## **SOP-P014**

## **Preparation of 10 mM Hydroethidine (HE)**

**Objective**: To prepare a solution of hydroethidine (reduced ethidium bromide) in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) for staining cells for the detection of superoxide release in functional assays using flow or image cytometry

## **Procedure**:

- 1. Weigh out a quantity of hydroethidine close to 3.15 mg on a square of glassine paper.
- 2. Transfer the dye immediately to a 12 x 75 mm foil-wrapped test tube with stopper.
- 3a. Calculate the volume of DMSO required **in mls** by dividing the actual weight in mg by 3.15.
- 3b. Pipet the calculated volume of DMSO into the tube.
- 4. Stopper the tube and mix well. Check to see that the dye has dissolved.
- 5. Label the tube with content information, date, and your initials. Store the dye solution refrigerated at 0-5°C.

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