

Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase (G6PD) Activity Assay Kit



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Description: The Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase (G6PD) Activity Assay Kit contains the necessary reagents for rapid, sensitive, and simple detection of G6PD activity in various samples. In the assay, glucose-6-phosphate (G6P), in the presence of NADP, is oxidized by G6PD to generate 6-phosphogluconolactone and NADPH. The generated NADPH is then amplified by the diaphorase-cycling system to produce highly fluorescent resorufin molecules (see Figure 1). The relative fluorescent units (RFU) can then be determined using a plate reader with excitation about 540 nm and emission about 590 nm. The magnitude of RFU is proportional to G6PD activity in the sample.

Background: Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase (G6PD) catalyses the first, and rate-limiting, step of the pentose phosphate pathway (1). The NADPH generated from this reaction is essential to protect cells from oxidative stress (1). Research studies have shown that p53 interacts with G6PD and inhibits its activity, therefore suppressing glucose consumption through the pentose phosphate pathway (2). In cancer cells with p53 mutations, the increased glucose consumption is directed towards increased biosynthesis, which is critical for cancer cell proliferation (2).

Specificity/Sensitivity: The Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase (G6PD) Activity Assay Kit detects sample G6PD activity. The presence of NADH and NADPH may interfere with the assay.

Background References:

- (1) Au, S.W. et al. (2000) *Structure* 8, 293-303.
- (2) Jiang, P. et al. (2011) *Nat Cell Biol* 13, 310-6.

Product Includes	Item #	Kit Quantity	Vial Color	Cap Color	Storage Temp
Tris Assay Buffer**	13865	25 ml			4°C
G6PDH Substrate (40X)*	96772	250 ul	Clear	Blue	-20°C
G6PDH Cofactor (100X)*	80415	100 ul	Clear	Yellow	-20°C
NADP+ (100X)*	49233	100 ul	Clear	White	-20°C
G6PDH Developer (100X)*	76535	100 ul	Amber	Amber	-20°C
G6PDH Positive Control (100X)*	38611	50 ul	Amber	Amber	-20°C
PathScan® Sandwich ELISA Lysis Buffer (1X)	7018	30 ml			-20°C

*Supplied Lyophilized – Volumes shown are for reconstitution

**Upon receipt, Tris Assay Buffer (#13865) should be removed from #12581 and stored at 4°C. Remaining components should be stored at -20°C

Note: All components in this kit are stable for 12 months when stored at the recommended temperature and left unused.



Figure 1. Schematic diagram of Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase assay. Glucose-6-phosphate (G6P) is oxidized by G6PD in the presence of NADP, which generates 6-phosphogluconolactone and NADPH. The generated NADPH is then amplified by the diaphorase-cycling system to produce highly fluorescent resorufin molecules.

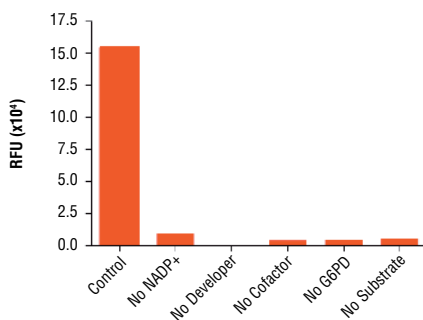


Figure 2. Each assay component is individually omitted from the assay system and the resultant RFU is compared to that of a control test that contains all of the assay components.

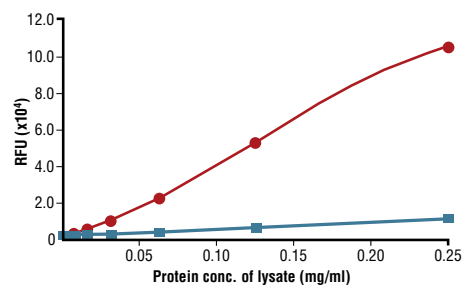


Figure 3. The relationship between the protein concentration of lysates from untreated and G6PD inhibitor DHEA (0.5 mM) treated Jurkat cells and relative fluorescence (RFU) is shown. The G6PD inhibitor DHEA can effectively inhibit this chain reaction as shown in this figure.

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A Solutions and Reagents

NOTE: Prepare solutions with deionized/purified water or equivalent.

- Tris Assay Buffer:** Bring to room temperature before use.
- G6PDH Substrate (40X):** Reconstitute lyophilized component with 250µl dH₂O.
- G6PDH Developer (100X):** Reconstitute lyophilized component with 100µl dH₂O.
- G6PDH Positive Control (100X):** Reconstitute lyophilized component with 50µl dH₂O.
- NADP+ (100X):** Reconstitute lyophilized component with 100µl dH₂O.
- G6PDH Cofactor (100X):** Reconstitute lyophilized component with 100µl dH₂O.
- PathScan® Sandwich ELISA Lysis Buffer (1X) (#7018):** Thaw and then keep on ice when using.

Working Solution Preparation

- Calculate the number of tests: number of samples + positive controls.
- Dilute **Total Detection Solution** for the calculated number of tests.
 - 70 µl/well is recommended for a 96-well plate.
 - 20 µl/well is recommended for a 384-well plate.

Example: Number of tests = 10 samples (n=3) + 3 positive controls
 a. 96-Well Plate: 70 µl/well x 33 samples = 2310 µl + 10% = ~2500 µl
 b. 384-Well Plate: 20 µl/well x 33 samples = 660 µl + 10% = ~750 µl
- Make Negative Control Solution** (See Table).
NOTE: DO NOT add G6PD substrate to the **Negative Control Solution**.
- Make **Positive Control Solution** (See Table).

TABLE 1: Example of calculation for 10 samples in a 96-well plate (All triplicates)

	Total Detection Solution (µl)	Negative Control Solution (µl)	Positive Control Solution (µl)
G6PD Substrate (40X)	62.5	0	0
G6PD Developer (100X)	25	3.3	0
G6PDH Cofactor (100X)	25	3.3	0
G6PD Positive Control (100X)	0	0	1
NADP+ (100X)	25	3.3	0
Tris Assay Buffer	2362.5	320	99
Total (µl) (with ~10% extra volume)	2500 (30 samples + 3 Positive Controls)	330	100

TABLE 2: Example calculation for 10 samples in a 384-plate (All triplicates)

	Total Detection Solution (µl)	Negative Control Solution (µl)	Positive Control Solution (µl)
G6PD Substrate (40X)	19	0	0
G6PD Developer (100X)	7.5	1	0
G6PDH Cofactor (100X)	7.5	1	0
G6PD Positive Control (100X)	0	0	1
NADP+ (100X)	7.5	1	0
Tris Assay Buffer	708.5	97	99
Total (µl) (with ~10% extra volume)	750 (30 samples + 3 Positive Controls)	100	100

C Preparing Cell Lysates

For adherent cells

- Grow target cells to 80–90% confluence and aspirate media.
- Add fresh media containing regulator for desired time.
- Aspirate media and rinse cells once with ice-cold 1X PBS (#9872).
- Aspirate PBS and add 0.5 ml ice-cold 1X Cell Lysis Buffer plus 1 mM PMSF to each plate (10 cm diameter).
- Incubate the plate on ice for 5 min.
- Scrape cells off the plate and transfer to an appropriate tube. Keep on ice.
- Sonicate lysates on ice.
- Microcentrifuge for 10 min (x14,000 rpm) at 4°C and transfer the supernatant to a new tube. The supernatant is the cell lysate.
- Store at –80°C in single-use aliquots.

For suspension cells

- Remove media by low speed centrifugation (~1200 rpm) when the culture reaches 0.5–1.0 x 10⁶ viable cells/ml. Treat cells by adding fresh media containing regulator for desired time.
- Collect cells by low speed centrifugation (~1200 rpm) and wash once with 5–10 ml ice-cold 1X PBS.
- Cells harvested from 50 ml of growth media can be lysed in 2.0 ml of 1X Cell Lysis Buffer plus 1 mM PMSF.
- Sonicate lysates on ice.
- Microcentrifuge for 10 min (x14,000 rpm) at 4°C and transfer the supernatant to a new tube. The supernatant is the cell lysate. Store at –80°C in single-use aliquots.

C Test Procedure

- Dilute sample in G6PD Assay Buffer (1X) to desired concentration.
- Add 70 µl of **Total Detection Solution** and 30 µl of sample in a black 96-well plate. Mix well. (Alternatively, add 20 µl of **Total Detection Solution** and 10 µl of sample for a 384-well plate.)
- Negative control: Add 100 µl of **Negative Control Solution** to three wells. (Add 30 µl of **Negative Control Solution** for a 384-well plate.)
- Positive control: Add 70 µl of **Total Detection Solution** and 30 µl **Positive Control** to three wells. Mix well. (Add 20 µl of **Total Detection Solution** and 10 µl of **Positive Control** for a 384-well plate.)
- Incubate at 37°C for 15–30 min.
- Read RFU on a plate reader with excitation around 540 nm and emission around 590 nm.