

HISTONE KINASE ASSAY (M. Fero)

1. To 1.5 mL eppendorf tubes add:
 - 400 μ g of protein
 - 500 μ L with RIPA (with protease and phosphatase inhibitors).
 - Primary antibody (amount determined empirically, approx 10x that needed for westerns)
2. Vortex and incubate on ice for 30 min.
3. Meanwhile wash Protein A- Sepharose beads (40 μ L x # of rxns) with RIPA twice. (Cut off ends of pipetman tips, spin down beads, aspirate supernatant)
4. Resuspend beads in 1 vol. of RIPA and add 30 μ L to each reaction (a lot is lost on tips) Vortex, rotate in cold room for 1 hr.
5. Wash beads twice with RIPA, then once with Histone Wash Buffer.
6. Add 30 μ L of Histone Assay solution. Incubate at 37°C for exactly 30 min. Mix every 10 min.
7. Stop reaction by adding 15 μ L of 4x sample buffer. Heat on 95°C block for 5 min. (Can be stored at 4°C o.n.)
8. Spin down beads and load supernatant on a 12% SDS acrylamide gel. Run off the dye front (150 v. x 45 min.)
9. Rinse gel in water. Stain with Coumassie x15 min. Destain for 1-2 hrs. (This will fix the proteins into the gel).
10. Wrap in Saran and expose to X-ray film at 4°C with intensifying screens.

SOLUTIONS

Histone Wash Buffer	Histone Assay Solution (10 rxns)	[Final]
25 mM Tris HCl pH 7.5	320 μ L Histone Wash buffer	-
70 mM NaCl	18 μ L, 2 μ g/ μ L Histone H1	0.1 μ g/ μ L
10 mM MgCl ₂	7 μ L, 500mM cold ATP	10 μ M
1 mM DTT	7 μ L, 10 μ Ci/ μ L ³² P- γ ATP	0.2 μ Ci/ μ L

RIPA: See Western blot protocol

4x Sample Buffer: See Red protocol book.

You need to check the protease & phosphatase inhibitors.

*Vanadate
pyrophosphate
leupeptin
pepstatin
aprotinin
PMSF*