

cdk1/cdc2 Kinase Assay Kit

Catalog # 17-137

Lot # 17332

Kit Components

Assay Dilution Buffer (ADB), Catalog #20-108.

Two vials, each containing 1ml of assay dilution buffer (20mM MOPS, pH 7.2, 25mM β -glycerol phosphate, 5mM EGTA, 1mM sodium orthovanadate, 1mM dithiothreitol).

Substrate Cocktail, Catalog #20-125, Lot # 14756.

Two vials, each containing 1ml of substrate cocktail (2mg/ml Histone H1 [Catalog #14-155]) in ADB.

Inhibitor Cocktail, Catalog #20-126, Lot # 16494.

Two vials, each containing 1ml of inhibitor cocktail (20 μ M PKC inhibitor peptide [Cat. #12-121], 2 μ M protein kinase A inhibitor peptide (PKI) [Catalog #12-151], and 20 μ M Compound R24571) in ADB.

Magnesium/ATP Cocktail, Catalog #20-113.

Two vials, each containing 1ml of Mg²⁺/ATP cocktail (75mM magnesium chloride and 500 μ M ATP in ADB). Before starting the assay, 90 μ l of the Magnesium/ATP cocktail should be added to 100 μ Ci (10 μ l) of the [γ -³²P]ATP (~3000 Ci/mmol).

P81 Phosphocellulose Squares, Catalog #20-134.

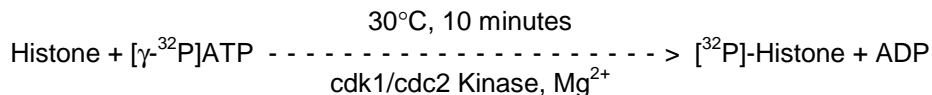
One pouch containing 200 prelabeled squares.

Kit Description

Quantity: 200 kinase assays per kit.

Storage and Stability: Stable for 1 year at -20°C from date of shipment.

Use: The assay kit is designed to measure the phosphotransferase activity of cdk1/cdc2 Kinase in immunoprecipitates and column fractions. Crude cell lysates may also be used but detergents/biochemicals contained in the cell lysis buffer may inhibit cdk1/cdc2 kinase activity. Furthermore, although 3 inhibitors are included with the kit, editors may suggest other unknown kinases found in crude lysates are responsible for histone phosphorylation. The assay kit is based on phosphorylation of a specific substrate (histone) using the transfer of the γ -phosphate of adenosine-5'-[³²P] triphosphate ([γ -³²P] ATP) by cdk1/cdc2 Kinase. The phosphorylated substrate is then separated from the residual [γ -³²P] ATP using P81 phosphocellulose paper and quantitated by using a scintillation counter. The assay is linear for incubation times of up to 30 minutes and incorporation of up to 20% of total ATP. Further incubation or incorporation may not be linear and may therefore not be a true indication of cdk1/cdc2 Kinase activity in the sample extract. The enzyme assay is rapid and convenient. Each kit contains sufficient reagents for 200 individual cdk1/cdc2 Kinase assays.



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Other components required but not included as part of kit are:

- **Enzyme Preparation containing cdk1/cdc2 Kinase**
- 10-200µg protein/immunoprecipitate diluted into assay dilution buffer or 25-100ng of purified cdk1/cdc2 Kinase.
- vortex mixer
- plexiglass shielding
- 30°C incubating water bath
- timer
- variable volume (5-200µl) pipet + tips
- 0.75% phosphoric acid
- acetone
- scintillation vials
- scintillation fluid
- scintillation counter
- [γ -³²P]ATP - ~3000 Ci/mmol, obtained from DuPont-New England Nuclear.
- 50ml disposable conical centrifuge tubes

Safety Warnings and Precautions: The cdk1/cdc2 Kinase assay kit is designed for research use only and not recommended for diagnostic and internal use in humans or animals. Since the kit involves the use of radioactive [γ -³²P]ATP, please follow institutional procedures for handling, use, storage and disposal of such materials. All chemicals should be considered potentially hazardous and handled using good laboratory practice.

cdk1/cdc2 Assay Kit Procedures

The kit components should be thawed, mixed by vortexing and stored on ice before proceeding with the assay. In particular, assay dilution buffer (ADB) and Magnesium/ATP cocktail must be rapidly thawed and mixed completely. Note: do not use extended thawing time. The assay components can be refrozen at -20°C for extended periods. Perform all preincubation reactions at 1°C over an ice bath. The kinase assay may be performed at 30°C or room temperature but linear results are more easily achieved at 30°C. Activation

Suitable blanks should always be performed to correct for non-specific binding of [γ -³²P]ATP and its breakdown products to the phosphocellulose paper. Controls for endogenous phosphorylation of proteins in the sample extract can be performed by substituting assay dilution buffer for substrate cocktail.

Assay Procedure:

1. Add 10µl of the substrate cocktail to a microcentrifuge tube.
2. Add 10µl of the inhibitor cocktail or ADB to a microcentrifuge tube.
3. Add 10µl of ADB to the microcentrifuge tube.
4. Add 10µl of cdk1/cdc2 Kinase (25-100ng purified enzyme/assay or 10-200µg protein/immunoprecipitate).
5. Add 10µl of the diluted [γ -³²P]ATP mixture.
6. Incubate for 10 minutes at 30°C.
7. Transfer a 25µl aliquot onto the center of a numbered P81 paper.
8. Wash the assay squares with 0.75% phosphoric acid.
9. Wash the assay squares once with acetone.
10. Transfer the assay squares to a scintillation vial and add scintillation cocktail.
11. Read in scintillation counter. Compare CPM of enzyme samples to CPM of control samples that contain no enzyme (background control).

cdk1/cdc2 Kinase Assay Data: cdk1/cdc2 Kinase activity was measured using this kit with partially purified cdk1/cdc2. This kit uses Histone H1 as a kinase substrate and contains a separate inhibitor cocktail that blocks the activity of other serine/threonine kinases such as protein kinase A, protein kinase C and calmodulin dependent kinases. Some of the test results are shown below:

cdk1/cdc2 Enzyme	Inhibitors Present	Substrate	CPM Mean	Comments
none	PKA, PKC and CaMDK	None	3,510	Background
50ng (B)	PKA, PKC and CaMDK	None	4,338	cdk1/cdc2 background phosphorylation
50ng (A)	PKA, PKC and CaMDK	Histone H1	111,379	cdk1/cdc2 activity
50ng	none	Histone H1	153,711	total kinase activity

Determination of cdk1/cdc2 Kinase Activity:

Determine the specific radioactivity of the Mg^{2+} /cold ATP-hot ATP mixture. Assume that the amount of hot ATP is negligible. In the above experiment, 5µl of the ATP solution gave 5.18×10^6 CPM, therefore 10µl would give 10.4×10^6 CPM = $(500\mu M \times 10^{-5} L \times 10^3 \text{ nmoles}/\mu\text{mole} = 5 \text{ nmoles ATP})$.

$$10.4 \times 10^6 \text{ CPM} / 5 \text{ nmoles ATP}$$

$$2.1 \times 10^6 \text{ CPM/nmole ATP} = 2100 \text{ CPM/pmol ATP}$$

= Specific Radioactivity (S.R.)

The $[^{32}P]$ incorporated into the substrate is quantitatively measured by its binding to the phosphocellulose paper. In the presence of sample extract, the $[^{32}P]$ counted on the paper is the sum of non-specific $[^{32}P]$ ATP binding, specific binding of phosphorylated substrate and binding of phosphorylated endogenous proteins in the sample extracts (A).

In the absence of substrate, the $[^{32}P]$ counted on the papers is due to non-specific binding of $[^{32}P]$ ATP and its breakdown products and binding of phosphorylated endogenous proteins in the sample extracts (B).

Therefore, the $[^{32}P]$ incorporated into the substrate is obtained from (A-B).

Since only 25µl of the incubation mixture was spotted onto the P81 paper out of a total volume of 50µl, the total $[^{32}P]$ incorporated into the substrate is given by $[A-B] \times 2.0$.

$$\frac{[A-B] \times 2.0}{S.R. \times 10 \text{ min}} = \text{pmol phosphate incorporated into histone/min/50ng of enzyme}$$

In the above example:

$$\frac{[111,379 - 4,338] \times 2.0}{2100 \times 10 \text{ minutes}}$$

= 10.2pmol incorporated into histone/min/50ng

= 0.20µmol incorporated into histone/min/mg