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**Description:** Purified recombinant full length human IKK $\beta$  kinase, supplied as a GST fusion protein.

**Background:** The NFκB/Rel transcription factors are present in the cytosol in an inactive state, complexed with the inhibitory IκB proteins (1–3). Most agents that activate NFκB do so through a common pathway based on phosphorylation-induced, proteasome-mediated degradation of IκB (3–7). The key regulatory step in this pathway involves activation of a high molecular weight IκB kinase (IKK) complex, whose catalysis is generally carried out by three tightly associated IKK subunits. IKK $\alpha$  and IKK $\beta$  serve as the catalytic subunits of the kinase. IKK $\gamma$  serves as the regulatory subunit (8–9). Activation of IKK depends on phosphorylation; serines 177 and 181 in the activation loop of IKK $\beta$  (176 and 180 in IKK $\alpha$ ) are the specific sites whose phosphorylation causes conformational changes resulting in kinase activation (10–13).

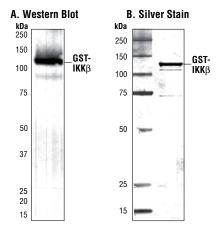


Figure 1. The purity of the GST-IKKβ fusion protein was analyzed using SDS/PAGE followed by anti-IKKβ Western blot (A) or Silver stain (B).

**Source/Purification:** The GST-Kinase fusion protein was produced using a baculovirus expression system from a construct containing a full length human IKK $\beta$  cDNA kinase domain (Met1-Ser756) (GenBank accession No. AF029684) fragment amino-terminally fused to a GST-HIS $_6$ -Thrombin cleavage site. The protein was then purified by one-step affinity purification using glutathione-agarose.

Quality Control: The theoretical molecular weight of the GST-IKKβ kinase fusion protien is 87 kDa (apparent molecular weight on SDS PAGE is 120 kDa). The purified kinase fusion protein was quality controlled for purity using SDS-PAGE Silver stain and Western blot [Fig.1]. IKKβ kinase activity was determined using a radiometric assay [Fig.2]. A kinase dose dependency assay was performed to measure IKKβ activity using HTScan™ IKKβ Kinase Assay Kit #7549 [Fig.3].

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**Storage:** Enzyme is supplied in 50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0; 100 mM NaCl, 5 mM DTT, 15 mM reduced glutathione, 20% glycerol. Store at -80°C.

Keep on ice during use.

Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

### **Companion Products:**

HTScan™ IKKβ Kinase Assay Kit #7549

IκB- $\alpha$  (Ser32) Biotinylated Peptide #1146

Phospho-I $\kappa$ B- $\alpha$  (Ser32/36) (5A5) Mouse mAb #9246

Kinase Buffer (10X) #9802

ATP (10 mM) #9804

Staurosporine #9953

Serine/Threonine Kinase Substrate Screening Kit #7400

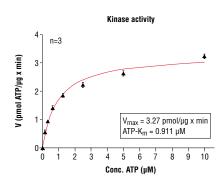


Figure 2. IKK $\beta$  kinase activity was measured in a radiometric assay using the following reaction conditions: 60 mM HEPES-NaOH, pH 7.5, 3 mM MgCl $_2$  3 mM MnCl $_2$  3 uM Na-orthovanadate, 1.2 mM DTT, ATP (variable), 2.5  $\mu$ g/50  $\mu$ l PEG20,000, Substrate: Rb CTF, 1.5  $\mu$ g/50  $\mu$ l, Recombinant IKK $\beta$ : 50 ng/50  $\mu$ l.

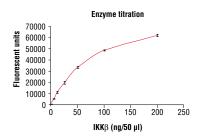


Figure 3. Dose dependence curve of IKK $\beta$  kinase activity: DELFIA® data generated using Phospho-IkB- $\alpha$  (Ser32/36) (5A5) Mouse mAb #9246 to detect phosphorylation of substrate peptide (#1146) by IKK $\beta$  kinase. In a 50  $\mu$ I reaction, increasing amounts of IKK $\beta$  and 1.5  $\mu$ M substrate peptide were used per reaction well at room temperature for 30 minutes. (DELFIA® is a registered trademark of PerkinElmer, Inc.)

# **Protocol for IKK**β **Kinase Assay**

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

#### **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.

## A Additional Solutions and Reagents (Not included)

1. Wash Buffer: 1X PBS, 0.05% Tween-20 (PBS/T)

Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA)
Stop Buffer: 50 mM EDTA pH 8

**4.** Phospho-lkB- $\alpha$  (Ser32/36) (5A5) Mouse mAb #9246

5. Kinase Buffer (10X) #9802

**6.** ATP (10 mM) #9804

7.  $I\kappa B-\alpha$  (Ser32) Biotinylated Peptide #1146

8. DELFIA® Europium-labeled Anti-mouse IgG antibody (PerkinElmer Life Sciences #AD0124)

9. DELFIA® Enhancement Solution (PerkinElmer Life Sciences #1244-105)

 DELFIA® Streptavidin coated, 96-well, yellow plate (PerkinElmer Life Sciences AAAND-0005)

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# B Suggested Protocol for 100 Assays

- Add 100 µl 10 mM ATP to 1.25 ml 6 µM substrate peptide. Dilute the mixture with dH<sub>2</sub>0 to 2.5 ml to make 2X ATP/substrate cocktail ([ATP]=400 µM, [substrate] = 3 µm).
- 2. Transfer enzyme from -80°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 [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.
- 5. Dilute enzyme in 1.25 ml of 4X reaction buffer to make 4X reaction cocktail ([enzyme]=4.0 ng/µl in 4X reaction cocktail).
- Add 12.5 µl of the 4X reaction cocktail to 12.5 µl/well of prediluted compound of interest (usually around 10 µM) and incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature.
- Add 25 μI of 2X ATP/substrate cocktail to 25 μI/well preincubated reaction cocktail/compound.

## Final Assay Conditions for a 50 µl Reaction

25 mM Tris-HCI (pH 7.5) 10 mM MgCI $_2$ 5 mM β-glycerophosphate 0.1 mM Na $_3$ VO $_4$ 2 mM DTT 200 μM ATP 1.5 μM peptide 50 ng IKKβ Kinase

- **8.** Incubate reaction plate at room temperature for 30 minutes.
- 9. Add 50 µl/well Stop Buffer (50 mM EDTA, pH 8) to stop the reaction.
- **10.** Transfer 25 μI of each reaction to a 96-well streptavidin-coated plate containing 75 μI dH<sub>2</sub>O/well and incubate at room temperature for 60 minutes.
- 11. \*Wash three times with 200 µl/well PBS/T.
- Dilute primary antibody in PBS/T with 1% BSA. Add 100 μl/well primary antibody.

**Please note:** This protocol was validated using a  $l\kappa B-\alpha$  (Ser32) Biotinylated Peptide and Phospho- $l\kappa B-\alpha$  (Ser32/36) (5A5) Mouse mAb diluted 1:1000 (see additional reagents). Primary antibody chosen should be specific to the substrate used

- 13. Incubate at 37°C for 120 minutes.
- 14. \*Wash three times with 200 µl/well PBS/T.
- **15.** Dilute Europium labeled secondary antibody 1:500 in PBS/T with 1% BSA. Add  $100 \, \mu$ l/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.

Please contact Cell Signaling Technology for HTS-ready antibodies (PBS formulated and carrier-free), and detailed peptide substrate sequence information.

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