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# **Product Information**

SGK3, active, GST-tagged, human PRECISIO® Kinase recombinant, expressed in *Sf*9 cells

Catalog Number **S6823** Lot Number 041M0968 Storage Temperature –70 °C

Synonyms: CISK, SGKL

## **Product Description**

SGK3 is a member of the SGK family and encodes a phosphoprotein with a PX (phox homology) domain. PKD1 can phosphorylate and activate SGK3 *in vitro*. <sup>1</sup> A 10-fold increase in PKD1 increases the phosphorylation status of SGK3. When expressed in human embryonic kidney cells, IGF1 and peroxide significantly activate SGK3 and the activation could be reduced by preincubation with inhibitors of PI3 kinase. A yeast 2-hybrid screen found direct interaction between human SGK3 and GSK3β. SGK3 phosphorylates several target proteins and has a role in neutral amino acid transport and activation of potassium and chloride channels. <sup>2</sup>

This recombinant product was expressed by baculovirus in *Sf*9 insect cells using an N-terminal GST-tag. The gene accession number is NM 013257. 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: ~82 kDa

Purity: ≥70% (SDS-PAGE, see Figure 1)

Specific Activity: 66-90 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.

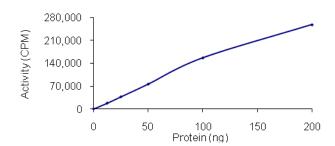
## Storage/Stability

The product ships on dry ice and storage at -70 °C is recommended. After opening, aliquot into smaller quantities and store at -70 °C. Avoid repeated handling and multiple freeze/thaw cycles.

Figure 1.
SDS-PAGE Gel of Lot Number 041M0968: >80% (densitometry)



**Figure 2.**Specific Activity of Lot Number 041M0968: 80 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 and 5% glycerol solution.

Kinase Solution – Dilute the active SGK3 (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 the researcher perform a serial dilution of active SGK3 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 (CKRPRAASFAE) 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 SGK3, 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

10 μl of Substrate Solution

- 3. Set up a blank control as outlined in step 2, substituting 10  $\mu$ 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.
- After the 15 minute incubation, stop the reaction by spotting 20 μl 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 μl of 250 μM ATP Assav 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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