

Assays Using MCF-7 Cells

Reference	Deckers et al. (2000)	Schoonen et al. (1995)
Characteristics of Cells		
<i>Cell line</i>	MCF-7	MCF-7
<i>Source of cell line</i>	human mammary tumor	human mammary tumor
<i>Whole cells/cytosol</i>	cytosol	cytosol
Preparation of Cells for Assay		
<i>Serum source</i>	fetal calf serum	fetal calf serum
<i>Serum stripping method</i>	charcoal treated serum	charcoal treated serum
<i>Residual androgen in serum</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>No. treated cells/No. or weight of cells homogenized</i>	1 gm cells	1 gm cells
<i>Treatment vessel used</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Preparation of cell homogenate</i>		
<i>volume</i>	5 ml	5 ml
<i>buffer</i>	TrisHCl pH 7.4 + EDTA, dithioerythritol, molybdate	TrisHCl pH 7.4 + EDTA, dithioerythritol, molybdate
<i>method</i>	Dounce homogenizer	Dounce homogenizer
<i>time; temperature</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Centrifugation of homogenate</i>	1,000,000N/kg	1,000,000N/kg
<i>Protein concentration of cytosol</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Storage</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Final protein concentration</i>	n.p.	n.p.
Competitive binding assay		
<i>Reference ligand</i>	5 -Dihydrotestosterone	5 -Dihydrotestosterone
<i>Volume and concentration of reference ligand</i>	1.9 nM	1.9 nM
<i>Specific activity of labelled reference ligand</i>	5.3 TBq/mmol	4070 GBq/mmol
<i>Volume and concentration of cold ligand</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Final concentration of reference ligand</i>	1.9 nM	1.9 nM
<i>Volume of competing ligand</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Concentration range of competing ligand</i>	0.1 - 10000 nM	0.1 - 10000 nM
<i>Volume of cytosol</i>	1:5 dilution	1:5 dilution
<i>Volume of buffer</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Type of buffer used</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Replicates</i>	6 or more	2
<i>Time of incubation</i>	overnight	overnight
<i>Temperature of incubation</i>	4° C	4° C

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Separation of ligand		
<i>Volume and type of slurry</i>	dextran-charcoal	dextran-charcoal
<i>Buffer for slurry</i>	TrisHCl pH 7.4 + EDTA, dithioerythritol, molybdate	TrisHCl pH 7.4 + EDTA, dithioerythritol, molybdate
<i>Incubation time and temperature</i>	10 min, 4° C	10 min, 4° C
<i>Time of vortexing</i>	n.a.	n.a.
<i>Centrifugation speed</i>	8000N/kg	8000N/kg
<i>Centrifugation time and temperature</i>	5 min	5 min
<i>Resuspension volume and buffer for pellet</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>No. of washes</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Extraction of label</i>	centrifugation	centrifugation
<i>Incubation time and temperature</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Vortexing during incubation time</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Centrifugation time and temperature</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Volume added for reading</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Volume of fluor</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Type of fluor</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Instrumentation</i>	Topcount microplate scintillation counter	n.p.
<i>Measurement</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Blank without competitor</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Reading of blank</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Blank subtracted?</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Range of standard curve of reference ligand</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Nonspecific binding measured?</i>	yes	n.p.
<i>Subtraction of nonspecific binding</i>	yes	n.p.
Data calculations		
<i>Data plotted as</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>Data calculated</i>	specific binding	IC ₅₀
<i>Calculation of RBA</i>	yes	yes
Test substances		
<i>Solvent used</i>	ethanol	ethanol
<i>No. of samples/ dose</i>	n.p.	n.p.
<i>No. of times assay repeated</i>	from 6 to 34	2
Abbreviations: n.a. = not applicable; n.p. = not provided; RBA = relative binding affinity		