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CheKine™ Micro Mitochondrial Complex III Activity Assay Kit

Cat #: KTB1870 Size: 48 T/96 T

	Micro Mitochondrial Complex III Activity Assay Kit		
REF	**Cat #:** KTB1870	LOT	**Lot #:** Refer to product label
	Applicable samples: Animal and Plant Tissues, Cells		
	Storage: Stored at -20℃ for 6 months, protected from light		

Assay Principle

Mitochondrial respiratory chain complex III (EC 1.10.2.2), also known as CoQ-cytochrome C reductase, is widely present in the mitochondria of animals, plants, microorganisms and cultured cells. It plays a key role at the main and branch pathways in the mitochondrial respiratory electron transport chain. Complex III could transfer the hydrogen of the reduced CoQ to cytochrome C ,and produce reduced cytochrome C. CheKine™ Micro Mitochondrial Complex III Activity Assay Kit provides a convenient tool for detection of mitochondrial complex III activity. The principle is complex III could transfer the hydrogen from reduced CoQ to cytochrome C to produce reduced cytochrome C. Unlike oxidized cytochrome C, reduced cytochrome C has characteristic light absorption at 550 nm. So, the increasing of light absorption rate can reflect the activity of Complex III enzymes, and the Kit can detect animal and plant tissues and cell samples.

Materials Supplied and Storage Conditions

Kit components	Size		Storage conditions
	48 T	96 T	
Reagent I	50 mL	100 mL	4℃
Reagent II	10 mL	20 mL	4℃
Reagent III	1 mL	2 mL	4℃, protected from light
Reagent IV	10 mL	20 mL	4℃
Reagent V	1	1	-20℃, protected from light
Reagent VI	1.25 mL	2.5 mL	-20℃, protected from light

Materials Required but Not Supplied

- Microplate reader or visible spectrophotometer capable of measuring absorbance at 550 nm
- Incubator, ice maker, refrigerated centrifuge
- 96-well plate or microglass cuvette, precision pipettes, disposable pipette tips

- Deionized water
- Homogenizer (for tissue samples)

Reagent Preparation

Reagent Ⅰ: Ready to use as supplied. Equilibrate to room temperature before use. Store at 4℃.

Reagent Ⅱ: Ready to use as supplied. Equilibrate to room temperature before use. Store at 4℃.

Reagent Ⅲ: Ready to use as supplied. Equilibrate to room temperature before use. Store at 4℃, protected from light.

Reagent Ⅵ: Ready to use as supplied. Equilibrate to room temperature before use. Stored at -20℃, protected from light after aliquoting to avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

Working Solution: Transfer the Reagent Ⅴ to the tube of Reagent Ⅳ, and mixing well before use. Then incubated the mixture at 37℃ for 5 min if the detected samples are from mammalian, or incubated at 25℃ for 5 min if the samples are from another species.

Sample Preparation

Note: Fresh samples are recommended to ensure enzyme activity.

Extraction of mitochondrial respiratory chain complex Ⅲ:

1. Accurately weigh 0.1 g tissue or collect 5×10^6 cells, add 1 mL Reagent Ⅰ and 10 μL Reagent Ⅲ, homogenize on ice.
2. Centrifuge the homogenate with 600 g for 5 min at 4℃, collect the supernatant to a new centrifuge tube and discard the pellet.
3. Centrifuge the supernatant again with 11,000 g for 10 min at 4℃. The pellet is the extracted mitochondria, which could be used to do step 5.
4. (Optional) The supernatant is cytoplasmic extract, which can be used as sample to determine mitochondrial respiratory chain complex Ⅲ leaking from mitochondria to judge the effect of mitochondrial extraction.
5. Add 200 μL Reagent Ⅱ and 2 μL Reagent Ⅲ to the pellet, resuspend the pellet sufficiently, and use it to detect the activity of mitochondrial respiratory chain complex Ⅲ in the next step.

Assay Procedure

1. Preheated the microplate reader or visible spectrophotometer for more than 30 min, and adjust the wavelength to 550 nm, Visible spectrophotometer was returned to zero with deionized water.
2. Add 25 μL Reagent Ⅵ and 200 μL Working Solution into the 96-well plate or microglass cuvette, mix well, react accurately for 2 min, then add 10 μL of sample and mix well. Immediately read the initial absorbance value (0 min) at 550 nm as A_1, and then read again after 2 min as A_2. Finally calculate $\Delta A=A_2-A_1$.

Note: In order to guarantee the accuracy of experimental results, need to do a pre-experiment with 1-2 samples. If ΔA is too high (above 1.0), the samples should be dilute with Reagent Ⅱ and then measured again . Pay attention to multiply by the dilution factor when calculating the result. If ΔA is too small, the sensitivity can be improved by increasing the sample volume added. If ΔA is negative, it means that complex Ⅲ is not contained in the sample or has been degraded.

Data Analysis

Note: We provide you with calculation formulae, including the derivation process and final formula. The two are exactly equal. It is suggested that the concise calculation formula in bold is final formula.

A. 96-well plates calculation formula as below

1. Calculated by fresh weight of samples

Unit definition: One enzyme activity unit defines as the production of 1 nmol reduced cytochrome C in 1 g tissue per min in the reaction system.

Calculate the activity of Complex Ⅲ in the supernatant:

The activity of supernatant Complex Ⅲ (U/g fresh weight)=$[\Delta A_1\times V_{Total}\div(\varepsilon\times d)\times10^9]\div(W\div V_{Extracttion}\times V_{Sample})\div T$**=1,243×$\Delta A_1$÷W**

Calculate the activity of Complex Ⅲ of the mitochondrial pellet:

The activity of pellet Complex Ⅲ (U/g fresh weight) =[$\Delta A_2 \times V_{Total} \div (\varepsilon \times d) \times 10^9$]÷($W \div V_{Resuspended} \times V_{Sample}$)÷T**=249×$\Delta A_2$÷W**

Calculate the total activity of Complex Ⅲ in sample:

The total activity of Complex Ⅲ in sample is the sum of the activity of complex Ⅲ in the supernatant and pellet.

Total activity (U/g fresh weight) **=1,243×ΔA_1÷W+249×ΔA_2÷W**

2. Calculated by cell density

Unit definition: One enzyme activity unit defines as the production of 1 nmol reduced cytochrome C in every 10,000 cells per min in the reaction system.

The activity of Complex Ⅲ (U/10^4 cells)=[$\Delta A \times V_{Total} \div (\varepsilon \times d) \times 10^9$]÷($V_{Sample} \div V_{Resuspended} \times 500$)÷T**=0.497×ΔA**

Where: V_{Total}: total reaction volume, 2.35×10^{-4} L; ε: reduced cytochrome C molar extinction coefficient ,19.1×10^3 mol/L/cm; d: 96-well plate diameter, 0.5 cm; 10^9: Unit conversion factor, 1 mol=10^9 nmol; V_{Sample}: sample volume added, 0.01 mL; T: reaction time, 2 min; ΔA_1: determination value of the supernatant; W:sample weight, g; $V_{Extracttion}$: sample extract volume, 1.01 mL; ΔA_2: determination value of Pellet; $V_{Resuspended}$: Volume of the resuspend pellet 0.202 mL; 500: Total number of cells, 5×10^6.

B. Microglass cuvette calculation formula

The optical diameter d:0.5 cm in the above calculation formula can be adjusted to d:1 cm for calculation

Typical Data

Examples:

1. Test 0.1 g mouse muscle tissue, prepared the sample following the above protocol and measured with the 96-well microplate:

$\Delta A_1=A_2-A_1=0.351-0.3413=0.0097$

$\Delta A_2=A_4-A_3=0.3516-0.3494=0.0022$

2. Calculated by fresh weight of samples:

Complex Ⅲ activity of the supernatant (U/g fresh weight)=$1,243 \times \Delta A_1 \div W=1,243 \times 0.0097 \div 0.1=120.571$ U/g

Complex Ⅲ activity of the pellet (U/g fresh weight)=$249 \times \Delta A_2 \div W=249 \times 0.0022 \div 0.1=5.478$ U/g

The total Complex Ⅲ activity (U/g fresh weight)=$1,243 \times \Delta A_1 \div W+497 \times \Delta A_2 \div W=120.571+5.478=126.049$ U/g

Recommended Products

Catalog No.	Product Name
KTB1850	CheKine™ Micro Mitochondrial Complex Ⅰ Activity Assay Kit
KTB1860	CheKine™ Micro Mitochondrial Complex Ⅱ Activity Assay Kit
KTB1880	CheKine™ Micro Mitochondrial ComplexⅣ Activity Assay Kit
KTB1890	CheKine™ Micro Mitochondrial Complex Ⅴ Activity Assay Kit

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