

Active Recombinant Caspases-Group I

CATALOG #: K241-3-25

LOT #: _____

PACKAGE CONTENT:

Description	Amount	Cap Color	Part Number
Recombinant Caspase-1	25 units	Yellow	1081-25
Recombinant Caspase-4	25 units	Orange	1084-25
Recombinant Caspase-5	25 units	Clear	1085-25

FORM: Lyophilized powder

RECONSTITUTION: Reconstitute to 1 unit/μl in PBS containing 15 % glycerol.

UNIT DEFINITION:

One unit of the active recombinant caspase-1, -4, -5 is the enzyme activity that cleaves 1 nmol of the caspase substrate YVAD-pNA (for caspase-1) and WEHD-pNA (for caspase-4 & -5), respectively, per hour at 37°C in a reaction solution containing 50 mM Hepes, pH 7.2, 50 mM NaCl, 0.1 % Chaps, 10 mM EDTA, 5 % Glycerol, and 10 mM DTT.

STORAGE CONDITIONS:

The lyophilized recombinant caspases are stable for 1 year at –70°C. Following reconstitution in PBS, enzymes should be aliquoted and immediately stored at –70°C. Avoid multiple freeze/thaw cycles as activity might decrease.

SCIENTIFIC BACKGROUND:

The caspase family consists of more than 10 members. Based on their extended substrate specificities, these enzymes were divided into three major groups: Group I (contains caspase-1, -4, -5), Group II (contains caspase-2, -3, -7), and Group III (contains caspase-6, -8, -9, -10). Evidences have suggested that Group I caspases are involved primarily in the production of inflammatory cytokines, while group II and III enzymes function in apoptosis as effectors and upstream activators, respectively. The group I caspases were expressed in *E. coli* and routinely tested for their ability to enzymatically cleave the substrate YVAD-pNA (for caspase-1) and WEHD-pNA (for caspase-4 & -5).

APPLICATIONS AND USAGE:

Active recombinant caspases are useful in screening caspase inhibitors, studying enzyme kinetics and regulation, determining target substrates, and as positive controls in caspase activity assays and Western blot analysis. We recommend using 1 unit per assay for analyzing caspase activity.

For a complete caspase activity assay protocol, please refer to BioVision's Fluorometric or Colorimetric Caspase Assay Kits.

FOR RESEARCH USE ONLY! Not to be used in humans.

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- Caspase Assay Kits & Reagents
- Mitochondrial Apoptosis Kits & Reagents
- Nuclear Apoptosis Kits & Reagents
- Apoptosis Inducers and Set
- Apoptotic Cell Isolation Kit

Cell Fractionation System

- Mitochondria/Cytosol Fractionation Kit
- Nuclear/Cytosol Fractionation Kit
- Membrane Protein Extraction Kit
- Cytosol/Particulate Rapid Separation Kit
- Mammalian Cell Extraction Kit
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- PLTP Activity Assay & Drug Discovery Kits
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