

## HDAC Colorimetric Assay Kits (Catalog: TBS2065, 100 assay, Store at -20°C)

### DESCRIPTION

Histones are the chief protein components of chromatin, which act as spools around which DNA winds. Covalent modification of histone proteins through acetylation and deacetylation affects chromatin structure and regulates gene expression. Histone hyperacetylation is well correlated with increased transcription, whereas hypoacetylation correlates with transcriptional repression. Histone deacetylases (HDACs) catalyze the removal of acetyl groups from an  $\epsilon$ -N-acetyl lysine amino acid on a histone, act as transcriptional repressors of genes. Histone deacetylases have been grouped into three classes. Class I (HDAC 1, 2, 3, 8) and Class II (HDAC 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9) are zinc-containing hydrolase enzymes. Class III of deacetylases consists of the members of the sirtuin family of enzymes (Sir 1 to 7). Inhibitors of HDAC classes II and I are being studied as a treatment for cancer and neurodegenerative diseases such as Huntington's and Alzheimer's diseases. The Sirtuin 1 (class III) enzyme represents a target for the treatment of age-related diseases and type II diabetes.

The Tribo™ HDAC Colorimetric Assay Kit provides a convenient, sensitive, and simple approach to quantify HDAC activity from various sources of enzyme using a colorimetric substrate. In the HDAC assay, an acetylated substrate is incubated with HDAC-containing samples. Deacetylation of substrate sensitizes it in presence of HDAC developer, generates the colorimetric substrate, which can be detected at OD400nm. The substrate included in the kit is cell-permeable, and the assay can measure HDAC activity directly in cell culture in a 96-well plate without a time-consuming cell extraction step. The kit also can be used for HTS of HDAC inhibitors with extracts or purified enzymes.

### KIT CONTENTS (for 100 assay)

Assay buffer 12 mL; Developer 6 mL; Substrate 150  $\mu$ L; HDAC inhibitor (TSA) 10  $\mu$ L 1mM

**Storage conditions** Store the substrate at -20°C protected from light. The other components may be stored at 4°C. Shelf life: 12 months.

### PROCEDURES

#### A: Measuring HDAC inhibitor activity using culture cell

1. Culture  $6 \times 10^4$  cells in black 96-well tissue culture plate.
2. Prepare enough working solution by mix 40  $\mu$ L assay buffer with 1  $\mu$ L substrate, and 10  $\mu$ L test compound for each well; Set up triplicate wells without compound to serve as the **positive control**, without substrate as the **blank control**.
3. Replace media with 50  $\mu$ L working solution and continue culture in a 30-37°C incubator for the desired time (0.5-2hr).  
Note: Set up triplicate wells with untreated cells to serve as a **vehicle control**. Add the same solvent used to deliver the test compounds to the vehicle control wells.
4. Stop the deacetylation reaction by adding 50  $\mu$ L/well of developer solution and mix thoroughly.
5. Incubate the plate an additional 15 min.
6. Read plate in a plate reader at 400nm.

#### B: Screening HDAC inhibitor using nuclear extract.

1. Prepare enough nuclear extract diluents: Using assays buffer dilute nuclear extract to 100  $\mu$ g protein/mL, per-assay 40  $\mu$ L is needed.
2. Prepare enough working solution by mix 40  $\mu$ L nuclear extract diluents with 1  $\mu$ L substrate.
3. Prepare enough three-fold series dilute test compound with assay buffer, set up triplicate for each concentration, needs 10  $\mu$ L test compound for each assay.
4. Transfer 40  $\mu$ L working solution (triplicate) into 96-well black plate, add 10  $\mu$ L series diluted test compound into plate. Set up triplicate wells without compound to serve as the **positive control**, without substrate as the **blank control**.
5. Incubate plate in a 30-37°C incubator for the desired time (0.5-2hr).
6. Stop the deacetylation reaction by adding 50  $\mu$ L/well of developer solution and mix thoroughly.
7. Incubate the plate an additional 15 min.
8. Read plate in a plate reader at 400nm.

### CALCULATION OF RESULTS

Subtract the average of OD400nm values of the blank control from all OD400nm values of experimental wells. Plot OD vs. concentration of test compound.

$$\text{Activity (\%)} = 100 \times (\text{OD}_{\text{sample}} - \text{OD}_0) / (\text{OD}_{\text{ctrl}} - \text{OD}_0)$$

Where  $\text{OD}_{\text{sample}}$  and  $\text{OD}_{\text{ctrl}}$  are the average absorbance intensities in the presence and absence (vehicle control) of the test compound and  $\text{OD}_0$  the averaged blank control absorbance intensity.

### Materials needs but not supplied:

HDAC inhibitor; Nuclear extraction; 96-well black flat plate; and plate reader.

### RELATED PRODUCTS:

LDH Cytotoxicity Assay (TBS2002)  
ATP Colorimetric/ Fluorometric Assay (TBS2010)  
ADP Colorimetric/Fluorometric Assay (TBS3020)  
Cytochrome c Reductase Activity Assay (TBS2116)  
CCK-8 Cell Viability Assay (TBS2022)  
Cell Nuclear Extract kit (TBS6025)  
HDAC Fluorometric Assay Kit (TBS2060)  
GOT Activity Assay (TBS2013)  
Thiol Fluorometric Assay (TBS2026)  
GSH Assay (TBS2028)  
Homocysteine Fluorometric Assay (TBS2091)  
NNMT Inhibitor Screening Assay (TBS2097)  
G6PDH Activity Colorimetric Assay (TBS2102)  
ATP Colorimetric/Fluorometric Assay Kit (TBS2010)  
Caspase-3 Colorimetric Assay kit (TBS2030)  
AOPI Viability Assay for Flow Cytometry (TBS2069)

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