

Rat 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 8.2 kb mitochondrial DNA *in vivo* and *in vitro* in rat 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 (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. 63°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)

*Vortex stock buffer before aliquoting for reaction

2. Real-Time PCR procedure (for 20 μ L real-time PCR reaction)

- **It is recommended that the PCR DNA product from QPCR be diluted 10 folds with nuclease free water prior to proceeding with the real-time PCR step.**
- Mix the following:
 - 10 μ L SYBR green mix (Not included in the kit)
 - 7.1 μ L H₂O (nuclease-free)
 - 0.9 μ L real-time primer mix (5 μ M each primer)
 - 2.0 μ L DNA sample (PCR-products from above QPCR)
- For the 8.2 kb standard curve, the following optimized DNA concentrations are recommended:
 - 2 ng /2 μ L H₂O**
 - 200 pg /2 μ L H₂O
 - 20 pg /2 μ L H₂O
 - 2 pg /2 μ L H₂O
 - 0.2 pg /2 μ L H₂O
 - 0.02 pg /2 μ L H₂O
 - 0 pg/2 μ L H₂O

**8.2 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 8.2 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 8.2 kb product represents less mtDNA damage.

