LANCE *Ultra* JMJD2A Histone H3-Lysine 36 Demethylase Assay

U-TRF #41

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This LANCE *Ultra* immunodetection assay measures the demethylation of a biotinylated Histone H3 (21-44) peptide tri-methylated at lysine 36.

Europium-anti-di-methyl-Histone H3 Lysine 36 (H3K36me2) Antibody

- TRF0408-D: 10 μg, 1,562 assay points*
- TRF0408-M: 100 µg, 15,625 assay points*
- *40 fmol/assay point

Peptidic Substrate Sequence:

ATKAARKSAPATGGVK(me3)KPHRYRP-GG-K(Biotin)-OH

LANCE Ultra Assays

LANCE *Ultra* time-resolved fluorescence resonance energy transfer (TR-FRET) assays use a proprietary europium chelate donor dye, W1024 (Eu), together with $ULight^{TM}$, a small molecular weight acceptor dye with a red-shifted fluorescent emission.

In this technical note, we present the optimization of an epigenetic enzymatic assay using a biotinylated Histone H3-derived peptide as substrate. The modified peptide is captured by the Eu-labeled antibody (Eu-Ab) and ULight-Streptavidin (ULight- SA), which brings the Eu donor and ULight acceptor dye molecules into close proximity. Upon irradiation at 320 or 340 nm, the energy from the Eu donor is transferred to the ULight acceptor dye which, in turn, generates light at 665 nm. The intensity of the light emission is proportional to the level of biotinylated substrate modification.



Figure 1. Schematic representation of the LANCE *Ultra* detection of a modified histone peptide.



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Development of a JMJD2A Histone H3-Lysine 36 Demethylase Assay:

Reagents needed for the assay:

Europium-anti-di-methyl-Histone H3	
Lysine 36 (H3K36me2) Antibody	PerkinElmer # TRF0408
LANCE Ultra ULight-Streptavidin	PerkinElmer # TRF0102
Histone H3 (21-44), H3K36(me3)	
peptide, biotinylated	AnaSpec # 64441
LANCE Detection Buffer, 10X	PerkinElmer # CR97-100
JMJD2A (human), recombinant	BPS BioScience # 50103
White opaque OptiPlate™-384	PerkinElmer # 6007299
TopSeal™-A films	PerkinElmer # 6005185
lpha-Ketoglutaric acid potassium salt (20G)	Sigma # K2000
(+) Sodium L-ascorbate	Sigma # 11140
Ammonium iron(II) sulfate hexahydrate (Fe(II))	Sigma # 215406
2,4-Pyridinedicarboxylic acid (2,4-PDCA)	Sigma # P63395
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA)	Invitrogen #15575-038

Assay Buffer: 50 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 0.01% Tween-20 and 0.1% BSA

Experiment 1: Enzyme Titration and Time-Course



Enzymatic progress curves were performed by incubating JMJD2A at concentrations ranging from 0.125 to 2 nM with 250 nM biotinylated Histone H3K36me3 peptide substrate plus 100 μ M 2OG, 5 μ M Fe(II) and 100 μ M ascorbate. Reactions were stopped by the addition of EDTA at indicated. The Detection Mix was then added and signal was read after 60 min. A 30 min reaction time using 1 nM enzyme was selected for all subsequent experiments.

Experiment 2: 20G Titration



Serial dilutions of 2OG ranging from 10 nM to 1 mM were added to 1 nM JMJD2A and 250 nM biotinylated Histone H3K36me3 peptide substrate plus 5 μ M Fe(II) and 100 μ M ascorbate. A 5 μ M 2OG concentration was selected for subsequent experiments.

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Standard Protocol

- Dilute JMJD2A enzyme, 2OG, Fe(II), ascorbate, 2,4-PDCA (inhibitor) and biotinylated peptide substrate in Assay Buffer just before use.
- Add to the wells of a white OptiPlate-384:
 - 5 µL of inhibitor (2X) or Assay Buffer
 - 2.5 µL of enzyme (4X)
 - 2.5 μL of biotinylated Histone H3K36me3 peptide/20G/Fe(II)/ascorbate mix (4X).

For 20G titration, add 20G dilutions independently of substrate.

- Cover the plate with TopSeal-A film and incubate at room temperature (RT).
- Prepare a 4X Detection Mix by diluting the Eu-Ab to 8 nM and U*Light*-Streptavidin to 200 nM in 1X LANCE Detection Buffer (final concentrations of 2 nM and 50 nM, respectively, in 20 µL total assay volume).
- Prepare a 4X Stop Solution containing 4 mM EDTA in 1X LANCE Detection Buffer (final concentration of 1 mM in 20 µL total assay volume).
 - 5 µL of EDTA Stop Solution and incubate 5 min at RT
 - 5 µL of Detection Mix
- Cover with TopSeal-A film and incubate for 60 min at RT.
- Remove the TopSeal-A film and read signal with the EnVision[®] Multilabel Reader in TR-FRET mode (excitation at 320 or 340 nm & emission at 665 nm).

Experiment 3: Enzyme Inhibition



Serial dilutions of 2,4-PDCA ranging from 3 nM to 300 μM were pre-incubated for 15 min with 1 nM JMJD2A. Enzymatic reactions were initiated by the addition of 250 nM biotinylated Histone H3K36me3 peptide substrate plus 5 μM 20G, 5 μM Fe(II) and 100 μM ascorbate. Enzymatic reactions contain 2% DMSO.

Experiment 4: Z'-factor Determination



JMJD2A (1 nM) was pre-incubated with or without 100 μ M 2,4-PDCA for 15 min. Enzymatic reactions were initiated by the addition of 250 nM biotinylated Histone H3K36me3 peptide substrate plus 5 μ M 2OG, 5 μ M Fe(II) and 100 μ M ascorbate. Enzymatic reactions contain 2% DMSO.



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