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Products Included	Product #	Kit Quantity
Phospho-Ezrin (Thr567)/Radixin (Thr564)/Moesin (Thr558) Ab	3141	30 μΙ
Kinase Buffer (10X)	9802	15 ml
ATP (10 mM)	9804	1 ml
Biotinylated Ezrin (Thr567)/Radixin (Thr564)/Moesin (Thr558) Peptide	1344	1.25 ml
IRAK4 Kinase (recombinant, human)	7551	1000 Units

**Description:** The kit provides a means of performing enzymatic assays with active human IRAK4 kinase. It includes active IRAK4 kinase (supplied as a GST fusion protein), a biotinylated substrate peptide and a phosphoserine/threonine-specific monoclonal antibody for detection of the phosphorylated form of the substrate peptide.

Peptide Core Sequence: YKT\*LR

**Molecular Weights:** Peptide substrate (Biotinylated peptide): 1,958 Daltons, GST-IRAK4 Kinase domain: 69,839 Daltons

**Unit Definition:** 10 Units is defined as the amount of IRAK4 kinase required to maximally phosphorylate 75 pmol of biotinylated substrate peptide in 30 minutes at  $25^{\circ}$ C in a total reaction volume of  $50 \,\mu$ l quantified by DELFIA® (signal/background of 25 or greater).

Background: Interleukin-1 (IL-1) receptor-associated kinase (IRAK) is a serine/threonine-specific kinase that can be coprecipitated in an IL-1-inducible manner with the IL-1 receptor (1). The mammalian family of IRAK molecules contains four members (IRAK1, IRAK2, IRAK-M and IRAK4). The binding of IL-1 to IL-1 receptor type I (IL-1RI) initiates the formation of a complex that includes IL-1RI, AcP, MyD88 and IRAKs (2). IRAK undergoes autophosphorylation shortly after IL-1 stimulation. The subsequent events involve IRAK dissociation from the

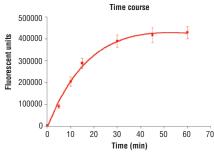


Figure 1. Time course of IRAK4 kinase activity: DELFIA® data generated using Phospho-Ezrin (Thr567)/Radixin (Thr564)/Moesin (Thr558) Antibody (#3141) to detect phosphorylation of IRAK4 substrate peptide (#1344) by IRAK4 kinase. In a 50 µl reaction, 10 Units IRAK4 and 1.5 µM substrate peptide were used per reaction well. Background reading is 4055. (DELFIA® is a registered trademark of PerkinElmer, Inc.)

IL-1RI complex, its ubiquitination, and its association with two membrane-bound proteins: TAB2 and TRAF6. The resulting IRAK-TRAF6-TAB2 complex is then released into the cytoplasm and activates protein kinase cascades, which include TAK1, IKKs, and the stress-activated kinases (3).

**Source/Purification:** The GST-Kinase fusion protein was produced using a baculovirus expression system with a construct expressing Ala104-Ser460 of human IRAK4 (GenBank Accession No. AF445802.1) fused to an amino-terminal GST tag. The protein was purified by one-step affinity purification using glutathione-agarose.

Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing rabbits with a synthetic phospho-peptide (KLH-coupled) corresponding to residues surrounding Thr567 of human ezrin. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.

**Quality Control:** The substrate peptide was selected by using the Serine/Threonine Kinase Substrate Screening Kit #7400 to screen for IRAK4 kinase substrates. Phospho-Ezrin (Thr567)/Radixin (Thr564)/Moesin (Thr558) Antibody (#3141) was used for detection. The quality of the biotinylated peptide was evaluated by reverse-phase HPLC and by mass spectrometry.

Purified IRAK4 kinase was quality controlled for purity by SDS-PAGE followed by silver stain and Western blot.

Assay conditions (time course [Fig.1], kinase dose-dependence [Fig.2] and substrate dose-dependence [Fig.3]) for IRAK4 kinase activity were verified using the IRAK4 substrate peptide provided in this kit. IRAK4 kinase  $V_{\text{max}}$  and  $K_{\text{m}}$  values were measured to determine specific enzymatic activity [Fig.4]. IRAK4 sensitivity to the inhibitor staurosporine was measured using the IRAK4 substrate peptide provided in this kit [Fig. 5].

## **Background References:**

- (1) Dinarello, C.A. (1996) Blood 87, 2095-2147.
- (2) Takaesu, G. et al. (2001) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 21, 2475–2484.
- (3) Janssens, S. and Beyaert, R. (2003) *Mol. Cell* 11, 293–302.

Storage: Antibodies are supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 μg/ml BSA and 50% glycerol. Do not aliquot the antibodies. Peptides are supplied at 6 μM in 0.001% DMSO. Enzymes are supplied in 50 mM Tris-HCL (pH 8.0), 100 mM NaCl, 5 mM DTT, 15 mM reduced glutathione and 20% glycerol. Store at –80°C.

Keep enzymes on ice during use.

Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

#### **Companion Products:**

IRAK4 Kinase #7551

Serine/Threonine Kinase Substrate Screening Kit #7400

Staurosporine #9953

IRAK4 Antibody #4363

Phospho-IRAK1 (Thr209) Antibody #4986

Phospho-IRAK1 (Ser376) Antibody #4361

Phospho-IRAK1 (Thr387) Antibody #4365

IRAK1 Antibody #4362

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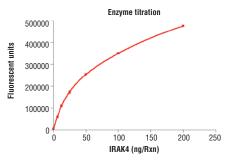


Figure 2. Dose dependence curve of IRAK4 kinase activity: DELFIA® data generated using Phospho-Ezrin (Thr567)/Radixin (Thr564)/Moesin (Thr558) Antibody to detect phosphorylation of substrate peptide (#1344) by IRAK4 kinase. In a 50 µl reaction, increasing amounts of IRAK4 and 1.5 µM substrate peptide were used per reaction well at 25°C for 30 minutes. Background reading is 4893. (DELFIA® is a registered trademark of PerkinElmer, Inc.)

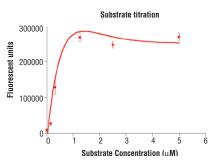


Figure 3. Peptide concentration dependence of IRAK4 kinase activity: DELFIA® data generated using Phospho-Ezrin (Thr567)/Radixin (Thr564)/Moesin (Thr558) Antibody to detect phosphorylation of substrate peptide (#1344) by IRAK4 kinase. In a 50 µ reaction, 10 Units of IRAK4 and increasing concentrations of substrate peptide were used per reaction well at 25°C for 30 minutes. Background reading is 4936. (DELFIA® is a registered trademark of PerkinElmer, Inc.)

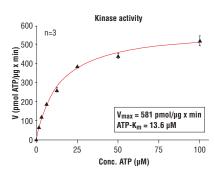


Figure 4. IRAK4 kinase activity was measured in a radioisotopic filtration assay using the following reaction conditions: 60 mM HEPES-NaOH, pH 7.5, 3 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 3 mM MnCl<sub>2</sub>, 3 μM Na-orthovanadate, 1.2 mM DTT, ATP (variable), 2.5 μg/50 μl PEG20.000, Substrate: Histone H2B, 5 μg/50 μl, Recombinant IRAK4: 4 Units/50 μl.

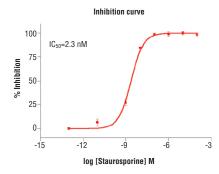


Figure 5. Staurosporine inhibition of IRAK4 kinase activity: DELFIA® data generated using Phospho-Ezrin (Thr567)/Radixin (Thr564)/Moesin (Thr558) Antibody to detect phosphorylation of IRAK4 substrate peptide (#1344) by IRAK4 kinase. In a 50 μl reaction, 10 Units IRAK4, 1.5 μM substrate peptide, 20 μM ATP and increasing amounts of staurosporine were used per reaction well at 25°C room temperature for 30 minutes. (DELFIA® is a registered trademark of PerkinElmer, Inc.)

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# Protocol for HTScan™ IRAK4 Kinase Assay Kit

#### Kinase

Note: Lot-specific information for this kinase is provided on the enzyme vial. Optimal assay incubation times and enzyme concentrations must be determined empirically for each lot of kinase under specified conditions.

### Additional Solutions and Reagents (Not included)

- Wash Buffer: 1X PBS, 0.05% Tween-20 (PBS/T)
- Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA)
- Stop Buffer: 50 mM EDTA pH 8
- DELFIA® Europium-labeled Anti-rabbit antibody (PerkinElmer Life Sciences #AD0105)
- DELFIA® Enhancement Solution (PerkinElmer Life Sciences #1244-105)
- DELFIA® Streptavidin coated, 96-well, yellow plate (PerkinElmer Life Sciences AAAND-0005)

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# Suggested Protocol For 100 Assays

- 1. Add 100  $\mu$ l 10 mM ATP to 1.25 ml 6  $\mu$ M substrate peptide. Dilute the mixture with dH<sub>2</sub>0 to 2.5 ml to make 2X ATP/substrate cocktail ([ATP]=400  $\mu$ M, [substrate]=3  $\mu$ m).
- 2. Immediately transfer enzyme from  $-80^{\circ}\text{C}$  to ice. Allow enzyme to thaw on ice.
- Microcentrifuge briefly at 4°C to bring liquid to the bottom of the vial. Return immediately to ice.
- 4. Add 1 ml 10X kinase buffer [1 ml 10X Kinase Buffer 250 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.5, 100 mM MgCl $_2$ , 1 mM Na $_3$ VO $_4$ , 50 mM  $\beta$ -glycerophosphate, 20 mM dithiothreitol (DTT)] to 1.5 ml dH $_2$ 0 to make 2.5 ml 4X reaction buffer.
- Transfer 1.25 ml of 4X reaction buffer to enzyme tube to make 4X reaction cocktail ([enzyme]=0.8 Units/µl in 4X reaction cocktail).
- 6. Incubate 12.5  $\mu$ l of the 4X reaction cocktail with 12.5  $\mu$ l/well of prediluted compound of interest (usually around 10  $\mu$ M) for 5 minutes at room temperature.
- Add 25 μl of 2X ATP/substrate cocktail to 25 μl/well preincubated reaction cocktail/compound.

# Final Assay Conditions for a 50 $\mu$ l Reaction

25 mM Tris-HCI (pH7.5)

10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>

5 mM β-glycerophosphate

0.1 mM Na<sub>3</sub>VO<sub>4</sub>

 $200~\mu M$  ATP

2 mM DTT

1.5 µM peptide

10 Units GST-IRAK4 Kinase

- 8. Incubate reaction plate at 25°C for 30 minutes.
- 9. Add 50 µl/well Stop Buffer (50 mM EDTA, pH 8) to stop the reaction
- 10. Transfer 25  $\mu$ l of each reaction and 75  $\mu$ l dH<sub>2</sub>O/well to a 96-well streptavidin-coated plate and incubate at room temperature for 60 minutes.
- 11. \*Wash three times with 200 µl/well PBS/T.
- 12. Dilute primary antibody, Phospho-Ezrin (Thr567)/Radixin (Thr564)/Moesin (Thr558) Antibody #3141, 1:1000 in PBS/T with 1% BSA. Add 100 µl/well primary antibody.
- 13. Incubate at 37°C for 120 minutes.
- 14. \*Wash three times with 200 µl/well PBS/T.
- Dilute Europium labeled anti-rabbit antibody 1:1000 in PBS/T with 1% BSA. Add 100 μl/well diluted antibody.
- 16. Incubate at room temperature for 30 minutes.
- 17. \*Wash five times with 200 µl/well PBS/T.
- 18. Add 100 µl/well DELFIA® Enhancement Solution.
- 19. Incubate at room temperature for 5 minutes.
- Detect 615 nm fluorescence emission with appropriate Time-Resolved Plate Reader.

\*IMPORTANT: Use of an automated microplate washer as well as centrifugation of plates when appropriate, greatly improves reproducibility.