

Mouse Mitochondrial DNA Copy Number Assay Kit
(44 reactions)

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Store at -20°C.
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Introduction: This DNA analysis kit is for the determination of mouse mitochondrial DNA copy number, *in vivo* and *in vitro*, by the comparison of mitochondrial (mt) and nuclear (n) DNA measured by real-time PCR.

Kit Contents:

- 96 well PCR plate
- rtPCR reaction mix.
- Validated primers (10 µM) to quantify mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA).
- Validated primers (10 µM) to quantify nuclear DNA (nDNA).
- Positive control [2.5 ng/ µl] (isolated total DNA from liver of B6 mouse).

Not Included in Kit:

- DNA isolation Kit
- Nuclease-free water
- PCR Tubes and Caps

Thermal cycler program:

- Preprogram PCR machine for this profile:
 - a. 95°C, 10 min
(40 Cycles)
 - b. 95°C, 15 sec
 - c. 60°C, 60 sec

Real time PCR procedure: The following procedure is for each 20 µL reaction. Increase all amounts proportionally according to the total number of tubes.

- Per PCR tube (20 µL Rx), mix the following:
 - a. 1 µL forward primer
 - b. 1 µL reverse primer
 - c. 8 µL sample contain genomic DNA/ 8 µL of positive control
 - d. 10 µL rtPCR reaction mix

Recommended concentration: Between 0.3 to 5.0 ng/µL

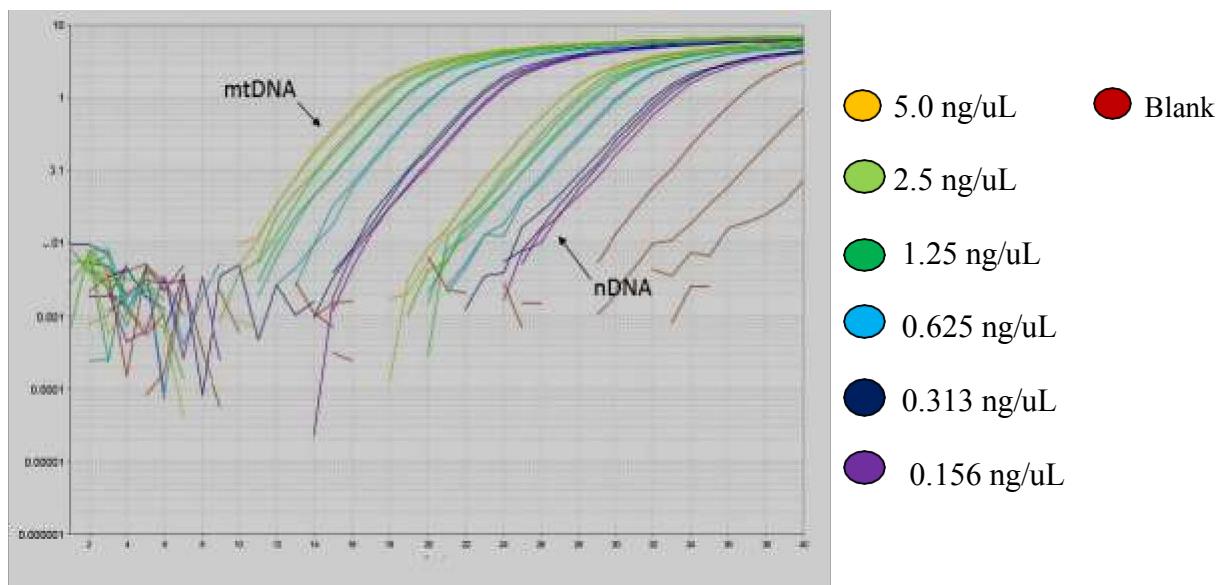
How to Calculate Mitochondrial Copy Number:

$$\Delta Ct_1 = Ct(\text{mitochondria-control}) - Ct(\text{nucleus-control})$$

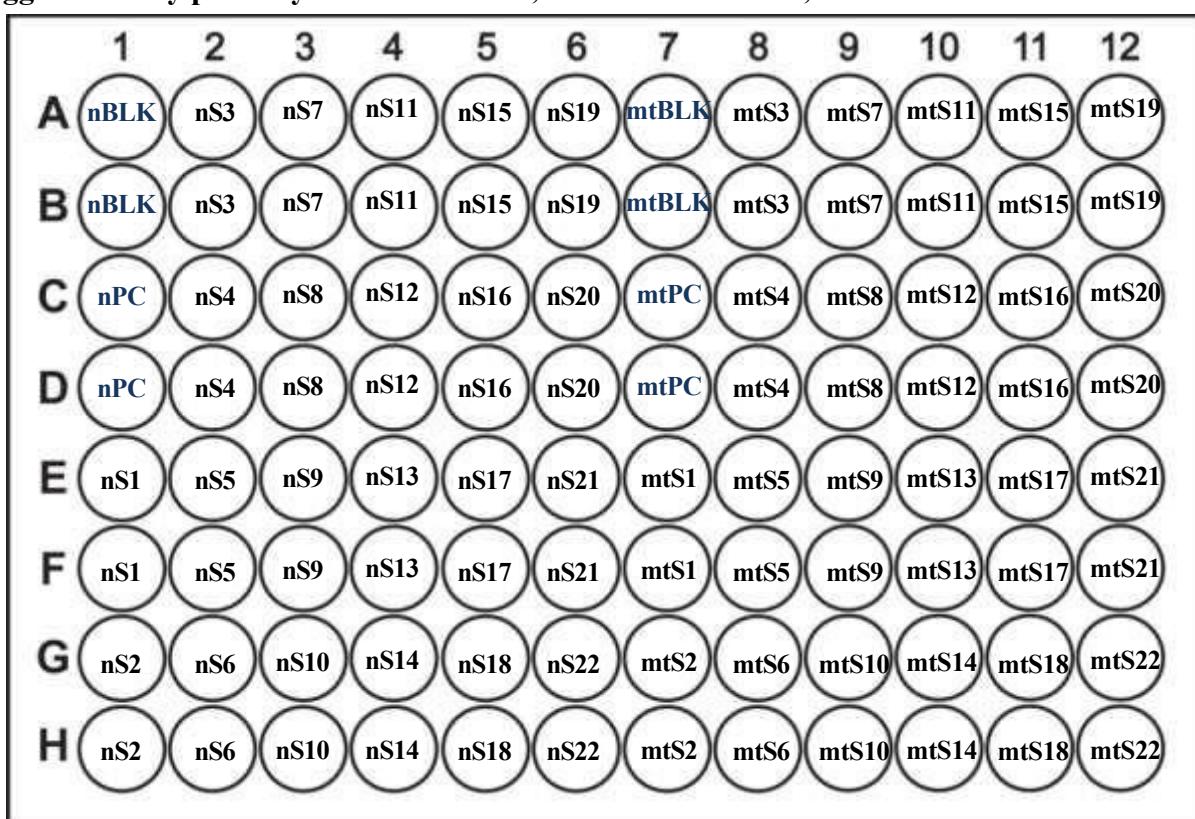
$$\Delta Ct_2 = Ct(\text{mitochondrial-experimental}) - Ct(\text{nucleus-experimental})$$

$\Delta\Delta Ct$ = Sample ΔCt – average ΔCt control
 mtDNA fold change = $2^{-\Delta\Delta Ct}$

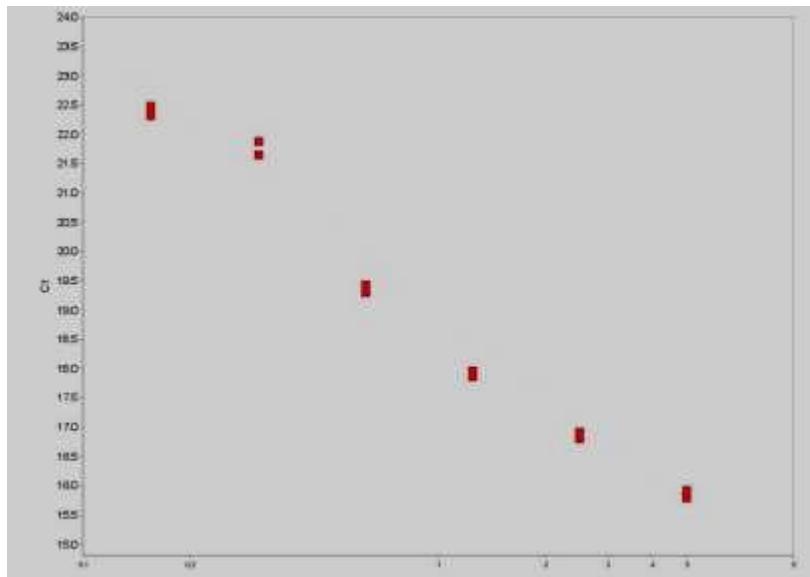
Total DNA isolated from mouse liver



Suggested assay plate layout: n = nucleus; mt = mitochondria; BLK = blank



Plot of C_T versus DNA concentration



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