

# Data Sheet BACE1 FRET Assay Kit Catalog # 71656

**DESCRIPTION:** Bace1 ( $\beta$ -secretase 1) is an aspartic protease that is involved in the processing of the Amyloid precursor protein (APP). Cleavage of APP by BACE1 followed by  $\gamma$ -secretase results in  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide production, which ultimately leads toxic A $\beta$  accumulation. In Alzheimer's disease (AD), it has been widely accepted that A $\beta$  aggregation plays a critical role in AD pathogenesis, suggesting that BACE1 could be a potential target to treat AD. The *BACE1 FRET Assay Kit* is designed to measure BACE1 activity for screening and profiling applications based on fluorescence resonance energy transfer (FRET) using a labeled peptide substrate (below). The BACE1 FRET Assay Kit comes in a convenient 96-well format, with enough purified recombinant human BACE1 enzyme, BACE1 FRET peptide substrate, and assay buffer for 100 enzyme reactions.

### COMPONENTS:

Catalog #	Reagent	Amount	Storage	
71657	BACE1	20 µg	-80°C	Avoid
	BACE1 assay buffer	12 ml	4°C	multiple
	BACE1 FRET peptide substrate	100 µl	-80°C	freeze/
	96-well plate, black	1	Room Temp.	thaw cycles!



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## MATERIALS OR INSTRUMENTS REQUIRED BUT NOT SUPPLIED:

Microplate reader capable of reading fluorescence Adjustable micropipettor and sterile tips

**APPLICATIONS:** Useful for studying enzyme kinetics and screening small molecular inhibitors for drug discovery and HTS applications.

**STABILITY:** Up to 6 months when stored as recommended.

REFERENCE: Ghosh, A.K., et al. J. Neurochemistry 120(suppl. 1):71-83 (2012)

### ASSAY PROTOCOL:

All samples and controls should be tested in duplicate.

- Thaw BACE1 assay buffer and BACE1 FRET peptide substrate.
  (Once BACE1 assay buffer is thawed, it can be stored at 4°C. Please be sure that BACE1 assay buffer is at room temperature before use in the assay)
- Prepare the master mixture (70 μl per well): N wells x (69 μl BACE1 assay buffer + 1 μl BACE1 FRET peptide substrate). Add 70 μl to every well.

	Positive Control	Test Inhibitor	Blank
BACE1 assay buffer	69 µl	69 µl	89 µl
BACE1 FRET peptide substrate	1 µl	1 µl	1 µl
Test Inhibitor	_	10 µl	_
Inhibitor Buffer (no inhibitor)	10 µl	_	10 µl
BACE1 (7.5-10 ng/µl)	20 µl	20 µl	_
Total	100 µl	100 µl	100 µl

Immediately after adding the master mix, cover plate with aluminum foil, and try to keep the plate in the dark as much as possible.

- Add 10 μl of Inhibitor solution of each well labeled as "Test Inhibitor". For the "Positive Control" and "Blank", add 10 μl of the same solution without inhibitor. Note: the BACE1 FRET assay kit can be used with up to 1% DMSO final concentration.
- 4) To the wells designated as "Blank", add 20 µl of BACE1 assay buffer.

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- 5) Thaw BACE1 enzyme on ice. Upon first thaw, briefly spin tube containing enzyme to recover full contents of the tube. Calculate the amount of BACE1 required for the assay and dilute enzyme to ~7.5-10 ng/µl with BACE1 assay buffer. Store remaining undiluted enzyme in aliquots at -80°C. <u>Note</u>: BACE1 enzyme is sensitive to freeze/thaw cycles. Avoid multiple freeze/thaw cycles. Do not re-use thawed aliquots or diluted enzyme.
- Initiate reaction by adding 20 µl of diluted BACE1 enzyme to the wells designated "Positive Control" and "Test Inhibitor Control".
- 7) Read the plate using a plate reader capable of detecting fluorescence.

Continuous fluorescence reading is highly recommended, although end point reading could also be applicable.

For continuous reading, set up the microplate reader as "Kinetic mode" and read fluorescence for 20 min at Ex 320 nm/Em 405 nm.

For end point reading, read the fluorescence at Ex 320 nm/Em 405 nm immediately after adding BACE1 and read again after incubating the plate for 20 minutes at room temperature)

 For continuous reading, the slope represents BACE1 activity while ΔF=F<sub>t</sub> - F<sub>0</sub> (F<sub>t</sub>: Fluorescence at time t, F<sub>0</sub>: Fluorescence at time zero) indicates BACE1 activity in end point reading.

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## Example of Assay Results:



Continuous monitoring of BACE1 activity (left) and inhibition of BACE1 activity by Verubecestat (right) measured using the BACE1 FRET assay kit (Cat. #71656). *Data shown is lot-specific. For lot-specific information, please contact BPS Bioscience, Inc. at info@bpsbioscience.com* 

RELATED PRODUCTS:		
Product Name	Catalog #	<u>Size</u>
BACE1, His-Tag Protein	71657	100 µg
Anti-β-Amyloid, Plaque Neutralizing Antibody	71223	100 µg
Tau-316 Protein	90327	20 µg
Tau-352 Protein	90328	20 µg
Tau-381 Protein	90329	20 µg
Tau-383 Protein	90311	20 µg
Tau-383 (N352H) Protein	90310	20 µg
Tau-410 Protein	90312	20 µg
Tau-412 Protein	90313	20 µg
Tau-441 (1-421) Protein	90314	20 µg
Tau-441 (A152T) Protein	90341	20 µg
Tau-441 (dK280) Protein	90342	20 µg
Tau-441 (dN296) Protein	90343	20 µg
Tau-441 (G272V) Protein	90344	20 µg
Tau-441 (K257T) Protein	90345	20 µg
Tau-441 (L266V) Protein	90346	20 µg
Tau-441 (N279K) Protein	90347	20 µg
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