

## Supporting Information

### **Indolequinone-rhodol conjugate as a fluorescent probe for hypoxic cells: enzymatic activation and fluorescence properties**

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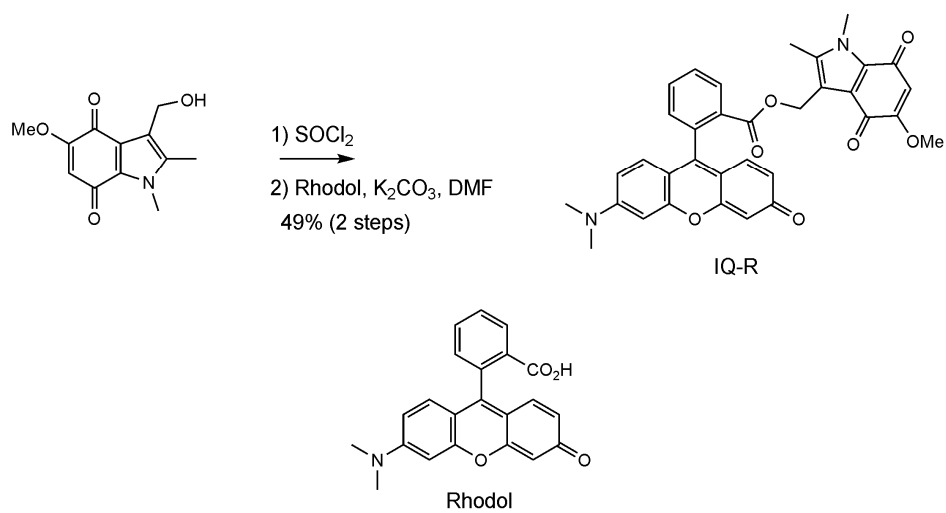
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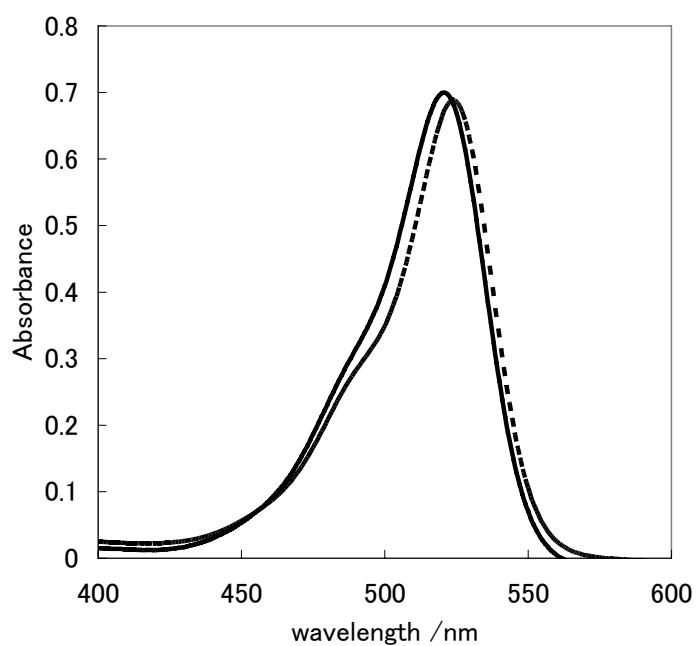
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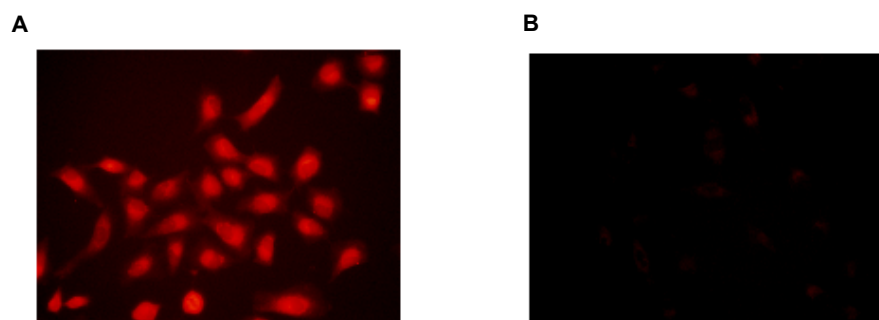
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### Scheme S1. Synthesis of IQ-R





**Figure S1.** Absorption spectra of IQ-R upon treatment with reductase. IQ-R ( $10 \mu\text{M}$ ) was incubated with NADPH:cytochrome P450 reductase ( $20 \mu\text{g/mL}$ ) and  $\beta$ -NADPH ( $2 \text{ mM}$ ) at  $37 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  in phosphate buffer (pH 7.4) under hypoxic conditions for 0 (solid line) and 30 min (dashed line).



**Figure S2.** Fluorescent microscopic observation of A549 cells as incubated with 5  $\mu$ M IQ-R for 24 h at 37 °C under hypoxic (A: 0.02% oxygen) or aerobic conditions (B: 20% oxygen) and then washed with PBS.