

# Mouse Mitochondrial DNA Copy Number Assay Kit

(44 reactions)

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Store at -20°C.

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**Introduction:** This DNA analysis kit is for the determination of mouse mitochondrial DNA copy number, *in vivo* and *in vitro*, by the comparison of mitochondrial (mt) and nuclear (n) DNA measured by real-time PCR.

## Kit Contents:

- 96 well PCR plate
- rtPCR reaction mix.
- Validated primers (10 µM) to quantify mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA).
- Validated primers (10 µM) to quantify nuclear DNA (nDNA).
- Positive control [2.5 ng/ µl] (isolated total DNA from liver of B6 mouse).

## Not Included in Kit:

- DNA isolation Kit
- Nuclease-free water
- PCR Tubes and Caps

## Thermal cycler program:

- Preprogram PCR machine for this profile:
  - a. 95°C, 10 min  
**(40 Cycles)**
  - b. 95°C, 15 sec
  - c. 60°C, 60 sec

**Real time PCR procedure:** The following procedure is for each 20 µL reaction. Increase all amounts proportionally according to the total number of tubes.

- Per PCR tube (20 µL Rx), mix the following:
  - a. 1 µL forward primer
  - b. 1 µL reverse primer
  - c. 8 µL sample contain genomic DNA/ 8 µL of positive control
  - d. 10 µL rtPCR reaction mix

**Recommended concentration:** Between 0.3 to 5.0 ng/µL

## How to Calculate Mitochondrial Copy Number:

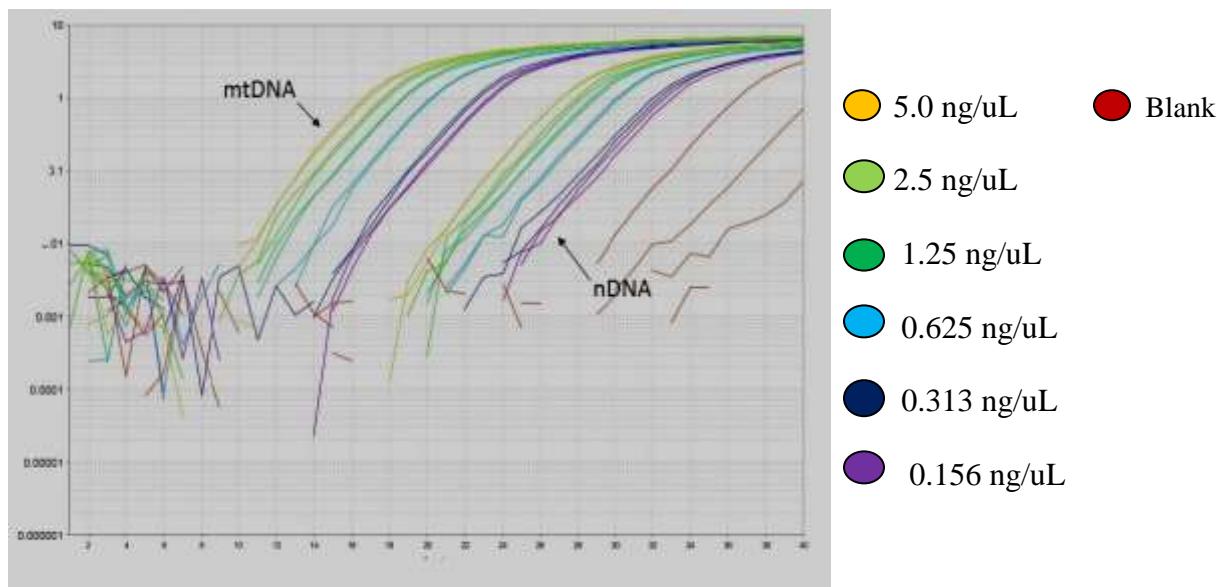
$$\Delta Ct_1 = Ct_{\text{mitochondria-control}} - Ct_{\text{nucleus-control}}$$

$$\Delta Ct_2 = Ct_{\text{mitochondrial-experimental}} - Ct_{\text{nucleus-experimental}}$$

$$\Delta\Delta Ct = \text{Sample } \Delta Ct - \text{average } \Delta Ct \text{ control}$$

$$\text{mtDNA fold change} = 2^{-\Delta\Delta Ct}$$

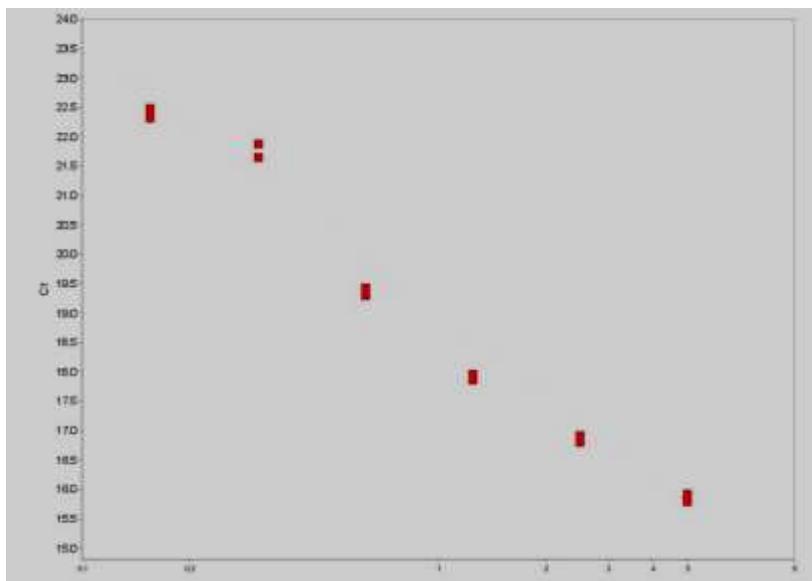
Total DNA isolated from mouse liver



Suggested assay plate layout: n = nucleus; mt = mitochondria; BLK = blank

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	nBLK	nS3	nS7	nS11	nS15	nS19	mtBLK	mtS3	mtS7	mtS11	mtS15	mtS19
B	nBLK	nS3	nS7	nS11	nS15	nS19	mtBLK	mtS3	mtS7	mtS11	mtS15	mtS19
C	nPC	nS4	nS8	nS12	nS16	nS20	mtPC	mtS4	mtS8	mtS12	mtS16	mtS20
D	nPC	nS4	nS8	nS12	nS16	nS20	mtPC	mtS4	mtS8	mtS12	mtS16	mtS20
E	nS1	nS5	nS9	nS13	nS17	nS21	mtS1	mtS5	mtS9	mtS13	mtS17	mtS21
F	nS1	nS5	nS9	nS13	nS17	nS21	mtS1	mtS5	mtS9	mtS13	mtS17	mtS21
G	nS2	nS6	nS10	nS14	nS18	nS22	mtS2	mtS6	mtS10	mtS14	mtS18	mtS22
H	nS2	nS6	nS10	nS14	nS18	nS22	mtS2	mtS6	mtS10	mtS14	mtS18	mtS22

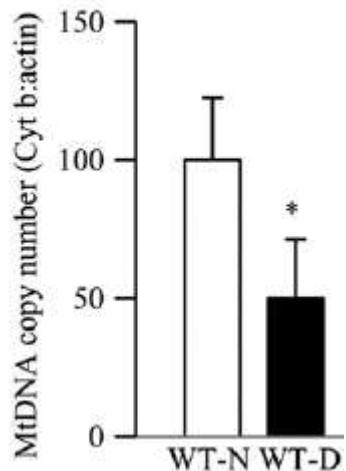
### Plot of C<sub>T</sub> versus DNA concentration



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