shows ioSensory Neurons form a >99% pure population of sensory neurons

A. Single cell RNA-sequencing analysis was performed, using 10x Genomics, with ioSensory Neurons at four specific timepoints (days 7, 10, 14 and 17). **B.** By day 7, the population expresses key pan-sensory neuron markers, ISL1, ISL2, PRPH, BRN3A, and key pan-neuronal markers, TUBB3 and MAP2, indicating a >99% pure population of post-mitotic sensory neurons. A high proportion of cells also express key nociceptor markers, NTRK1 and TRPV1.

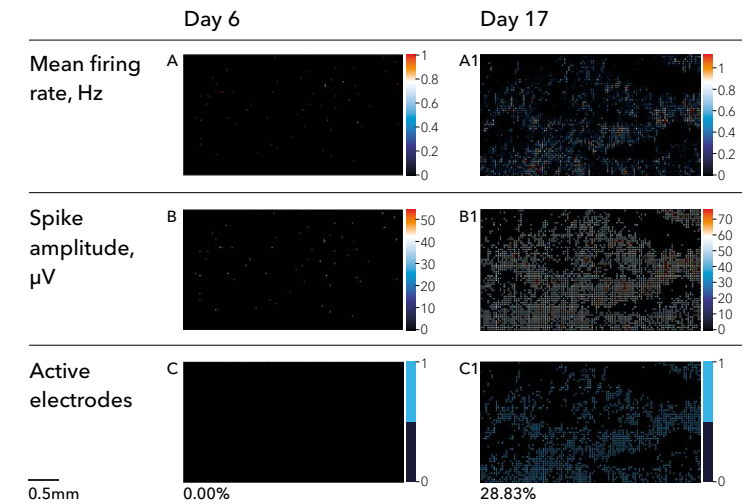
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Rapid gain of functional activity – ioSensory Neurons display spontaneous activity that matures over time

Multi electrode array (MEA) recordings of ioSensory Neurons at days 6 and 17. The activity maps show firing rate (A), spike amplitude (B) and % of active electrodes (C). Results demonstrate a time-dependent increase of spontaneous activity during neuronal maturation from day 6 to day 17. Analysis was performed on a Maxwell Biosystem's MaxTwo multi-well system.

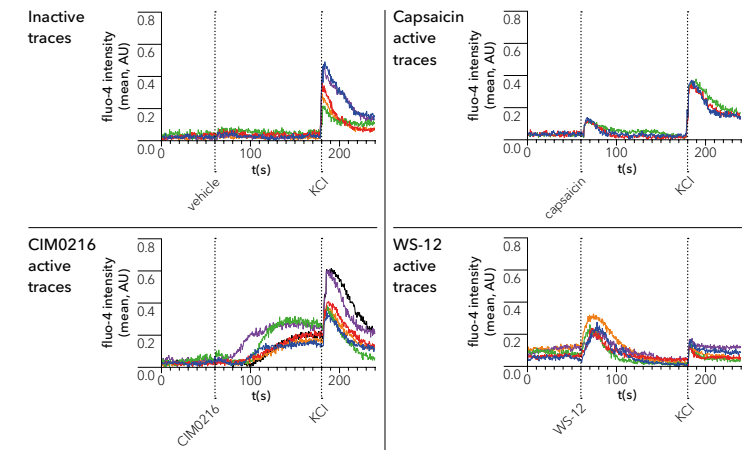
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Highly characterised and defined, so you know exactly what is in every vial

Rapid gain of functional activity – ioSensory Neurons display a functional nociceptor phenotype

Calcium mobilisation imaging upon stimulation of ioSensory Neurons with pharmacological agonists targeting thermosensitive TRP channels such as TRPV1 (capsaicin), TRPM3 (CIM0216) and TRPM8 (WS-12). Active traces represent the increase in intracellular calcium mobilisation of individual cells upon exposure to noxious stimuli but not to vehicle at day 14 post-revival. This indicates that cells display a functional nociceptor phenotype within 14 days post-revival.



Product information

Cat code

io1024

Starting material

Human iPSC line

Karyotype

Normal (46, XY)

Seeding compatibility

6, 12, 24, 96 & 384 well plates

Shipping info

Dry ice

Donor

Caucasian adult male

(skin fibroblast)

Vial size

Small: >2 x 10⁶ viable cells

Quality control

Sterility, protein expression (ICC)

and gene expression (RT-qPCR)

Differentiation method

opti-ox™ cell reprogramming

Recommended seeding density

60,000 cells/cm²

User storage

LN2 or -150°C

Format

Cryopreserved cells

Product use

ioCells™ are for

research use only

Applications

Chronic pain research & drug

development, MEA analysis,

calcium imaging, transcriptome

analysis, neurotoxicology

Who we are

bit.bio combines the concepts of cell programming and biology to provide human cells for research, drug discovery and cell therapy, enabling a new generation of medicines.

This is possible with our precision human cellular reprogramming technology opti-ox™ – a gene engineering approach that enables unlimited batches of any human cell to be manufactured consistently at scale

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