

Colorimetric Glutathione Reductase Activity Kit



Instruction Manual

Catalog Number	PK-CA577-K761		
Description	Glutathione Reductase (GR, EC 1.8.1.7) catalyzes the NADPH-dependent reduction of oxidized glutathione (GSSG) to reduced glutathione (GSH), which plays an important role in the GSH redox cycle that maintains adequate levels of reduced GSH. A high GSH/GSSG ratio is essential for protection against oxidative stress. PromoKine's Colorimetric Glutathione Reductase Activity Kit is a highly sensitive, simple, direct and HTS-ready colorimetric assay for measuring GR activity in biological samples. In the assay, GR reduces GSSG to GSH, which reacts with 5, 5'-Dithiobis(2-nitrobenzoic acid) (DTNB) to generate TNB2- (yellow color, $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 405 \text{ nm}$). The assay can detect 0.1 – 40 mU/ml GR in various samples.		
Quantity	200 assays		
Kit Components	Components	Quantity	Cap Code
	GR Assay Buffer	100 ml	NM
	3% H ₂ O ₂	1 ml	Orange
	Catalase	1 vial	Clear
	TNB Standard (2.5 μmol)	1 vial	Brown
	DTNB	1 vial	Red
	NADPH-GNERAT™	2 vials	Blue
	GSSG	1 vial	Yellow
	GR Positive Control (10 mU)	1 vial	Green
Applications / Assay Protocol	<p>Store kit at -20°C, protect from light. Warm Assay Buffer to room temperature before use. Briefly centrifuge vials before opening. Read the entire protocol before performing the assay.</p> <p>A. Reagent Reconstitution and General Consideration:</p> <p>Catalase: Dissolve lyophilized catalase with 1 ml Assay Buffer. The Catalase solution is stable for 1 week at 4°C and 1 month at -20°C.</p> <p>TNB Standard: Dissolve lyophilized TNB standard with 0.5 ml Assay Buffer to generate 5 mM TNB Standard. The TNB standard solution is stable for 1 week at 4°C and 1 month at -20°C.</p> <p>DTNB Solution: Dissolve DTNB with 0.45 ml Assay Buffer, sufficient for 200 assays. The DTNB solution is stable for 2 weeks at 4°C and 1 month at -20°C.</p> <p>NADPH-GNERAT™: Dissolve one vial with 0.22 ml Assay Buffer; sufficient for 100 assays. The solution is stable for 10 hours at 4°C and 2 weeks at -20°C.</p> <p>GSSG: Dissolve GSSG with 1.3 ml Assay Buffer, sufficient for 200 assays. The GSSG solution is stable for 2 weeks at 4°C and 2 months at -20°C.</p> <p>GR Positive Control: Dissolve lyophilized GR into 100 μl Assay Buffer, aliquot 50 μl GR Solution into vials, store at -20°C. It is stable for 1 day at 4°C and 1 month at -20°C. Ensure that the Assay Buffer is at room temperature before use. Keep samples, NADPH-GNERAT™ solution and GR standard on ice during the assay.</p> <p>B. Glutathione Reductase Activity Assay:</p> <p>1. Sample Preparations:</p> <p>Homogenize 0.1 gram tissues, or 1×10^6 cells, or 0.2 ml Erythrocytes on ice in 0.5-1.0 ml cold assay buffer; Centrifuge at $10,000 \times g$ for 15 minutes at 4°C; Collect the supernatant for assay and store on ice, serum can be tested directly. Keep samples at -80°C for storage.</p> <p>2. Sample Pretreatment:</p> <p>Samples should be treated to destroy GSH before the assay. Take 100 μl sample, add 5 μl 3% H₂O₂, mix and incubate at 25°C for 5 minutes. Then add 5 μl of catalase, mix and incubate at 25°C for another 5 minutes. Add 2-50 μl of the pretreated samples into a 96-well plate, bring the volume to 50 μl with Assay Buffer. We suggest testing several doses of your sample to make sure the readings are within the standard curve range.</p> <p>3. TNB Standard Curve:</p> <p>Add 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 μl of the TNB Standard into 96-well plate in duplicate to generate 0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 nmol/well standard. Bring the final volume to 100 μl with Assay Buffer.</p> <p>4. Reaction Mix: Mix enough reagents for the number of assays to be performed. For each well, prepare a total 50 μl Reaction Mix:</p>		

40 µl GR Assay Buffer
 2 µl DTNB solution
 2 µl NADPH-GNERAT™ solution
 6 µl GSSG solution
 Add 50 µl of the Reaction Mix to each test samples. Mix well. Measure O.D.405 nm at T1 (reading A1). Incubate the reaction at 25°C for 10 minutes (or incubate longer time if the GR activity is low), protect from light, measure O.D.405 nm again at T2 (reading A2). $\Delta A_{405nm} = A2 - A1$.
 Note: It is essential to read A1 and A2 in the reaction linear range. It will be more accurate if you read the reaction kinetics, and ensure A1 and A2 in the reaction linear range.
 5. Calculation: Plot the TNB standard Curve. Apply the ΔA_{405nm} to the TNB standard curve to get ΔB nmol of TNB (TNB amount generated between T1 and T2 in the reaction wells).

$$\text{GR Activity} = \frac{\Delta B}{(T2 - T1) \times 0.9 \times V} \times \text{Sample Dilution Factor} = \text{nmol/min/ml} = \text{mU/mL}$$

Where: ΔB is the TNB amount from TNB standard Curve (in nmol).

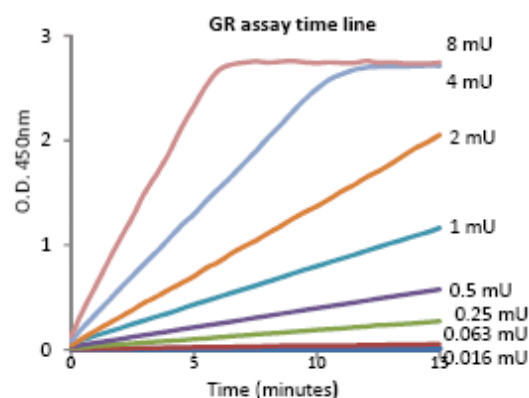
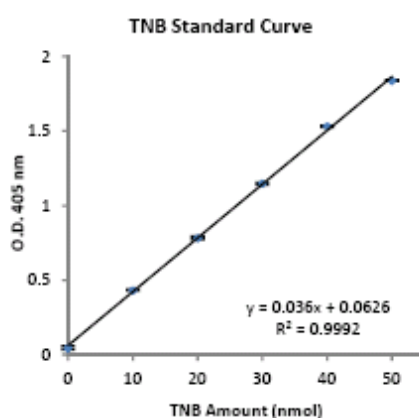
T1 is the time of the first reading (A1) (in min).

T2 is the time of the second reading (A2) (in min).

V is the pretreated sample volume added into the reaction well (in ml).

0.9 is the sample volume change factor during sample pre-treatment procedure.

One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme that generates 1.0 µmol of TNB per minute at 25°C. The oxidation of 1 mole of NADPH to NADP+ will generate 2 mole TNB finally, therefore, 1 TNB unit equals 0.5 NADP unit.



Intended Use

For in vitro research use only. Not for diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

Storage & Stability

Store kit at -20°C upon arrival. Store individual reagents as indicated on the respective labels.

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