

SARS-CoV-2 Pseudoviral Particles, D614G

Cat. No. SARS-CoV-2-08PsV **Lot. No.** (See product label)

SPECIFICATION

Our SARS-CoV-2 Pseudoviral Particles are replication-deficient MLV pseudotyped with the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein. They also contain the ORF for firefly luciferase as a reporter. They establish a pseudovirus entry assay for SARS-CoV-2 as the S protein mediated cell entry can be conveniently measured via the luciferase reporter activity. This pseudovirus assay isolates the SARS-CoV-2 viral entry from other steps of the viral infection cycle.

Product Overview

A new SARS-CoV-2 strain with an amino acid change at position 614 from Asp to Gly in the viral S protein predominated over time in locales where it was found. It is reported by the Choe lab in The Scripps Research Institute that this currently dominate new strain with the D614G variation in the S protein "reduces S1 shedding and increases infectivity". To support the study of this new SARS-CoV-2 strain, we established this SARS-CoV-2-614G Pseudoviral Particles with the spike protein carrying the 614G genotype (Genbank Accession # YP_009724390.1, p.614D->G).

Species

SARS-CoV-2

Description

It has been known that SARS coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) uses human ACE2 as entry receptor and human proteases as entry activators. The virus surface spike protein (S) mediates SARS-CoV-2 entry into cells. To fulfill its function, SARS CoV-2 spike binds to its human ACE2 (hACE2) receptor through its receptor-binding domain (RBD) and is proteolytically activated by human proteases.

Usage

Note: requires a luciferase assay reagent.
Cell Infection:

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1. Count HEK293-ACE2 cells to be infected and seed ~20K cells per well into 96-well plates (50 μ L per well) DMEM with 10% Serum (no antibiotics) or 5K cells per well into 384-well plates (15 μ L per well).
2. Culture cells overnight to make sure the cells stably adhere to the plates.
3. On the 2nd day, remove media, add 50 μ L SARS-CoV-2 pseudoviral particles into each well (12.5 μ L for 384-well plate). Spin at 700 rpm for 15 min at 4 centigrade.
*Note: thaw the pseudoviral particles quickly in the room temperature water (< 30 minutes, do not shake) and use right away. Discard the unused portion (do not re-freeze or leave it on ice for later use).
4. Incubate for 2 hrs at 37 centigrade.
5. Add 50 μ L DMEM with 10% FC into each well (12.5 μ L for 384-well plates).
6. Incubate for 48 hrs at 37 centigrade.

Measurement of Luciferase Activity in Infected Cells

1. Do not remove medium. Add 100 μ L luciferase assay WORKING SOLUTION (25 μ L for 384-well plate) directly into each well.
2. Read in a luminescence plate reader and record the data.

Applications

Our Pseudovirus Particles generate robust chemiluminescent signals in cell assays when coupled with our firefly luciferase assay kit, useful for:

- 1) screening potential inhibitor to block SARS-CoV-2 entry and viral protein translation;
- 2) measuring the activity of and screening for neutralizing antibody against SARS-CoV-2-614G.

Shelf Life

Six months from the date of shipping when stored at -70 centigrade.

Features

Robust: Excellent signal to noise (basal) ratio
Easy to use: Amenable to HTS format (96-well, 384-well and 1536-well format)

Storage

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Shipping	Shipped on dry ice.
Pseudoviral Particle (PP) Infection Assays	
Illustration of the replication-deficient MLV particle pseudotyped with SARS-CoV-2 Spike protein	
SARS-CoV-2 Viral Infection Inhibiting Test by Neutralization Antibodies.	HEK293-ACE2 cells incubated with SARS-CoV-2 Pseudoviral Particles under various amount of neutralizing antibodies.

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