# Description

The NAMPT Inhibitor Screening Assay Kit is a 384-well fluorescent based assay designed to measure the activity of NAMPT (nicotinamide phosphoribosyltransferase) for screening and profiling applications. The kit contains enough purified NAMPT enzyme, NAMPT Assay Buffer, NAMPT Dilution Buffer, ATP, Nicotinamide, PRPP and ethanol for 384 enzyme reactions.

# Background

Nicotinamide phosphoribosyltransferase (NAMPT) catalyzes the formation of nicotinamide mononucleotide from nicotinamide and 5-phosphoribosyl-1-pyrophosphate (PRPP). It is the rate limiting enzyme in the mammalian NAD (nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide) biosynthesis pathway. NAMPT is thought to be involved in many important biological processes, including metabolism, stress response and aging. NAMPT is often overexpressed in cancer cells, an adaptation required to sustain the higher energetic need of the cells. In addition, it also plays roles in proliferation, invasion, stemness, angiogenesis, immune regulation, and drug resistance of tumors, making it an attractive target candidate for cancer therapy.

### Applications

Study enzyme kinetics and screen small molecule inhibitors for drug discovery and High Throughput Screen (HTS) applications.

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Catalog #	Name	Amount	Storage
91004	Human NAMPT (PBEF1), GST-Tag*	60 µg	-80°C
	NAMPT Dilution Buffer	3 ml	-80°C
79946	4x NAMPT Assay Buffer	3 x 750 μl	-80°C
79686	400 μM ATP	2 x 250 μl	-80°C
	400 μM Nicotinamide	2 x 250 μl	-80°C
	800 μM PRPP	2 x 250 μl	-80°C
	30% Ethanol	1 ml	-80°C
79961	Low binding black microtiter 384-well plate	1	Room Temp.

#### **Supplied Materials**

\* The concentration of protein is lot-specific and will be indicated on the tube containing the protein.

## **Materials Required but Not Supplied**

- Fluorescent microplate reader capable of reading λexc/λem = 340 nm/460 nm
- Adjustable micropipettor and sterile tips

#### Stability



This assay kit will perform optimally for up to **6 months** from date of receipt when the materials are stored as directed.



# Safety



This product is for research purposes only and not for human or therapeutic use. This product should be considered hazardous and is harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin, eyes, clothing, and if swallowed. If contact occurs, wash thoroughly.

# Contraindications

The final concentration of DMSO in the assay should not exceed 1%.

## **Assay Protocol**

- All samples and controls should be tested in duplicate.
- The assay should include "Blank", "Positive Control" and "Test Inhibitor" conditions.
- We recommend maintaining the diluted protein on ice during use.
- For detailed information on protein handling please refer to Protein FAQs (bpsbioscience.com).
- We recommend using FK-866 as internal control. If not running a dose response curve for the control inhibitor, we recommend running the control inhibitor at 0.1X, 1X and 10X the IC<sub>50</sub> value shown in the validation data below.
- 1. Thaw **4x NAMPT Assay Buffer, 400 μM ATP**, **400 μM Nicotinamide**, **800 μM PRPP, NAMPT Dilution Buffer** and **30% Ethanol** on ice.
- 2. Thaw **NAMPT** enzyme on ice. Briefly spin the tube to recover the full content of the tube.
- 3. Dilute NAMPT with NAMPT Dilution Buffer to 12-25 ng/ $\mu$ l (6  $\mu$ l/well).
- 4. Add 6 μl of diluted NAMPT to the "Positive Control" and "Test Inhibitor" wells.
- 5. Add 6 µl of NAMPT Dilution Buffer to the "Blank" well.
- 6. Prepare Test Inhibitor (4  $\mu$ l/well): for a titration prepare serial dilutions at concentrations 5-fold higher than the desired final concentrations. The final volume of the reaction is 20  $\mu$ l.

6.1. If the test inhibitor is soluble in water, make a dilution in distilled water at a concentration 5-fold higher than the final desired concentration.

For the positive and negative controls, use distilled water (Diluent Solution).

## OR

6.2. If the Test Inhibitor is soluble in DMSO: Prepare the test inhibitor at 100-fold the highest desired concentration in 100% DMSO, then dilute the inhibitor 20-fold in distilled water to prepare the highest concentration of the 5-fold intermediate dilutions. The concentration of DMSO is now 5%.

Prepare serial dilutions of the Test Inhibitor at 5-fold the desired final concentrations using 5% DMSO in distilled water to keep the concentration of DMSO constant.



For positive and negative controls, prepare 5% DMSO in water so that all wells contain the same amount of DMSO (Diluent Solution).

Note: The final concentration of DMSO in the assay should not exceed 1%.

- 7. Add 4  $\mu$ l of Test Inhibitor to the "Test Inhibitor" wells.
- 8. Add 4  $\mu$ l of Diluent Solution to the "Positive Control" and "Blank" wells.
- 9. Pre-incubate NAMPT with the inhibitors for 30 minutes at Room Temperature (RT), with gentle agitation.
- 10. Prepare a Master Mix (10 μl/well): N wells x (5 μl of 4x NAMPT Assay Buffer + 1 μl of 400 μM ATP + 1 μl of 400 μM Nicotinamide + 1 μl of 800 μM PRPP + 1 μl of 30% Ethanol + 1 μl of distilled water).
- 11. Start the reaction by adding 10  $\mu$ l of Master Mix to all wells.
- 12. Incubate at 30°C for 2 hours.

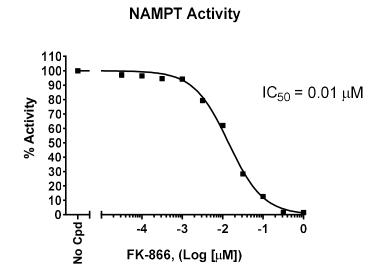
Component	Blank	Test Inhibitor	<b>Positive Control</b>
Master Mix	10 µl	10 µl	10 µl
Test Inhibitor	-	4 μl	-
Diluent Solution	4 μl	-	4 μl
NAMPT Dilution Buffer	6 µl	-	-
NAMPT (12-25 ng/μl)	-	6 μl	6 µl
Total	20 µl	20 µl	20 µl

- 13. Measure the fluorescence intensity in a microtiter plate-reader fluorimeter capable of excitation at  $\lambda$ =340 nm and emission at  $\lambda$ =460 nm.
- 14. The "Blank" should be subtracted from all other values (background value).



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## **Example Results**



### Figure 1: NAMPT inhibition by FK-866.

NAMPT activity was measured in the presence of increasing concentrations of FK-866. Results are expressed as percent of control activity (measured in the absence of inhibitor and set at 100%).

Data shown is representative. For lot-specific information, please contact BPS Bioscience, Inc. at support@bpsbioscience.com

#### **Troubleshooting Guide**

Visit bpsbioscience.com/assay-kits-faq for detailed troubleshooting instructions. For all further questions, please email support@bpsbioscience.com

#### References

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### **Related Products**

Products	Catalog #	Size
NAMPT (PBEF1)	71098	20 µg
NMNAT1, His-Tag	71090	100 µg
CHS-828	27333	25 mg
CD38, His-Tag (Human), HiP™	71277	100 µg
CD38 Inhibitor Screening Assay Kit (Cyclase Activity)	71275	96 reactions
CD73, His-Tag (Human)	71184	50 μg/500 μg

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