BTK Kinase Assay

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Scientific Background:

BTK (also known as Bruton tyrosine kinase) plays a crucial role in B-lymphocyte differentiation and activation. BTK interacts with SRC homology 3 domains of FYN, LYN and HCK that are activated upon stimulation of B- and T-cell receptors (1). Defects in the BTK gene cause Agammaglobulinemia, an X-linked immunodeficiency characterized by failure to produce mature B lymphocyte cells and associated with a failure of Ig heavy chain rearrangement. The unique role of BTK makes it a desirable target for potential anti-cancer, anti-inflammatory and anti-viral agents as well as other treatments (2).

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ADP-Glo™ Kinase Assay

Description

ADP-GloTM Kinase Assay is a luminescent kinase assay that measures ADP formed from a kinase reaction; ADP is converted into ATP, which is converted into light by Ultra-GloTM Luciferase (Fig. 1). The luminescent signal positively correlates with ADP amount (Fig. 2) and kinase activity (Fig. 3A). The assay is well suited for measuring the effects chemical compounds have on the activity of a broad range of purified kinases—making it ideal for both primary screening as well as kinase selectivity profiling (Fig. 3B). The ADP-GloTM Kinase Assay can be used to monitor the activity of virtually any ADP-generating enzyme (e.g., kinase or ATPase) using up to 1mM ATP.

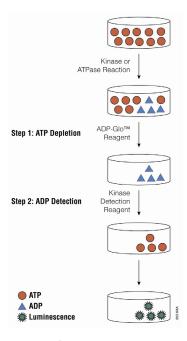


Figure 1. Principle of the ADP-Glo™ Kinase Assay. The ATP remaining after completion of the kinase reaction is depleted prior to an ADP to ATP conversion step and quantitation of the newly synthesized ATP using luciferase/luciferin reaction.

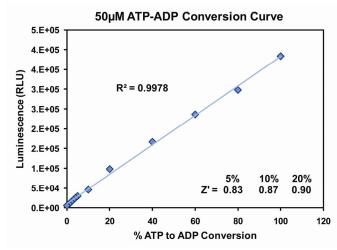


Figure 2. Linearity of the ADP-Glo Kinase Assay. ATP-to-ADP conversion curve was prepared at 50μM ATP+ADP concentration range. This standard curve is used to calculate the amount of ADP formed in the kinase reaction. Z' factors were determined using 192 replicates of each of the % conversions shown.



For detailed protocols on conversion curves, kinase assays and inhibitor screening, see *The ADP-GloTM Kinase Assay* Technical Manual #TM313, available at www.promega.com/tbs/tm313/tm313.html

Protocol

- Dilute enzyme, substrate, ATP and inhibitors in Kinase Buffer.
- Add to the wells of 384 low volume plate: 1 μl of inhibitor or (5% DMSO)
 2 μl of enzyme (defined from table 1)
 2 μl of substrate/ATP mix
- Incubate at room temperature for 60 minutes.

- Add 5 µl of ADP-GloTM Reagent
- Incubate at room temperature for 40 minutes.
- Add 10 µl of Kinase Detection Reagent
- Incubate at room temperature for 30 minutes.
- Record luminescence (Integration time 0.5-1second).

Table 1. BTK Enzyme Titration. Data are shown as relative light units (RLU) that directly correlate to the amount of ADP produced. The correlation between the % of ATP converted to ADP and corresponding signal to background ratio is indicated for each kinase amount.

BTK, ng	100	50	25	12.5	6.3	3.1	1.6	0.8	0.39	0
Luminescence	268584	138317	65425	33588	21397	17640	12474	8670	5055	3032
S/B	88.6	45.6	21.6	11.1	7.1	5.8	4.1	2.9	1.7	1
% Conversion	93.2	47.9	22.6	11.5	7.3	6.0	4.2	2.8	1.6	0

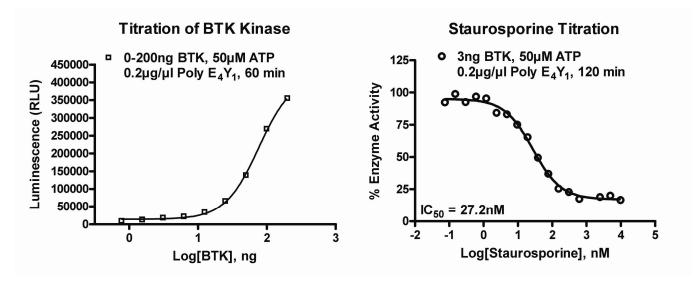


Figure 3. BTK Kinase Assay Development: (A) BTK enzyme was titrated using 50μM ATP and the luminescence signal generated from each of the amounts of the enzyme is shown. (B) Staurosporine dose response was created using 3ng of BTK to determine the potency of the inhibitor (IC₅₀).

Assay Components and Ordering Information:	Promega	SignalChem Specific in Signaling Proteins		
Products	Company	Cat.#		
ADP-Glo [™] Kinase Assay	Promega	V9101		
BTK Kinase Enzyme System ADP-Glo + BTK Kinase Enzyme System	<u>Promega</u> Promega	V2941 V9071		
BTK Kinase Buffer: 40mM Tris,7.5; 20mM MgCl ₂ ; 0.1mg	g/ml BSA; 2mM MnCl ₂ , 50μM DTT			

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