

**Human DNA Damage Analysis Kit**  
**Real-Time PCR DNA Quantification**  
**following QPCR**  
(40 reactions)

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**Introduction:** This DNA damage analysis kit is for the determination of damaged 8.8 kb mitochondrial DNA *in vivo* and *in vitro* in human by quantification of the replicated DNA with real-time PCR following QPCR analysis. This kit allows for duplicate analysis of up to 20 samples (40 reactions).

**Contents:**

- 2X concentrated QPCR buffer containing polymerase (450 µL)
- QPCR primer mix [2 µM each for forward and reverse primers] (225 µL)
- QPCR test DNA [50 ng/µL] (10 µL)
- 5X Enhancer (180 µL)
- 8.2 kb real-time standard [1 ng/uL] (25 µL)
- Real-time primer mix [5 µM each for forward and reverse primers] (100 µL)

**Not Included in Kit:**

- SYBR Green Mix (can be purchased separately)
- Nuclease-free water
- PCR Tubes and Caps

**1. QPCR thermal cycler procedure**

- Preprogram PCR machine for this profile:
  - a. 98°C, 30 sec
  - b. 98°C, 10 sec
  - c. 68°C, 10 sec
  - d. 72°C, 4 min
  - e. 30 cycles (steps b to d)
  - f. 72°C, 10 min
  - g. 4°C

**Procedure:** The following procedure is for each 20 µL reaction. Increase all amounts proportionally according to the total tube number.

- Per PCR tube (20 µL Rx), mix the following:
  - a. 10.0 µL 2X QPCR concentrated buffer
  - b. 4.0 µL 5 X Enhancer
  - c. 5.0 µL QPCR primer mix (2 µM each primer, forward/reverse)
  - d. 1.0 µL DNA (50 ng/µL)

## 2. Real-Time PCR procedure (for 20 $\mu$ L real-time PCR reaction)

- **It is recommended that the PCR DNA product from QPCR be diluted 10-fold with nuclease free water prior to proceeding with the real-time PCR step.**
- Mix the following:
  - 10  $\mu$ L SYBR green mix (Not included in the kit)
  - 8.1  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O (nuclease-free)
  - 0.9  $\mu$ L real-time primer mix (5  $\mu$ M each primer)
  - 1.0  $\mu$ L DNA sample (PCR-products from above QPCR)
- For the 8.8 kb standard curve, the following optimized DNA concentrations are recommended:
  - 2 ng /2  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O\*\*
  - 200 pg /2  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O
  - 20 pg /2  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O
  - 2 pg /2  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O
  - 0.2 pg /2  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O
  - 0.02 pg /2  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O
  - 0 pg/2  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O

\*\*8.8 kb real time standard

### **Recommended Real Time PCR Program**

- a) 50°C 2 min
- b) 95°C 10 min
- (program 40 cycles of c and d)**
- c) 95°C 15 sec
- d) 60°C 60 sec

### **Calculation:**

Create a standard curve using the threshold cycle value ( $C_T$ ) and the DNA concentration (log scale) of each of the 8.8 kb standards. Using linear regression analysis, determine the DNA concentration of your sample based on the  $C_T$  value you obtained by PCR . A High level of 8.8 kb product represents less mtDNA damage.

