

HEK293 Wnt TCF Reporter Cell Line-Active

Catalog Number	WRHEK293A-HWR
Source	Human embryonic kidney cell line
Clone number	2A9D4E5C
Synonyms	Wnt reporter, TCF reporter, LEF reporter cell line
Background	The WNT gene family consists of structurally related genes that encode secreted signaling proteins, membrane bound receptors, and signaling transduction proteins. These proteins have been implicated in oncogenesis, adipogenesis, etc. and in several other developmental processes, including regulation of cell fate and patterning during embryogenesis. Activity of the Wnt signaling pathway leads to nuclear translocation of β -catenin and the formation of TCF transcription factor complex. The TCF complex interacts with Wnt gene transcriptional response elements and leads to the expression of Wnt-responsive genes.
Product Description	This Wnt reporter cell line is designed to monitor the activity of β -catenin-based Wnt signal transduction pathway. This human embryonic kidney cell line hosts CMV promoter, tandem repeats of the TCF transcriptional response element, luciferase gene, and GFP gene. GFP expressed constantly can serve as control of cell numbers.
Activity	



The luciferase activity from the Wnt reporter cell line increases 50 or 100 fold after 6- to 8-hour treatment with 10 ng/mL of recombinant mouse Wnt3a (Fig. 1) or recombinant human Wnt3a (Fig. 2), respectively. The response to rhWnt3a can be inhibited by ICG-001 with an IC₅₀ of 3 μ M (Figs. 3). The luciferase activity was normalized to endogenously expressed GFP and the inhibition data were processed by setting the luciferase activity from HEK293 Wnt reporter cell line-Mutant (Cat: WRHEK293M) as 0 and without inhibitor but with rhWnt3a as 100%.

Mycoplasma	Negative. Test reagents: Mycoplasma Detection Kit – QuickTest - from Biotool
Handling and Storage	The cell line may be shipped in dry ice or RT in either 25 cm ² flask or 15 mL tube. If the cell line is shipped in dry ice, after receiving, store the cells at -80°C or in liquid nitrogen or culture under standard culture conditions.
Luc Assay	Using normal tissue culture-treated plate: Seed 0.5 mL of cells into each well of 24 or 48 wells plate at a density of 10 x 10^4 cells/mL in complete EMEM medium (Corning Ref: 10-010-CV plus 1 mM sodium pyruvate and 1500 mg/L sodium bicarbonate), incubate cell at 5% CO ₂ , 37°C incubator overnight, replace complete EMEM with 198 µL EMEM without serum, add 2 µL of control buffer or Wnt3a (concentration range: 0.06 to 1 µg/mL), ,mix well and return plate into 5% CO ₂ , 37°C incubator and continue to incubate for 6 to 8 hours, suction out medium, lyse cells with 0.2 mL of cell lysis buffer, incubate for 10 min on rocking shaker at room temperature, transfer 50 µL of cell lysate from each well into the wells of a 96 well black plate and add 50 µL of lysis buffer into three wells of the same plate as fluorescent background, read fluorescent first, and then add 50 µL of Luciferase substrate into each well, read Luciferase activity within 30 min. Fluorescent reading can serve as control of cell numbers.
Reference	Molenaar M. XTcf-3 transcription factor mediates beta-catenin-induced axis formation in Xenopus embryos. Cell. 1996; 86:391-9
	Xing-Yao LI. A reporter gene system for screening inhibitors of Wnt signaling pathway. Nat. Prod. Bioprospect. 2013; 3: 24–28