

CATALOG NUMBER: HTS039C2 **QUANTITY:** 2 vials, 1 mL per vial

LOT NUMBER: **CONCENTRATION:** 2 x 10⁶ cells/mL

BACKGROUND: Dopamine is a catecholamine neurotransmitter that functions in the CNS to control locomotor, cognitive, emotional and neuroendocrine processes, and in the periphery to modulate cardiovascular, renal and gastrointestinal processes. The biological activities of dopamine are mediated by a family of five GPCRs. The D₁ and D₅ subtypes couple to G_s to increase intracellular cAMP, whereas the D₂, D₃ and D₄ subtypes couple to G_i to reduce cAMP (Missale *et al.*, 1998). The D₂ dopamine receptors have been of particular clinical interest due to their regulation of prolactin secretion and their affinity for antipsychotic drugs. The D₂ receptor exists as two alternatively spliced isoforms differing in the insertion of a stretch of 29 amino acids in the third intracellular loop (D_{2S} and D_{2L}) (Giros *et al.*, 1989; Grandy *et al.*, 1989). Millipore's cloned human D_{2L}-expressing cell line is made in the CHO host, which supports optimal levels of recombinant D_{2L} expression for robust agonist-induced cAMP signal. Thus, the cell line is an ideal tool for screening for agonists and antagonists at the D_{2L} Receptor.

APPLICATIONS: Assay for inhibition of forskolin-induced cyclic AMP

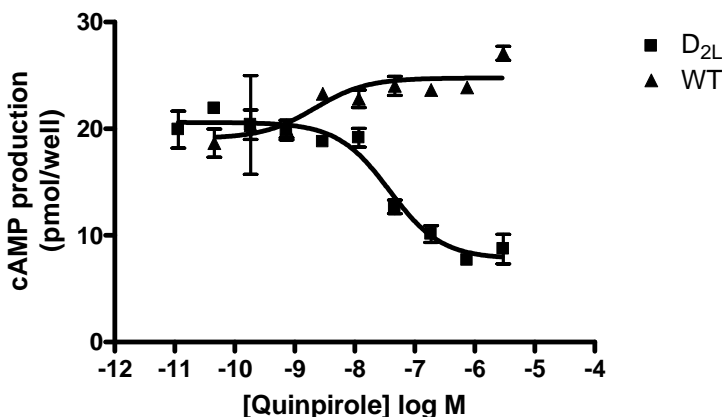


Figure 1. Cyclic AMP assay with D_{2L}-expressing CHO cell line. D_{2L}-expressing CHO cells and wild-type CHO (WT) were preincubated in 1 mM IBMX for 5 min, then exposed to ligand in the presence of 10 μM forskolin for another 15 min at 37°C. Cells were lysed and cAMP levels were determined with Millipore's cAMP HTS immunoassay kit (catalog # 17-418).

Table I. Comparison of EC₅₀ values of D_{2L}-expressing CHO cells with values described



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in the literature.

ligand	assay	potency (nM)	Reference
Quinpirol	cAMP	EC50 = 38	Figure 1
Quinpirol	cAMP	EC50 = 14	Moreland <i>et al.</i> (2004)

HOST CELLS: CHO-K1 cells

TRANSFECTION: Plasmid pcDNA3 containing DRD2 long isoform cDNA encoding D_{2L} (Accession Number: NM_000795; see CODING SEQUENCE below). The stable clonal cell line was selected by resistance to geneticin, followed by limited dilution cloning. The cell line was tested and found to have equivalent EC50 and signal at 1, 3 and 6 weeks of continuous culture.

PRESENTATION:

Cells are frozen at 2×10^6 cells/mL in 90% fetal bovine serum/10% DMSO. Cell line tests negative for mycoplasma.

STORAGE/HANDLING:

1. Immediately upon receipt, thaw cells or place cells in liquid nitrogen.
2. Thaw cells rapidly by removing from liquid nitrogen and immediately immersing in a 37°C water bath. Immediately after ice has thawed, sterilize the exterior of the vial with 70% ethanol. Transfer contents of the vial to a T75 flask containing growth media. Place the flask in a humidified incubator at 37°C with 5% CO₂.
3. After 8-24 h, all live cells will be attached. Viability of the cells is expected to be 50-80%. At this time, replace media to remove residual DMSO, and return to incubator.
4. When cells are approximately 80% confluent, passage the cells as follows: Remove media and wash once with HBSS without Ca⁺⁺ and Mg⁺⁺ (10 mL/T75). Add 0.05% trypsin/0.2 g/L EDTA (1 mL/T75) and place in humidified incubator at 37°C with 5% CO₂ until cells begin to round up and detach (5-10 minutes). Gently rap the side of the flask to dislodge the cells. Neutralize trypsin by addition of 4 mL CHO Growth Media per 1 mL trypsin.
5. Cells are typically passaged 1:10 every 3-4 days. Passaging ratio may be varied according to requirements of the investigator.
6. Frozen stocks of cells should be prepared at the earliest passage possible after thawing, as follows: Count detached cells (prepared as in Step 4). Centrifuge cells at 200 x g for 5 min. Resuspend cells at 5×10^6 cells/mL in CHO Freezing Media (cell densities of $2-10 \times 10^6$ are also acceptable if necessary). Dispense 1 mL aliquots into cryopreservation vials. Freeze the cells by a controlled rate process, such as in an isopropanol-jacketed container placed at -70°C overnight. Store the vials in liquid nitrogen.
7. Use of cells immediately after thawing is feasible for some cell lines and is being further validated. Some cell lines may need to be passaged at least once after thawing prior to use in calcium flux assays. Cells should be resuspended in CHO



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Plating Media for plating for calcium assay.

MEDIA:

CHO Growth Media:

F12-K containing 2 mM L-glutamine (Invitrogen 21127)
10% heat-inactivated FBS
1x Pen-Strep (from 100x stock, Millipore TMS-AB2-C)
250µg/mL Genetecin/G-418

CHO Plating Media:

F12-K containing 2 mM L-glutamine (Invitrogen 21127)
10% heat-inactivated FBS
1x Pen-Strep (from 100x stock, Millipore TMS-AB2-C)

CHO Freezing Media:

90% heat-inactivated FBS
10% DMSO (cell culture grade)

EXAMPLE CYCLIC AMP ASSAY CONDITIONS:

1. Cells propagated for screening should be maintained and seeded at less than 90% confluency. Trypsinize cells as above and seed cells in 96-well tissue culture plate at 50,000 cells/well in CHO Plating Media. Incubate plate overnight in a humidified incubator at 37°C with 5% CO₂.
2. Remove media from the cells and add 50ul/well of cAMP assay buffer (HBSS containing calcium and magnesium, with 10 mM HEPES) containing 2mM IBMX. Incubate cells in a humidified 37°C/5% CO₂ incubator for 5 min.
3. Add 50ul/well of cAMP assay buffer by itself or containing 2x final concentration of desired concentration of control or testing compounds and 20 µM forskolin. Incubate cells in a humidified 37°C/5% CO₂ incubator for 15 min.
4. Terminate the reaction by adding 100ul/well of lysis buffer from cAMP HTS immunoassay kit (Millipore 17-418), and perform cAMP quantitation according to the kit instructions.

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CODING SEQUENCE:

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121 - CTC ACC CTG CTC ATC GCT GTC ATC GTC TTC GGC AAC GTG CTG GTG TGC ATG GCT GTG TCC - 180
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181 - CGC GAG AAG GCG CTG CAG ACC ACC ACC AAC TAC CTG ATC GTC AGC CTC GCA GTG GCC GAC - 240
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281 - M E M L S S T S P P E R T R Y S P I P P - 300

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