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# **Product Information**

DMPK, Active, GST-tagged, human Precisio™ Kinase recombinant, expressed in *Sf*9 cells

Catalog Number **D0821**Lot Number 109K0827
Storage Temperature –70 °C

Synonyms: Myotonic Dystrophy Protein Kinase, DM, DM1, DMK, MDPK, DM1PK, MT-PK

### **Product Description**

DMPK is a serine-threonine kinase that is closely related to other kinases that interact with members of the Rho family of small GTPases. DMPK protein has a leucine-rich domain at the N-terminus, a serine/threonine kinase domain in the middle, and a hydrophobic region at the C-terminus. The N-terminus of DMPK plays an important role in DMPK kinase activity and the C-terminus of DMPK determines the intracellular localization of the protein. Myotonic dystrophy type 1 is an autosomal dominant disease caused by a trinucleotide repeat-expansion, cytosine-thymine-guanine (CTG)n, in the 3' untranslated region of DMPK.

This recombinant product was expressed by baculovirus in *Sf*9 insect cells using an N-terminal GST-tag. The gene accession number is NM 004409. It is supplied in 50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.5, with 150 mM NaCl, 0.25 mM DTT, 0.1 mM EGTA, 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.1 mM PMSF, and 25% glycerol.

Molecular mass: ~105 kDa

Purity: ≥70% (SDS-PAGE, see Figure 1)

Specific Activity: 3.8–5.3 nmole/min/mg (see Figure 2)

## **Precautions and Disclaimer**

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

### Storage/Stability

The product ships on dry ice and storage at  $-70~^{\circ}$ C is recommended. After opening, aliquot into smaller quantities and store at  $-70~^{\circ}$ C. Avoid repeated handling and multiple freeze/thaw cycles.

Figure 1.

SDS-PAGE Gel of Lot Number 109K0827

>80% (densitometry)

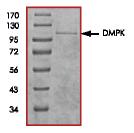
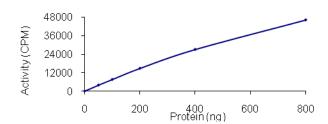


Figure 2.
Specific Activity of Lot Number 109K0827:
4.5 nmole/min/mg



## **Procedure**

# **Preparation Instructions**

Kinase Assay Buffer – 25 mM MOPS, pH 7.2, 12.5 mM glycerol 2-phosphate, 25 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 5 mM EGTA, and 2 mM EDTA. Just prior to use, add DTT to a final concentration of 0.25 mM.

Kinase Dilution Buffer – Dilute the Kinase Assay Buffer 5-fold with a 50 ng/μl BSA.

Kinase Solution – Dilute the Active DMPK ( $0.1 \,\mu g/\mu l$ ) with Kinase Dilution Buffer to the desired concentration. Note: The lot-specific specific activity plot may be used as a guideline (see Figure 2). It is recommended that the researcher perform a serial dilution of Active DMPK kinase for optimal results.

10 mM ATP Stock Solution – Dissolve 55 mg of ATP in 10 ml of Kinase Assay Buffer. Store in 200  $\mu$ l aliquots at –20 °C.

 $\gamma$ -<sup>32</sup>P-ATP Assay Cocktail (250 μM) – Combine 5.75 ml of Kinase Assay Buffer, 150 μl of 10 mM ATP Stock Solution, 100 μl of  $\gamma$ -<sup>32</sup>P-ATP (1 mCi/100 μl). Store in 1 ml aliquots at –20 °C.

Substrate Solution – Dissolve the synthetic peptide substrate (KKSRGDYMTMQIG) in water at a final concentration of 1 mg/ml.

1% phosphoric acid solution – Dilute 10 ml of concentrated phosphoric acid to a final volume of 1 L with water.

# Kinase Assay

This assay involves the use of the <sup>32</sup>P radioisotope. All institutional guidelines regarding the use of radioisotopes should be followed.

- 1. Thaw the Active DMPK, Kinase Assay Buffer, Substrate Solution, and Kinase Dilution Buffer on ice. The  $\gamma$ -32P-ATP Assay Cocktail may be thawed at room temperature.
- 2. In a pre-cooled microcentrifuge tube, add the following solutions to a volume of 20  $\mu$ l:

10 μl of Kinase Solution

 $5 \,\mu l$  of Substrate Solution

5 μl of cold water (4 °C)

- 3. Set up a blank control as outlined in step 2, substituting 5  $\mu$ l of cold water (4 °C) for the Substrate Solution.
- 4. Initiate each reaction with the addition of 5  $\mu$ l of the  $\gamma$ - $^{32}$ P-ATP Assay Cocktail, bringing the final reaction volume to 25  $\mu$ l. Incubate the mixture in a water bath at 30 °C for 15 minutes.
- 5. After the 15 minute incubation, stop the reaction by spotting 20  $\mu$ l of the reaction mixture onto an individually precut strip of phosphocellulose P81 paper.

- Air dry the precut P81 strip and sequentially wash in the 1% phosphoric acid solution with constant gentle stirring. It is recommended the strips be washed a total of 3 times of ~10 minutes each.
- 7. Set up a radioactive control to measure the total  $\gamma$ - $^{32}$ P-ATP counts introduced into the reaction. Spot 5  $\mu$ l of the  $\gamma$ - $^{32}$ P-ATP Assay Cocktail on a precut P81 strip. Dry the sample for 2 minutes and read the counts. Do not wash this sample.
- 8. Count the radioactivity on the P81 paper in the presence of scintillation fluid in a scintillation counter.
- 9. Determine the corrected cpm by subtracting the blank control value (see step 3) from each sample and calculate the kinase specific activity

## Calculations:

1. Specific Radioactivity (SR) of ATP (cpm/nmole)

SR =  $\frac{\text{cpm of 5} \ \mu \text{l of } \gamma^{-32} \text{P-ATP Assay Cocktail}}{\text{nmole of ATP}}$ cpm – value from control (step 7)
nmole – 1.25 nmole (5  $\mu$ l of 250  $\mu$ M ATP Assay Cocktail)

2. Specific Kinase Activity (SA) (nmole/min/mg)

nmole/min/mg = 
$$\Delta$$
cpm × (25/20)  
SR × E × T

SR = specific radioactivity of the ATP (cpm/nmole ATP)  $\Delta$ cpm = cpm of the sample – cpm of the blank (step 3) 25 = total reaction volume

20 = spot volume

T = reaction time (minutes)

E = amount of enzyme (mg)

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