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MEK1, unactive

(Recombinant enzyme expressed in *E.coli* cells)

Item # 14-420, 14-420-K, 14-420M

Parent Lot # 2350988

The data presented in this document apply to the parent lot shown above and to all pack sizes derived from subsequent vialling runs of this parent lot. An alphabetical suffix after the parent lot number is used to denote each vialling run.

Product Description: N-terminal GST, and C-terminal 6His-tagged, recombinant full-length human MEK1 expressed in *E.coli* cells. Purified using glutathione-agarose followed by Ni²⁺/NTA-agarose. Purity 76.8% using SDS-PAGE and Coomassie blue staining. MW = 71kDa.

Specific Activity (Parent lot# 2350988): Less than 1% of the value obtained with MEK1 that has been activated with c-Raf. MEK1 activity determined by activation of 1μM MAP kinase 2.

Formulation: 2.957mg/ml of enzyme in 50mM Tris/HCl pH7.5, 150mM NaCl, 5% glycerol, 1mM benzamidine, 0.2mM PMSF, 0.1mM EGTA, 0.1% 2-mercaptoethanol, 0.03% Brij-35. Frozen solution.

Storage and Stability: On receipt of material store at -70°C. Unopened reagent is stable for a minimum of 1 year from date of shipment when stored at recommended storage temperature. Avoid repeat freeze/thaw cycles. For maximum recovery of product, centrifuge original vial prior to removing the cap.

Handling Recommendations: Rapidly thaw the vial under cold water and immediately place on ice. Aliquot unused material into pre-chilled microcentrifuge tubes and immediately snap-freeze the vials in liquid nitrogen prior to re-storage at -70°C.

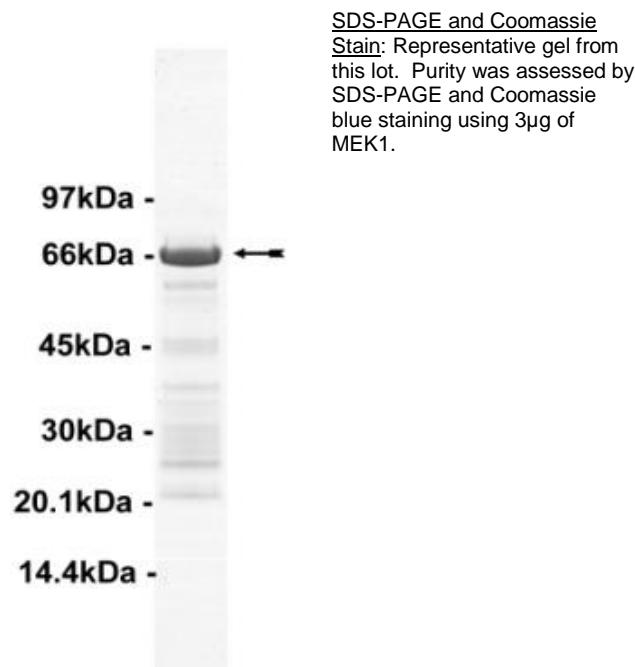
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Quality Control Testing

Activation Assay: 5μM unactive MEK1 was activated using 0.1μM cRaf, then diluted 100-fold, used to activate 1μM unactive MAP kinase 2, and the increased activity of the MAP kinase 2 against MBP determined. The activation of MEK1, subsequent activation of MAP kinase 2, and assay are described on page two. Results of this assay are shown below.

Active c-Raf	Unactive MEK1	Mean cpm	Comment
None	8.875μg	85	Inactive MEK1
110ng	8.875μg	13653	Activated MEK1

MS Tryptic Fingerprint: Confirmed product identity as MEK1 with the translated sequence listed on page four.



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Kinase Assay Protocol

Stock Solutions:

1. **10 x Activation Buffer:** 500mM Tris/HCl pH7.5, 1mM EGTA, 1mM Na₃VO₄, 1% 2-mercaptoethanol, 0.3% Brij-35.
2. **Dilution Buffer:** 50mM Tris/HCl pH7.5, 0.1mM EGTA, 0.1% 2-mercaptoethanol, 0.1mM Na₃VO₄, 1mg/ml BSA.
3. **Stage One 5 x Mg/ATP:** 50mM magnesium acetate, 1mM ATP.
4. **MEK1, unactive (Catalogue# 14-420):** Add to a final assay concentration of 5µM (0.355mg/ml). The volume is calculated by the formula, 0.355mg/ml divided by the concentration **2.957mg/ml** times 25µl.
5. **c-Raf-1, active (Catalogue# 14-352):** Add to a final assay concentration of 0.1µM (4.4µg/ml). Dilute with Dilution Buffer to 44µg/ml. Use 2.5µl per assay point.
6. **MAP kinase 2, unactive (Catalogue# 14-198):** Add to a final assay concentration of 1µM (67µg/ml). Dilute with Dilution Buffer to 0.67mg/ml. Use 2.5µl per assay point.
7. **Stage Two 5 x Mg/ATP:** 50mM magnesium acetate, 0.5mM ATP.
8. **10 x Assay Buffer:** 250mM Tris/HCl pH7.5, 2mM EGTA.
9. **MBP substrate (Catalogue# 13-104):** Dilute with dH₂O to prepare a 3.33mg/ml stock. Use 2.5µl stock per assay point.
10. **[γ-³³P]ATP:** 2.5 x magnesium acetate/[γ-³³P]ATP cocktail: 25mM magnesium acetate and 0.25mM ATP to which is added [γ-³³P]ATP (specific activity approximately 500cpm/pmol as required.)

Assay Procedure:

Stage One: Activation of MEK1

1. Add 2.5µl of 10 x activation buffer to a microcentrifuge tube.
2. Add 12µl dH₂O.
3. Add **3.0µl MEK1, unactive.**
4. Add 2.5µl **c-Raf, active.**
5. Add 5µl stage one 5 x Mg/ATP.
6. In appropriate controls, add dilution buffer to a final volume of 25µl.
7. Incubate for 30 minutes at 30°C.
8. Stop the reaction by diluting the MEK-1 250-fold in dilution buffer. Store on ice.

Stage Two: Activation of MAPK2

1. Add 2.5µl 10 x activation buffer to a microcentrifuge tube.
2. Add 12.5µl of dH₂O.
3. Add 2.5µl of **MAP kinase 2, unactive.**
4. Add 2.5µl of diluted **MEK1 from Stage One.**
5. Add 5µl of stage two 5 x Mg/ATP.
6. Incubate for 15 minutes at 30°C.
7. Immediately transfer 1µl of the mixture to the stage three component mixture.

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Stage Three: *Phosphorylation of MBP by Activated MAP kinase 2 (96 well plate format).*

1. Add 2.5 μ l 10 x assay buffer per assay to wells.
2. Add 9 μ l dH₂O.
3. Add 2.5 μ l **MBP**.
4. Add 1 μ l of the **Stage Two** reaction product.
5. Add 10 μ l of the 2.5 x magnesium acetate/ [γ -³³P]ATP cocktail.
6. Incubate for 15 minutes at 30°C.
7. Stop the reaction by adding 5 μ l of 3% phosphoric acid.
8. Transfer a 10 μ l aliquot onto the appropriate area of a **P30 Filtermat**.
9. Wash the filtermat three times for 5 minutes with 75mM phosphoric acid.
10. Wash the filtermat once for 2 minutes with methanol.
9. Transfer the filtermat to a sealable plastic bag and add 4ml of scintillation cocktail.
10. Read in a scintillation counter. Compare cpm of enzyme samples with cpm of control samples that contain all assay components plus 1 μ l 30% phosphoric acid and control samples with all assay components except c-Raf.

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MEK1 Sequence Information

Protein	Human MEK1
Tags	N-terminal GST and C-terminal 6His tags
Native sequence	M231 of the recombinant protein is equivalent to M1 of human MEK1
Accession number	EMBL Z30163, possessing amino acid substitution A327G. Please note, introduction of the A327G mutation to the rabbit sequence (Z30163) results in expression of recombinant MEK1 protein that is 100% identical to wild-type human MEK1 described in SwissProt Q02750, note this SwissProt entry fails to record M1 and starts at P2.

Recombinant MEK1 amino acid sequence:

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Recombinant MEK1 nucleotide sequence:

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