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# Product datasheet

# Caspase 9 Assay Kit (Colorimetric) ab65608

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Overview

Product name Caspase 9 Assay Kit (Colorimetric)

**Detection method**Colorimetric

Sample type Tissue Extracts, Cell Lysate

**Assay type** Enzyme activity

Assay time 2h 00m

Species reactivity Reacts with: Mammals

Product overview Caspase 9 Assay Kit (Colorimetric) ab65608 provides a simple and convenient means for

assaying the activity of caspases that recognize the sequence LEHD.

 $\label{thm:caspase 9 assay is based on spectrophotometric detection of the chromophore p-nitroanilide$ 

(p-NA) after cleavage from the labeled substrate LEHD-p-NA. The p-NA light emission can be

quantified using a spectrophotometer or a microtiter plate reader at 400- or 405 nm.

**Notes**This product is manufactured by BioVision, an Abcam company and was previously called K119

Caspase-9 Colorimetric Assay Kit. K119-100 is the same size as the 100 test size of ab65608.

Activation of ICE-family proteases/caspases initiates apoptosis in mammalian cells.

Other caspase and apoptosis assays

Review the full set of <u>caspase assays</u>, or the <u>apoptosis assay and apoptosis marker guide</u>.

**Platform** Microplate reader

**Properties** 

**Storage instructions** Store at -20°C. Please refer to protocols.

Components	100 tests
2X Reaction Buffer I	4 x 2ml
Dilution Buffer II	1 x 100ml
DTTI	1 x 400µl

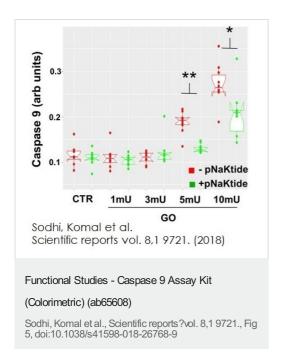
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Components	100 tests
LEHD-pNA	1 x 500µl
Lysis Buffer IV	1 x 100ml

#### Relevance

Caspases are cysteine proteases, expressed as inactive precursors, that mediate apoptosis by proteolysis of specific substrates. Caspases have the ability to cleave after aspartic acid residues. There are two classes of caspases involved in apoptosis; initiators (activation by receptor cluster) and effectors (activation by mitochondrial permeability transition). Proapoptotic signals autocatalytically activate initiator caspases, such as Caspase 8 and Caspase 9. Activated initiator caspases then process effector caspases, such as Caspase 3 and Caspase 7, which in turn cause cell collapse. Caspase 9 (also known as ICE like apoptotic protease 6 (ICE LAP6), apoptotic protease Mch6, and apoptotic protease activating factor 3 (Apaf3)) is a member of the peptidase family C14 that contains a CARD domain. It is active as a heterotetramer and has been reported to have two isoforms. ProCaspase 9 is approximately 47 kD. It is present in the cytosol and, upon activation, translocates to the mitochondria. Caspase 9 is involved in the caspase activation cascade responsible for apoptosis execution and cleaves/activates Caspase 3 and Caspase 6. It becomes activated when recruited to the Apaf1/cytochrome c complex.

#### **Images**



Caspase-9 activity measured by ab65608. N = 16/group,  $\Box p < 0.05$ ,  $\Box \Box p < 0.01$  vs. corresponding GO concentration groups without pNaKtide.

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