

# CheKine™ Micro Mitochondrial ComplexIII Activity Assay Kit

Cat #: KTB1870

Size: 48 T/96 T

Ē	Micro Mitochondrial Complex III Activity Assay Kit				
REF	<b>Cat #:</b> KTB1870	LOT	Lot #: Refer to product label		
	Applicable samples: Animal and Plant Tissues, Cells				
Ĵ,	Storage: Stored at -20°C 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<sup>™</sup> 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**

	Size		
Kit components	48 T	96 T	Storage conditions
Reagent	50 mL	100 mL	4°C
Reagent II	10 mL	20 mL	4°C
ReagentIII	1 mL	2 mL	4°C, protected from light
ReagentIV	10 mL	20 mL	4°C
Reagent ∨	1	1	-20°C, protected from light
Reagent VI	1.25 mL	2.5 mL	-20°C, 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°C.

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

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

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

**Working Solution:** Transfer the Reagent  $\lor$  to the tube of Reagent  $|\lor$ , and mixing well before use. Then incubated the mixture at 37°C for 5 min if the detected samples are from mammalian, or incubated at 25°C 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<sup>6</sup> cells, add 1 mL Reagent | and 10 µL Reagent |||, homogenize on ice.

2. Centrifuge the homogenate with 600 g for 5 min at 4°C, 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°C. 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 ||| leaking from mitochondria to judge the effect of mitochondrial extraction.

5. Add 200 µL Reagent || and 2 µL Reagent ||| to the pellet, resuspend the pellet sufficiently, and use it to detect the activity of mitochondrial respiratory chain complex ||| 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  $\mu$ L Reagent  $\vee$ I and 200  $\mu$ L Working Solution into the 96-well plate or microglass cuvette, mix well, react accurately for 2 min, then add 10  $\mu$ L of sample and mix well. Immediately read the initial absorbance value (0 min) at 550 nm as A<sub>1</sub>, and then read again after 2 min as A<sub>2</sub>. 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  $\Delta A$  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  $\Delta A$  is too small, the sensitivity can be improved by increasing the sample volume added. If  $\Delta A$  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)=[ $\Delta A_1 \times V_{Total}$ +( $\epsilon \times d$ )×10<sup>9</sup>]+(W+V<sub>Extracttion</sub>×V<sub>Sample</sub>)+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) =  $[\Delta A_2 \times V_{Total} \div (\epsilon \times d) \times 10^9] \div (W \div V_{Resuspended} \times V_{Sample}) \div T = 249 \times \Delta A_2 \div W$ 

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<sub>1</sub>÷W+249×ΔA<sub>2</sub>÷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<sup>4</sup> cells)=[ $\Delta A \times V_{Total} \div (\epsilon \times d) \times 10^9$ ]  $\div (V_{Sample} \div V_{Resuspended} \times 500) \div T=0.497 \times \Delta A$ 

Where:  $V_{Total}$ : total reaction volume, 2.35×10<sup>-4</sup> L;  $\epsilon$ : reduced cytochrome C molar extinction coefficient ,19.1×10<sup>3</sup> mol/L/cm; d: 96-well plate diameter, 0.5 cm; 10<sup>9</sup>: Unit conversion factor, 1 mol=10<sup>9</sup> nmol;  $V_{Sample}$ : sample volume added, 0.01 mL; T: reaction time, 2 min;  $\Delta A_1$ : determination value of the supernatant; W:sample weight, g; V <sub>Extracttion</sub>: sample extract volume, 1.01 mL;  $\Delta A_2$ : determination value of Pellet;  $V_{Resuspended}$ : Volume of the resuspend pellet 0.202 mL; 500: Total number of cells, 5×10<sup>6</sup>. 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:  $\Delta A_1 = A_2 - A_1 = 0.351 - 0.3413 = 0.0097$ 

△A<sub>2</sub>=A<sub>4</sub>-A<sub>3</sub>=0.3516-0.3494=0.0022

2. Calculated by fresh weight of samples:

Complex III activity of the supernatant (U/g fresh weight)=1243×∆A1÷W=1243×0.0097÷0.1=120.571 U/g

Complex III activity of the pellet (U/g fresh weight)=249×∆A2÷W=249×0.0022÷0.1=5.478 U/g

The total Complex III activity (U/g fresh weight)=1243×∆A1÷W+497×∆A2÷W=120.571+5.478=126.049 U/g

### **Recommended Products**

Catalog No.	Product Name		
KTB1850	CheKine™ Micro Mitochondrial Complex   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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