



Pyruvate Kinase Microplate Assay Kit

User Manual

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Detection and Quantification of Pyruvate Kinase (PK) Activity in
Urine, Serum, Plasma, Tissue extracts, Cell lysate, Cell culture media
and Other biological fluids Samples.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Pyruvate kinase (PK, EC 2.7.1.40) is an enzyme involved in glycolysis. It catalyzes the transfer of a phosphate group from phosphoenolpyruvate (PEP) to ADP, yielding one molecule of pyruvate and one molecule of ATP. Lack of pyruvate kinase will slow down the process of glycolysis which causes the disease known as pyruvate kinase deficiency.

The assay is initiated with the enzymatic catalysis of phosphoenolpyruvic acid and ADP by PK. The enzyme catalysed reaction products NADH can be measured at a colorimetric readout at 340 nm.

II. KIT COMPONENTS

Component	Volume	Storage
96-Well Microplate	1 plate	
Assay Buffer	30 ml x 4	4 °C
Reaction Buffer	20 ml x 1	4 °C
Substrate	Powder x 1	-20 °C
Enzyme	Powder x 1	-20 °C
Standard	Powder x 1	-20 °C
Positive Control	Powder x 1	-20 °C
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Note:

Substrate: add 18 ml Reaction Buffer to dissolve before use.

Enzyme: add 1 ml Assay Buffer to dissolve before use.

Standard: add 1 ml distilled water to dissolve before use; then add 0.2 ml into 0.8 ml distilled water, the concentration will be 400 $\mu\text{mol/L}$.

Positive Control: add 0.5 ml distilled water to dissolve before use.

III. MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

1. Microplate reader to read absorbance at 340 nm
2. Distilled water
3. Pipettor, multi-channel pipettor
4. Pipette tips
5. Mortar
6. Centrifuge
7. Timer
8. Ice

IV. SAMPLE PREPARATION

1. For cell and bacteria samples

Collect cell or bacteria into centrifuge tube, discard the supernatant after centrifugation, add 1 ml Assay buffer for 5×10^6 cell or bacteria, sonicate (with power 20%, sonication 3s, interval 10s, repeat 30 times); centrifuged at 8000g 4 °C for 10 minutes, take the supernatant into a new centrifuge tube and keep it on ice for detection.

2. For tissue samples

Weigh out 0.1 g tissue, homogenize with 1 ml Assay buffer on ice, centrifuged at 8000g 4 °C for 10 minutes, take the supernatant into a new centrifuge tube and keep it on ice for detection.

3. For serum or plasma samples

Detect directly.

V. ASSAY PROCEDURE

Warm all reagents to 37 °C before use.

Add following reagents into the microplate:

Reagent	Sample	Control	Standard	Blank	Positive Control
Standard	--	--	200 µl	--	--
Distilled water	--	10 µl	--	200 µl	--
Substrate	180 µl	180 µl	--	--	180 µl
Enzyme	10 µl	10 µl	--	--	10 µl
Sample	10 µl	--	--	--	--
Positive Control	--	--	--	--	10 µl
Mix, incubate at 37 °C for 2 minutes, measured at 340 nm and record the absorbance.					

Note:

- 1) Perform 2-fold serial dilutions of the top standards to make the standard curve.
- 2) For unknown samples, we recommend doing a pilot experiment & testing several doses to ensure the readings are within the standard curve range. If the enzyme activity is lower, please add more sample into the reaction system; or increase the reaction time; if the enzyme activity is higher, please dilute the sample, or decrease the reaction time.

VI. CALCULATION

Unit Definition: One unit of PK activity is defined as the enzyme decomposes 1 nmol of NADH per minute.

1. According to the protein concentration of sample

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PK (U/mg)} &= (C_{\text{Standard}} \times V_{\text{Standard}}) \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Control}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}}) / (\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) / (V_{\text{Sample}} \\ &\quad \times C_{\text{Protein}}) / T \\ &= 4000 \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Control}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}}) / (\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) / C_{\text{Protein}} \end{aligned}$$

2. According to the weight of sample

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PK (U/g)} &= (C_{\text{Standard}} \times V_{\text{Standard}}) \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Control}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}}) / (\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) / (V_{\text{Sample}} \times \\ &\quad W / V_{\text{Assay}}) / T \\ &= 4000 \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Control}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}}) / (\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) / W \end{aligned}$$

3. According to the quantity of cells or bacteria

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PK (U/10}^4\text{)} &= (C_{\text{Standard}} \times V_{\text{Standard}}) \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Control}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}}) / (\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) / (V_{\text{Sample}} \\ &\quad \times N / V_{\text{Assay}}) / T \\ &= 4000 \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Control}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}}) / (\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) / N \end{aligned}$$

4. According to the volume of sample

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PK (U/ml)} &= (C_{\text{Standard}} \times V_{\text{Standard}}) \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Control}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}}) / (\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) / V_{\text{Sample}} / \\ &\quad T \\ &= 4000 \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Control}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}}) / (\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) \end{aligned}$$

C_{Standard} : the standard concentration, 400 $\mu\text{mol/L}$ = 400 nmol/ml;

V_{Standard} : the volume of standard, 200 μl = 0.2 ml;

C_{Protein} : the protein concentration, mg/ml;

W: the weight of sample, g;

N: the quantity of cell or bacteria, $N \times 10^4$;

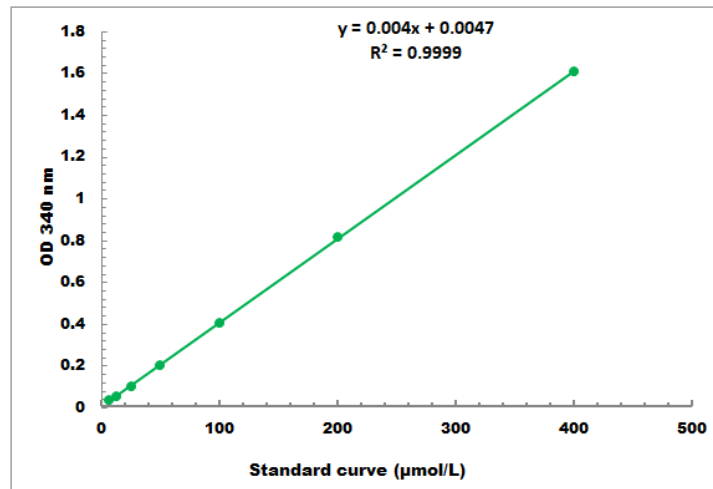
V_{Sample} : the volume of sample, 0.01 ml;

V_{Assay} : the volume of Assay buffer, 1 ml;

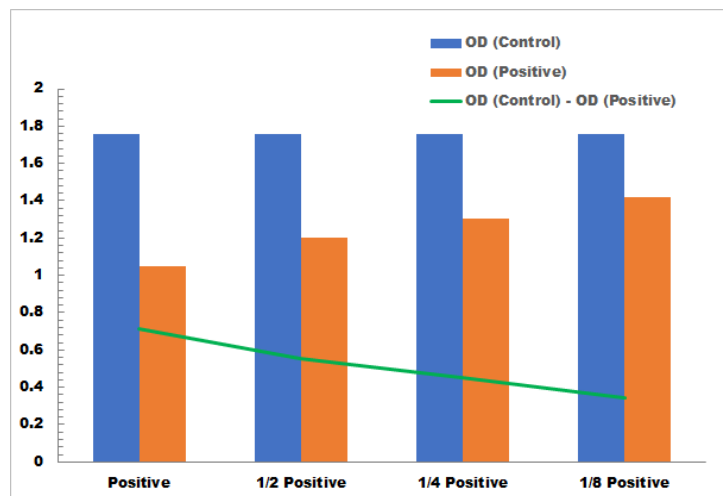
T: the reaction time, 2 minutes.

VII. TYPICAL DATA

The standard curve is for demonstration only. A standard curve must be run with each assay.



Detection Range: 4 μmol/L - 400 μmol/L



Positive Control reaction in 96-well plate assay with decreasing the concentration

III. TECHNICAL SUPPORT

For troubleshooting, information or assistance, please go online to www.cohesionbio.com or contact us at techsupport@cohesionbio.com

IX. NOTES