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### HTRF HUMAN PHOSPHO-IKKα (SER176/180) DETECTION KITS

#### Part # 64KKAS6PEG & 64KKAS6PEH

Test Size#: 500 tests (64KKAS6PEG), 10,000 tests (64KKAS6PEH)

Revision: #02 of September 2023 Store at: ≤-60°C

For research use only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

#### ASSAY PRINCIPLE

This assay is intended for the simple, rapid and direct detection of endogenous levels of IKK $\alpha$  in cells, only when phosphorylated at Ser176 and Ser180. Upon activation, IKK $\alpha$  is phosphorylated and after lysis of the cell membrane, phospho-IKK $\alpha$  (Ser176/180) can be detected using the kit reagents.

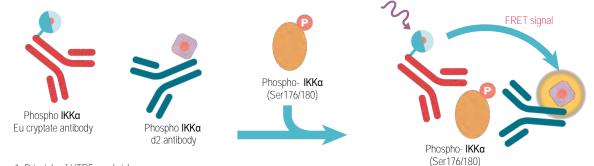


Figure 1. Principle of HTRF sandwich assay.

As shown here, phospho-IKK $\alpha$  (Ser176/180) is detected in a sandwich assay format using 2 different specific antibodies, one labelled with Eu<sup>3+</sup>-Cryptate (donor) and the second with d2 (acceptor). One antibody is selected for its specific binding to the phosphorylated motif on the protein, the second for its ability to recognize the total protein independently of its phosphorylation state.

When the dyes are in close proximity, the excitation of the donor with a light source (laser or flash lamp) triggers a Fluorescence Resonance Energy Transfer (FRET) towards the acceptor, which in turn fluoresces at a specific wavelength (665 nm). The specific signal modulates positively in proportion to phospho-IKK $\alpha$  (Ser176/180).

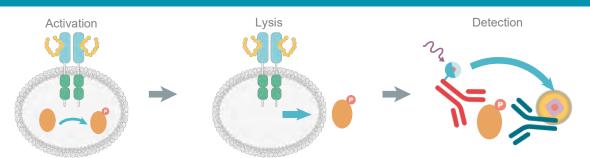
The assay can be run under a two-plate assay manual, where cells are plated, stimulated and lysed in the same culture plate. Lysates are then transferred to the assay plate for the detection of phospho-IKK $\alpha$  (Ser176/180) by HTRF<sup>®</sup> reagents. This manual gives the cells viability and confluence to be monitored. It can also be further streamlined to a one-plate assay manual. Detection of phospho-IKK $\alpha$  (Ser176/180) with HTRF<sup>®</sup> reagents is performed in a single plate used for plating, stimulation and detection. No washing steps are required. This manual,

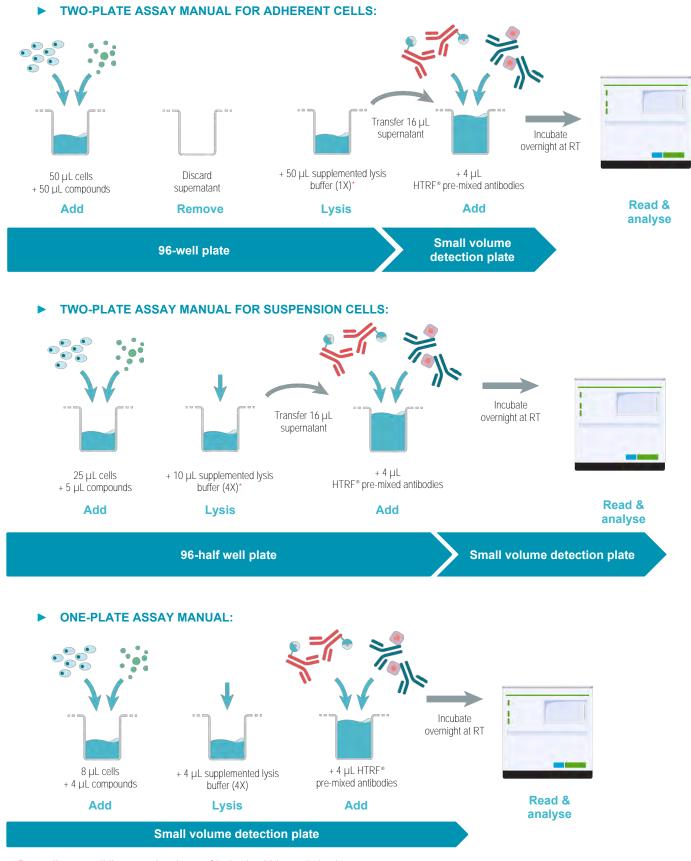
HTS designed, allows miniaturization while maintaining HTRF® quality.

For tissue derived samples, please refer to the technical note: "Optimize your HTRF<sup>®</sup> cell signaling assays on tissues" on www.revvity.com

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#### MANUAL AT A GLANCE





\* Depending on cell lines used, volume of lysis should be optimized.

Depending on cell lines used, it can be necessary to dilute the cell lysate to ensure samples are within the assay linear range

#### ► FOR HTRF CERTIFIED READER

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#### **MATERIALS PROVIDED**

KIT COMPONENTS	STORAGE	500 TESTS CAT# 64KKAS6PEG			10,000 TESTS CAT# 64KKAS6PEH		
Control lysate (ready-to-use)	≤-60°C		green cap	1 vial-150 µL	I	green cap	2 vials-150 µL
Phospho <b>ΙΚΚα</b> Eu cryptate antibody	≤-16°C		red cap	1 vial-50 µL		red cap	1 vial-1 mL
Phospho <b>IKKa</b> d2 antibody	≤-16°C		blue cap	1 vial-50 µL	I	blue cap	1 vial-1 mL
Blocking reagent* (stock solution 100X)	≤-16°C		purple cap	1 vial-300 µL	I	purple cap	3 vials-2 mL
Lysis buffer * #1 (stock solution 4X)	≤-16°C		transparent cap	4 vials-2 mL		white cap	1 vial-130 mL
Detection buffer** (ready-to-use)	≤-16°C		orange cap	2 vials-2 mL		red cap	1 vial-50 mL

\* Amounts of reagents provided are sufficient for generating 50 µL of cell lysate per well.

\*\* The Detection Buffer is used to prepare working solutions of acceptor and donor reagents.

#### ▶ PURCHASE SEPARATELY

96- well or 384-well small volume (SV) detection microplates - For more information about microplate recommendations, please visit our website at: www.revvity.com

#### STORAGE AND STABILITY

#### Storage upon reception:

Store the kit at -60°C or below until the expiration date indicated on the package.

#### Storage and stability of thawed material:

When you are ready to use the kit, take the reagents out and prepare them following the manual provided in this document. Unused thawed reagents can be stored and conserved for future use. Refer to the table below for storage options and corresponding shelf life.

	Storage after Thawing/reconstitution
Lysis Buffer / Blocking Reagent / Detection buffer	2-8°C until the expiration date indicated on the package
Antibodies*	2-8°C for 48h or freeze at -16°C or below until the expiration date indicated on the package for long term storage
Protein/standard/Control Lysate*	freeze at -60°C or below until the expiration date indicated on the package for long term storage

\*For Antibodies, Protein, Standard & control lysate, Stock solutions may be thawed and frozen only once. Freeze in aliquots to avoid multiple freeze/thaw cycles (once aliquoted, single use of the reagent).

Volume of antibodies aliquots should not be under 10µL. Volume of Protein, Standard & control lysate aliquots should not be under 20µL.

#### **REAGENT PREPARATION**

Allow all reagents to thaw before use. We recommend centrifuging the vials gently after thawing, before pipeting the stock solutions. Prepare the working solutions from stock solutions by following the instructions below.

#### TO PREPARE WORKING CONTROL LYSATE SOLUTION

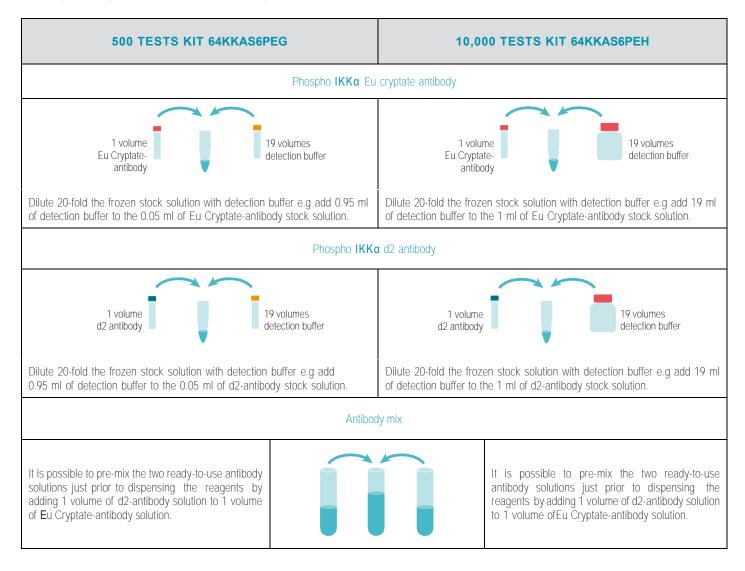
The control lysate is only provided as an internal assay control to check the quality of the results obtained. The window between control lysate and negative control should be greater than 2.

Thaw the control lysate. Mix gently, the control lysate is ready to use.

#### TO PREPARE WORKING ANTIBODY SOLUTIONS

HTRF<sup>®</sup> reagent concentrations have been set for optimal assay performances. Note that any dilution or improper use of the d2 and Eu Cryptate-antibodies will impair the assay's quality. Be careful, as working solution preparation for antibodies may differ between the 500 and 10,000 tests data point kit.

Antibody working solutions are stable for 2 days at 2-8°C. Dilute the antibodies with detection buffer. In practice:



#### TO PREPARE SUPPLEMENTED LYSIS BUFFER

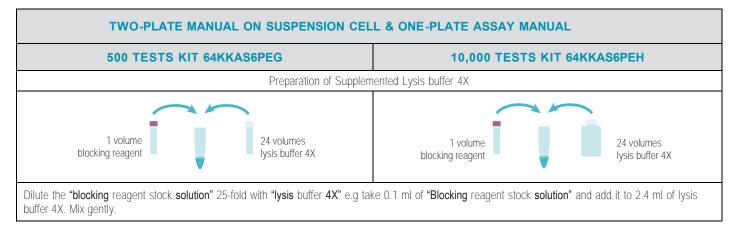
Make sure that the lysate has been generated by using the kit reagents.

Supplemented lysis buffer differs between the manuals. Make sure to use the appropriate supplemented lysis buffer depending on the chosen manual's specification.

Prepare the required amount of supplement lysis buffer before running the assay, working solutions are stable for 2 days at 2-8°C.

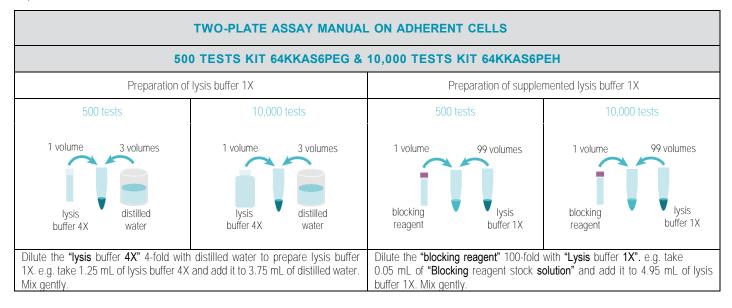
#### Supplemented Lysis buffer 4X for two-plate assay manual on suspension cells & one-plate assay manual

Determine the amount of supplemented lysis buffer needed for the experiment. Each well requires 4  $\mu$ L of supplemented lysis buffer for one-plate assay manual and 10  $\mu$ L for two-plate assay manual on suspension cells. Dilute the blocking reagent stock solution 25-fold with lysis buffer 4X. In practice:



#### Supplemented Lysis buffer 1X for two-plate assay manual on adherent cells

Determine the amount of supplemented lysis buffer needed for the experiment. Each well requires generally 50  $\mu$ L of supplemented lysis buffer. Prepare a lysis buffer solution 1X and then dilute the blocking reagent stock solution 100-fold with this lysis buffer 1X. In practice:



#### TWO PLATE ASSAY MANUAL

	GENERAL LAB WORK PRIOR USING HTRF KIT: CELLS PREPARATION						
	FOR ADHERENT CELLS	FOR SUSPENSION CELLS					
1	Plate 50 µL of cells in 96-well tissue-culture treated plate in appropriate growth medium and incubate overnight, at 37°C in CO2 atmosphere.	Plate 25 µL of cells in 96 half-well plate in your appropriate medium.					
	of cell seeding densities is recommended.	Cell seeding densities of 100K cells/well are generally sufficient for most cell lines, but optimization					
2	Dispense 50 µL of compound (2X) diluted in cell culture serum-free medium.	Dispense 5 $\mu$ L of compound (6X), diluted in your appropriate medium.					
	For most compound, incubation time is between 1 We recommend a time course study to determine	0 and 30 minutes at 37°C. the optimal stimulation time.	96-well culture plate				
3	Remove carefully cell supernatant either by aspirating supernatant or by flicking the plate. Do not remove your appropriate medium.		Discard supernatant (for adherent cells)				
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	FOR ADHERENT CELLS FOR SUSPENSION CELLS						
4	Immediately add 50 µL of supplemented lysis buffer(1X) and incubate for at least 30 minutes at room temperature under shaking.	Immediately add 10 µL of supplemented lysis buffer(4X) and incubate for at least 30 minutes at room temperature under shaking.					
	Use the appropriate supplemented lysis buffer an Lysis incubation time may be optimized. Lysis volu	d incubate at room temperature with shaking. Ime can be decreased down to 25 µL.	96-well culture plate				
5	After homogenization by pipeting up and down, traculture plateto a small volume (SV) white detection	ansfer 16 $\mu$ L of cell lysate from the 96-well cell- n plate.					
	Depending on cell lines used, it can be necessary within theassay linear range	96-well culture plate SV detection plate					
6	Add 4 µL of premixed antibody solutions (vol/vol) plate with a plate sealer. Incubate overnight at room temperature. Set up your reader for Eu <sup>3+</sup> Cryptate and read the wavelengths	SV detection plate					
	(665nm and 620nm) on a compatible HTRF $^{\circ}$ read	der.	SV detection plate				

#### Standard manual for two-plate assay manual in 20 µL final volume (after lysis step)

		NON TREATED CELL LYSATE	TREATED CELL LYSATE	CONTROL LYSATE	NEGATIVE CONTROL		
Step 1		Dispense 16 µL of non treated cell lysate	Dispense 16 µL of treated cell lysate	Dispense 16 µL of control lysate	Dispense 16 µL of supplemented lysis buffer(1X)		
Step 2		Add 2 $\mu L$ of Phospho IKKa d2 antibody working solution to all wells					
Step 3		Add 2 $\mu L$ of Phospho IKKa Eu cryptate antibody working solution to all wells					
Step 4	$\odot$	Cover the plate with a plate sealer. Incubate overnight at room temperature.					
Step 5		Remove the plate sealer and read on an HTRF compatible reader					

#### ONE PLATE ASSAY MANUAL

	GENERAL LAB WORK PRIOR USING HTRF KIT: CELLS	PREPARATION					
1	Plate 8 µL of cells in a small volume (SV) white detection plate in your appropriatemedium. Cell seeding densities of 100K cells/well are generally sufficient for most cell lines, but optimization of cell seeding densities is recommended. Depending on receptor a starving step with serum-free medium can be included.	SV detection plate					
2	Dispense 4 µL of compounds (3X) diluted in your appropriate medium. For most compound, incubation time is between 10 and 30 minutes at 37°C. We recommend a time course study to determine the optimal stimulation time.	SV detection plate					
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3	Add 4 µL of supplemented lysis buffer (4X). Use the appropriate supplemented lysis buffer and incubate for at least 30 minutes at room temperature under shaking. Lysis incubation time may be optimized.	SV detection plate					
4	Add 4 µL of premixed antibody solutions (vol/vol) prepared in the detection buffer. Cover the plate with a plate sealer. Incubate overnight at room temperature. Set up your reader for Eu <sup>3+</sup> Cryptate and read the fluorescence emission at two different wavelengths (665nm and 620nm) on a compatible HTRF <sup>®</sup> reader.	SV detection plate					

#### **>** Standard manual for one-plate assay manual in 20 μL final volume

			NON TREATED CELL LYSATE	TREATED CELL LYSATE	NEGATIVE CONTROL	CONTROL LYSATE		
ERAL LAB WORK	Step 1		Dispense 8	µL of cells		-		
GENERAL WOR	Step 2		Add 4 µL of your appropriatemedium	Add 4 µL of compound (3X)	Add 12 µL of your appropriate medium	Dispense 16 µL of control lysate		
	Step 3		Add 4 µL of s	-				
(Ser176/180) I STEPS	Step 4		Add 2 $\mu L$ of Phospho IKKa d2 antibody solution to all wells					
<ul> <li>IKKα (Se</li> <li>ECTION S1</li> </ul>	Step 5		Add 2 $\mu L$ of Phospho IKKa Eu cryptate antibody solution to all wells					
PHOSPHO- IKKa DETECTION	Step 6	$\odot$	Cover the plate with a plate sealer. Incubate overnight at room temperature.					
	Step 7		Remove the plate sealer and read on an HTRF compatible reader					

Negative control is used to check the non-specific signal. The ratio between control lysate signal / non-specific signal should be greater than 2.

#### DATA REDUCTION & INTERPRETATION

1. Calculate the ratio of the acceptor and donor emission signals for each individual well.

Ratio =  $\frac{\text{Signal 665 nm}}{\text{Signal 620 nm}} \times 10^4$ 

2. Calculate the % CVs. The mean and standard deviation can then be worked out from ratio replicates.

CV (%)= $\frac{\text{Standard deviation}}{\text{Mean Ratio}} \times 100$ 

For more information about data reduction, please visit www.revvity.com

#### RESULTS

These data should be considered only as an example. Results may vary from one HTRF<sup>®</sup> compatible reader to another. The curves are drawn up by plotting HTRF<sup>®</sup> Ratio versus the log [compound] concentrations.

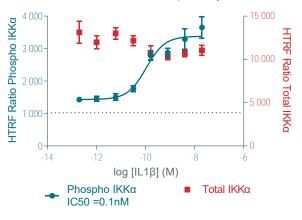
Results on HELA cells (100,000 cells/well), using the two-plate assay manual for adherent cells.

Cells were co-treated with increasing concentrations of IL1β and 100nM of Calyculin A for 15 minutes. Cells were then lysed with supplemented lysis buffer #1 (1X) for 30 minutes at room temperature.

16  $\mu$ L of lysates were transferred in a first plate to detect phospho- IKK $\alpha$ , and 16  $\mu$ L of lysates were transferred in a second plate to detect Total- IKK $\alpha$  using the HTRF Total- IKK $\alpha$  assay - Cat #64KKATPEG, #64KKATPEH

		Phospho- <b>ΙΚΚα</b> (Ser176/180)		Total- <b>IKKa</b>	
[IL1 <b>β</b> ] (nM)	Log [IL1 <b>β</b> ] (M)	Mean HTRF Ratio	CV%	Mean HTRF Ratio	CV%
0	-12.7	1429	3%	13130	10%
0.001	-12.0	1455	5%	11984	6%
0.006	-11.2	1502	7%	13010	5%
0.032	-10.5	1762	5%	12178	5%
0.16	-9.8	2786	5%	10770	7%
0.8	-9.1	2876	5%	10349	4%
4	-8.4	3292	10%	10723	4%
20	-7.7	3650	9%	11039	5%
Ne	egative	1156	3%	1163	5%
Cont	rol lysate	5369	9%	11261	2%

HeLa cells treated with IL1 $\beta$  + Calyculin A



## GENERAL LAB WORK PRIOR USING HTRF KIT: CELLS AND LYSATE PREPARATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS/ TROUBLESHOOTING PARAMETES

Using adherent cells, allow time for your cells to recover	Allow cells to regain full signaling capacity by plating them at least 6 hours beforestarting the
after plating	pharmacological treatment.
Depending on the pathway, a serum starving step could be essential toreduce the basal level activity. This step should be optimized case-by- case.	Advice on cell culture conditions prior using HTRF <sup>®</sup> kit: For adherent cells Before treating the cells with compounds, remove culture media from the plate andreplace it with serum-free media before incubating from 2 hours up to overnight at 37°C. For suspension cells Starvation step should be carried out in the flask. Harvest cells by centrifugation and re-suspend cells at a suitable cell density in serum-free media, incubate from 2 hoursup to overnight at 37°C.
Generation of lysates	Ensure that the lysates used for the assay have been generated by using the HTRF <sup>®</sup> lysis buffer supplemented with the HTRF <sup>®</sup> blocking reagent, provided in the kit. Lysates generated with HTRF <sup>®</sup> buffers can be used in other technologies, like Western-blot. The blocking reagent contains only phosphatase inhibitors that prevent dephosphorylation of phosphorylated proteins from active serine/threonine andtyrosine phosphatases The lysis buffer is effective for creating cell extract under non denaturing conditionsfrom both plated cells and cells pelleted from suspension cultures.
Using the two-plate assay <b>manual</b> , a low signal can often be improvedby adjusting lysis volumes.	In most cases, a typical adherent cell line grown in 96-well plates is readily detected ina lysis volume of 50 $\mu$ L. However, the lysis volume can be adjusted from 25 $\mu$ L to 200 $\mu$ L.
Using an improper cell density can induce poor sensitivity and low signal	Check that the cell density is correct. Too high or low cell numbers can affect assayperformances.
Parameters such as cell density, stimulation time and lysis incubationtime should be optimized for each cell line used.	The assay can be used for many adherent and non-adherent cell types, including transfected cell lines and primary cells. However, the expression and phosphorylation of the readout of interesrcan vary from one cell line to another. Depending on the type of treatment, and the temperature, the stimulation time can vary widely. Becauseof this, we recommend a time course study to determine the optimal compound incubation time. Depending of the nature of your cells, lysis time may vary from <b>30'</b> to 1h. Because of this, we also recommend determination of the optimal time.
Fluorescence reading	Using an inappropriate set-up may seriously impair the results. For information about HTRF <sup>®</sup> compatible readers and for set-up recommendations, please visit our website at: www.revvity.com
Assaying for multiple targets from a single lysate.	The two-plate assay <b>manual</b> indicates the use of 16µL of lysate per well, whereas the 96-well cell culture microplate would generate $50\mu$ L (or more) of lysate. Therefore, a typical cell lysate can be assayed for many targets, given that temporal and expression level constraints can vary from one target to another.
Batch production of cell lysates example of T175 flask	General lab work - prior using Phospho- <b>IKKα</b> (Ser176/180) HTRF <sup>®</sup> kit: Day1: Dispense 8 million cells in T175cm2, add 25 mL of cell culture complete medium and incubate 2 days at 37°C, 5% CO2. Day3: cell stimulation Remove cell culture medium by aspiration, wash once (do not detach the cells), add 5 mL of agonist (1x) diluted in FCS free medium and incubate at 37 ° C, 5% CO2, for the optimized time. Day3: cell lysis Remove stimulation medium, wash once (do not detach the cells), add 3 ml of 1X HTRF <sup>®</sup> lysis buffer supplemented with the HTRF <sup>®</sup> blocking reagent for 30 min at Room Temperature under orbital shaking. Transfer the cell lysate to a 15 mL vial, centrifuge 10 min, 2400 rcf at RT, recover cell lysate supernatant and store aliquots at -60°C or below. For long term conservation, aliquots should be stored in liquid nitrogen.

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