NAD+/NADH Assay Kit (Colorimetric)

LS-K246-100 (100 Tests) • **Store at -20°C**

LSBio
LifeSpan BioSciences, Inc.

Introduction

Pyridine nucleotides play an important role in metabolism and, thus, there is continual interest in monitoring their concentration levels. Quantitative determination of NAD^+/NADH has applications in research pertaining to energy transformation and redox state of cells or tissue. Simple, direct and automation-ready procedures for measuring NAD^+/NADH concentration are very desirable. This NAD^+/NADH assay kit is based on a lactate dehydrogenase cycling reaction, in which the formed NADH reduces a formazan (MTT) reagent. The intensity of the reduced product color, measured at 565 nm, is proportional to the NAD^+/NADH concentration in the sample. This assay is highly specific for NAD^+/NADH and with minimal interference (<1%) by $NADP^+$/NADPH. Our assay is a convenient Method to measure NAD, NADH and their ratio.

Key Features

- Sensitive and accurate. Detection limit of 0.05 µM and linearity up to 10 µM NAD^+/NADH in 96-well plate assay.
- Convenient. The procedure involves adding a single working reagent, and reading the optical density at time zero and 15 min at room temperature.
- High-throughput. Can be readily automated as a high-throughput 96-well plate assay for thousands of samples per day.

Applications

- Direct Assays: NAD^+/NADH concentrations and ratios in cell or tissue extracts.

Components

Component	K246-100 100 Tests
Assay Buffer	10 mL
Enzyme A	120 µL
Enzyme B	120 µL
Lactate	1.5 mL
MTT Solution	1.5 mL
NAD Standard	0.5 mL
NAD(P)/NAD(P)H Extraction Buffers	12 mL (each)

Materials Not Supplied

Pipetting (multi-channel) devices. Clear-bottom 96-well plates (e.g. Corning Costar) and plate reader.

Storage

The kit is shipped on ice. Store all reagents at -20°C. Shelf life: 6 months after receipt.

NAD+/NADH Assay Kit (Colorimetric)

LS-K246-100 (100 Tests) • **Store at -20°C**

LSBio
LifeSpan BioSciences, Inc.

Assay Procedure

1. Sample Preparation. For tissues weigh ~20 mg tissue for each sample, wash with cold PBS. For cell samples, wash cells with cold PBS and pellet ~10^5 cells for each sample. Homogenize samples (either tissue or cells) in a 1.5 mL Eppendorf tube with either 100 µL NAD extraction buffer for NAD determination or 100 µL NADH extraction buffer for NADH determination. Heat extracts at 60°C for 5 min and then add 20 µL Assay Buffer and 100 µL of the opposite extraction buffer to neutralize the extracts. Briefly vortex and spin the samples down at 14,000 rpm for 5 min. Use supernatant for NAD/NADH assays. Determination of both NAD and NADH concentrations requires extractions from two separate samples.
2. Calibration Curve. Prepare 500 µL 10 µM NAD Premix by mixing 5 µL 1 mM Standard and 495 µL distilled water. Dilute standard as follows.

No	Premix + H_2O	NAD (µM)
1	100 µL + 0 µL	10
2	60 µL + 40 µL	6
3	30 µL + 70 µL	3
4	0 µL + 100 µL	0

   Transfer 40 µL standards into wells of a clear flat-bottom 96-well plate.
3. Samples. Add 40 µL of each sample in separate wells.
4. Reagent Preparation. For each well of reaction, prepare Working Reagent by mixing 60 µL Assay Buffer, 1 µL Enzyme A, 1 µL Enzyme B, 14 µL Lactate and 14 µL MTT. Fresh reconstitution is recommended.
5. Reaction. Add 80 µL Working Reagent per well quickly. Tap plate to mix briefly and thoroughly.
6. Read optical density (OD_0) for time "zero" at 565 nm (520-600nm) and OD_{15} after a 15-min incubation at room temperature.

Calculations

First compute the ΔOD for each standard and sample by subtracting OD_0 from OD_{15}. Plot the standard ΔOD's and determine the slope. The NAD(H) concentration of the sample is computed as follows:

$$[NAD(H)] = \frac{\Delta OD_{SAMPLE} - \Delta OD_{BLANK}}{Slope\ (\mu M^{-1})} \times n \quad (\mu M)$$

where ΔOD_{SAMPLE} and ΔOD_{BLANK} are the change in optical density values of the Sample and Blank (STD 4) respectively. Slope is the slope of the standard curve and *n* is the dilution factor (if necessary).

Note: If the sample ΔOD values are higher than the ΔOD value for the 10 µM standard, dilute sample in distilled water and repeat this assay. Multiply the results by the dilution factor.

NAD+/NADH Assay Kit (Colorimetric)

LS-K246-100 (100 Tests) • **Store at -20°C**

LSBio
LifeSpan BioSciences, Inc.

General Considerations

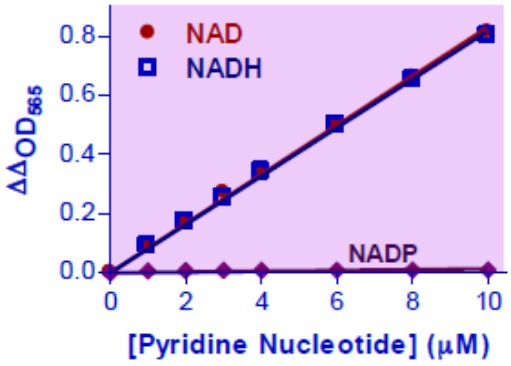
1. At these concentrations, the standard curves for NAD and NADH are identical. Since NADH in solution is unstable, we provide only NAD as the standard.

2. This assay is based on an enzyme-catalyzed kinetic reaction. Addition of Working Reagent should be quick and mixing should be brief but thorough. Use of multi-channel pipettor is recommended.

3. The following substances interfere and should be avoided in sample preparation. EDTA (>0.5 mM), ascorbic acid, SDS (>0.2%), sodium azide, NP-40 (>1%) and Tween-20 (>1%).

4. For samples containing higher than 100 µM pyruvate, we recommend using an internal standard.

Sample Data



Standard Curve in 96-well plate assay

Version: V.08.09.2018