

ChemiScreen[™] CALCIUM-OPTIMIZED STABLE CELL LINE HUMAN RECOMBINANT GPR68/OGR1 PROTON-SENSING RECEPTOR

CATALOG NUMBER: HTS153C QUANTITY: 2 vials, 1 mL per vial

LOT NUMBER: CONCENTRATION: 2 x 10⁶ cells/mL

BACKGROUND:

GPR68, also known as OGR1 (ovarian cancer G-protein-coupled receptor 1), was initially thought to be a receptor for sphingosylphosphorylcholine, although these results are controversial. Subsequent studies indicated that GPR68/OGR1 functions as a G_q -coupled sensor for extracellular pH, with maximal signaling occurring at pH of 7 or below (Ludwig et al., 2003; Tomura et al., 2005). Expression of GPR68/OGR1 is upregulated during RANKL-induced osteoclast differentiation, and knockdown of GPR68/OGR1 expression inhibits this differentiation process (Yang et al., 2006). Chemicon's cloned human GPR68-expressing cell line is made in the Chem-1 host, which supports high levels of recombinant GPR68 expression on the cell surface and contains high levels of the promiscuous G protein $G\alpha15$ to enhance coupling of the receptor to the calcium signaling pathway. Thus, the cell line is an ideal tool for screening for antagonists of interactions between GPR68 and its ligands.

APPLICATIONS: Calcium flux assay, ligand binding assays

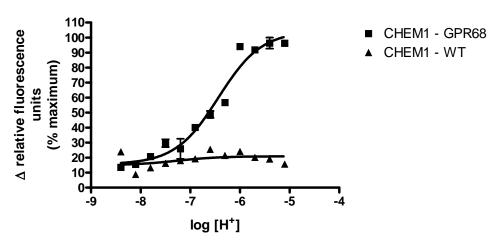


Figure 1. Calcium flux in GPR68–expressing Chem-1 cell line induced by proton concentration. GPR68–expressing Chem-1 cells and Wild-Type Chem-1 cells (Chemicon catalog # HTSCHEM-1) were loaded with Fluo-4 and calcium flux in response to pH (5.1-8.4) was determined in triplicate on a Molecular Devices FLIPR TETRATM.

SPECIFICATIONS: EC50 for calcium mobilization by pH: 6.4

HOST CELLS: Chem-1, an adherent cell line expressing the promiscuous G-protein, $G\alpha 15$.

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TRANSFECTION: Full-length human GPR68 cDNA encoding OGR₁ (Accession Number: NM 003485)

GROWTH MEDIA: DMEM containing 4.5 g/L glucose/10% heat inactivated fetal bovine serum/1x nonessential amino acids/10 mM HEPES/0.25 mg/ml Geneticin (G418)/100 U/ml each penicillin and streptomycin

PRESENTATION:

Cells are frozen at 2 x 10^6 cells/mL in DMEM/20% fetal bovine serum/100 U/ml penicillin and streptomycin/10% DMSO. Cell line tests negative for mycoplasma.

STORAGE/HANDLING:

Place cells in liquid nitrogen immediately upon receipt. Maintain frozen in liquid nitrogen for up to 5 years. Thaw cells rapidly by removing from liquid nitrogen and immediately immersing in a 37°C water bath. Immediately after ice has thawed, sterilize the exterior of the vial with 70% ethanol. Transfer contents of the vial to a T75 flask containing 20 mL growth media, and place in a humidified 37°C incubator with 5% CO₂.. After 8-24 h, cells will adhere to the plate, at which time the media should be replaced to remove residual DMSO. Cells are passaged by washing with Ca⁺⁺ and Mg⁺⁺-free HBSS (10 mL/T75), incubating with 0.05% trypsin/0.2 g/L EDTA (1 mL/T75) for 5-10 minutes at 37°C, and rapping the side of the flask to dislodge the cells. Neutralize the trypsin by addition of 4 volumes growth media. Cells are typically passaged 1:10 with every 3-4 days, and should be passaged at least once after thawing prior to use in calcium flux assays.

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