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PrimerArray® Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human)

Manual



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The PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human) is a software tool for analysis of data obtained using PrimerArray Hepatic Differentiation (Human) (Cat. #PH017), a primer set for real-time RT-PCR analysis of gene expression related to hepatic differentiation. The tool allows comparison between data for an unknown and control sample and performs relative quantitative analysis using Ct values exported from real-time PCR instrument software by the $\triangle \triangle$ Ct method. Results are displayed in a graphical format.

* The PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human) uses a Microsoft Office Excel format file containing macros. Its performance has been validated in the following operating systems and versions of Microsoft Office Excel:

Windows XP operating system Microsoft Office Excel 2003 Microsoft Office Excel 2007

* The PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human) is available for download from the Takara Bio website.

I. Calculating and exporting Ct values

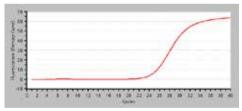
Set the analysis parameters using the real-time PCR instrument software, and calculate Ct values. Refer to the instruction manual of the real-time PCR analysis software for specific details of the analysis procedure.

(1) Setting analysis parameters

The analysis parameters are automatically set in most real-time PCR analysis software. However, settings should be reviewed to ensure that those parameters are correct. If they are incorrect, the parameters will need to be re-set manually.

Baseline region

Set the flat region before the amplification curve begins to rise as the baseline region. If this region is not long enough, the baseline will not be properly normalized. In contrast, if this region is too long, it may cause the amplification curve to lower progressively (refer to the graphs below).

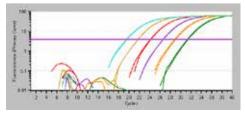


Correct Baseline

Baseline Region is Too long

Threshold

Set the threshold within the region of exponential PCR amplification. This is the region where the amplification curve becomes linear when vertical axis of the curve is plotted on a log scale.



Correct Threshold



(2) Calculation of Ct value

Most real-time PCR analysis software automatically calculates the Ct value.

(3) Output of the data

Output of the Ct values is generally in Microsoft Office Excel or CSV format. The output form varies depending on the analysis software used.

* Some real-time PCR analysis software packages do not output data from wells where sample information is not set or from wells omitted from the analysis. In this case, errors are likely during data input into the PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human). Ensure data from all wells is exported before using the analysis tool.

II. Relative quantification analysis

Below is a protocol to perform relative quantitative analysis using the $\triangle \triangle$ Ct method with the PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human).

- (1) Starting the PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human) Open the PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human) (PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human).xls) file.
- (2) Select a plate

Choose the PrimerArray plate used for your experiment, then click the "Plate Select" button.



(3) Input Control Sample Data

After clicking "Plate Select" button, a sheet for control sample data will appear. Input Ct values in exp1 (C column), exp 2 (D column), exp 3 (E column), etc. This can generally be done by copying and pasting the Ct value output from the real-time PCR analysis software. Data for up to 10 repeated experiments can be entered.

	А	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	Symbol	Well	Nell Control Sample											
2	Зуппоот	vveii	exp1	exp2	exp3	exp4	exp5	exp6	exp7	exp8	exp9	exp10	AVG	SD_Ct
3	NANOG	A01	20.58										20.58	0.00E+00
4	GRB7	A02	23.24										23.24	0.00E+00
5	GSC	A03	25										25.00	0.00E+00
6	CYP3A7	A04											0.00	0.00E+00
7	ASGR1	A05	33.75										33.75	0.00E+00
8	TAT	A06	32.15										32.15	0.00E+00
9	NR1I2	A07	27.87										27.87	0.00E+00
10	CYP2A6	A08	30.69										30.69	0.00E+00
11	ABCC3	A09	32.1										32.10	0.00E+00
12	UGT1 A1	A10	33.14										33.14	0.00E+00
13	ASS1	A11	22.38										22.38	0.00E+00
14	GUSB	A12	23.98										23.98	0.00E+00
15	POU5F1	B01	17.55										17.55	0.00E+00
16	IFITM1	B02	18.84										18.84	0.00E+00
17	NODAL	B03	23.65										23.65	0.00E+00
18	DLK1	B04	27.7										27.70	0.00E+00
19	KRT8	B05	32.86										32.86	0.00E+00
20	TF	B06	29.71										29.71	0.00E+00
21	NR1H3	B07											0.00	0.00E+00
22	CYP2C8	B08	30.1										30.10	0.00E+00
H 4														



(4) Input Test Sample Data

Select the sheet "TestSampleData" for Test Sample data input. Input the data in the same way as the Control Sample. After inputting the data, click the "set sample data" button.

Clearing data

If you need to re-input data, click the "clear" button. This will delete all of the data.

Setting the Ct value cutoff

Once a Ct value cutoff is set, Ct values beyond a certain level will be excluded from analysis. The default cutoff is set at 35 cycles, and will exclude Ct values greater than 35. To change this cutoff level, change the "Ct cutoff value".

(5) Calculation of the Normalization Factor

Click on "Set Sample Data". The sheet "normalization_factors" should open for calculation of the Normalization Factor. Select housekeeping gene (HKG)*1 for normalization by checking the box in the column A, and then clicking the "NF value" button. The Normalization Factor is calculated and relative quantitative analysis will be performed automatically.

HKG		Test San	nple	Control Sa	ample	
		Quantity	SD_Q	Quantity	SD_Q	
₹.	GUSB	1.01E-07	0.00E+00	6.04E-08	0.00E+00	
₹.	HPRT1	211E-08	0.00E+00	282E-07	0.00E+00	
V	PGK1	1.21E-07	0.00E+00	6.70E-07	0.00E+00	
V	ACTB	2.70E-06	0.00E+00	1.61E-05	0.00E+00	NF v
₹	GAPDH	219E-06	0.00E+00	9.20E-06	0.00E+00	
⊽	TBP	7.61E-09	0.00E+00	7.60E-08	0.00E+00	
v	B2M	1.64E-06	0.00E+00	209E-07	0.00E+00	
Y	PPIA	135E-06	0.00E+00	5.74E-06	000E-00	
norr fact	nalization ors	Quantity	SD_Q			
NF Test		267E-07	0.00E+00			
NF Control		792E-07	0.00E+00			

* 1 Selection of housekeeping gene:

The normalization factor is the coefficient used to normalize the template quantities used in the reaction. A housekeeping gene (HKG) whose expression level is stable among the samples is used as the index for this calculation. Care should be taken in selecting the housekeeping gene, because incorrect results can be obtained if a gene having differing expression levels among samples is used as an index. To select an appropriate housekeeping gene, confirm stable expression experimentally or use known information (biological insight, published literature, microarray analysis results, etc.). If there is no known information suggesting an appropriate gene, use all of the control housekeeping genes as a reference. Alternatively, perform the analysis without normalization of the RNA amount (without Housekeeping Gene Normalization).

References

- Housekeeping Gene Primer Set (Cat. #3790/3791/3792)*2
- geNorm manual
 - http://medgen.ugent.be/~jvdesomp/genorm/geNorm_manual.pdf
- Vandesompele J, et al. Accurate normalization of real-time quantitative RT-PCR data by geometric averaging of multiple internal control genes.
 Genome Biol. (2002) Jun 18; 3(7): RESEARCH0034. Epub 2002 Jun 18.
 - * 2 Not available in all geographic locations. Check for availability in your area.



(6) Confirmation of the analysis results

After the analysis, a 3D profile of the Fold Differences will appear. Select each sheet to view the additional results.

Fold Difference

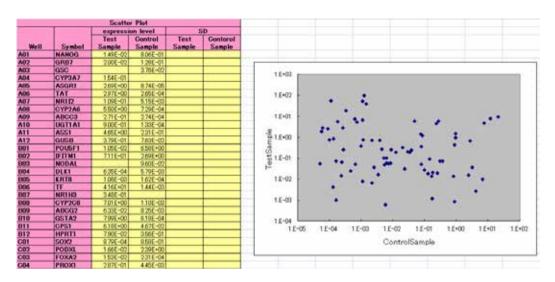
The list will show the relative quantification values (fold difference) and standard deviation of the Test Sample, with the Control Sample set to 1. Standard deviation is only displayed if repeated experiments have been performed.

Fold Difference									
		expressi	on level	S	D				
		Test	Contorol	Test	Control				
Well	Symbol	Sample	Sample	Sample	Sample				
A01	NANOG	0.02	1,00E+00						
A02	GRB7	0.16	1,00E+00						
A03	GSC		1.00E+00						
A04	CYP3A7								
A05	ASGR1	3.08E+04	1,00E+00						
A06	TAT	1.12E+04	1.00E+00						
A07	NR1I2	21.11	1,00E+00						
A08	CYP2A6	75.38E+02	1,00E+00						
A09	ABCC3	989.12	1,00E+00						
A10	UGT1A1	67.47E+02	1,00E+00						
A11	ASS1	20.11	1,00E+00						
A12	GUSB	4.96	1,00E+00						
B01	POU5F1	0.00	1,00E+00						
B02	IFITM1	0.26	1,00E+00						
B03	NODAL		1,00E+00						
B04	DLK1	0.11	1,00E+00						
B05	KRT8	6.63	1,00E+00						
B06	TF	2.89E+04	1,00E+00						
B07	NR1H3								
B08	CYP2C8	63.83E+02	1,00E+00						
B09	ABCG2	7.67	1,00E+00						
B10	GSTA2	1.29E+04	1,00E+00						
B11	CPS1	132.51	1,00E+00						
B12	HPRT1	0.22	1.00E+00						



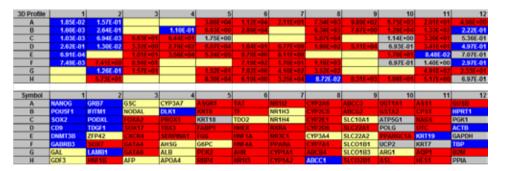
Scatter plot

The left table shows a list of values and standard deviations before relative quantification with the Control Sample. The values are shown in Scatter plot in the graph on the right.



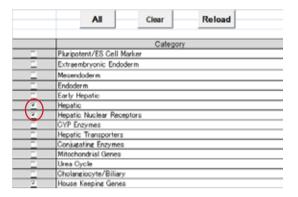
3D Profile

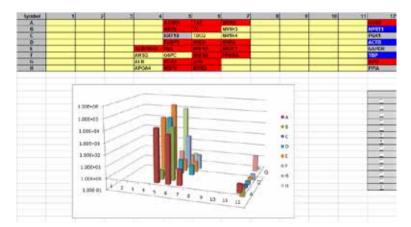
A table listing the Fold Difference of the Test Sample and gene symbols is shown, with the placement of the data corresponding to the position on the plate. The color is indicative of the degree of expression difference: red, increased expression (fold difference>2); gray, minimal change (fold difference 0.5 - 2); blue, reduced expression (fold difference<0.5); yellow, Ct value is not detected in both samples or one sample.





Specify a Category, then click the "Reload" button. Changes in expression of genes in that category are displayed in the table, with the color corresponding to the degree of expression difference, and as a bar graph. To display all of the data, click "All" to select all of the categories. Click "Clear" to remove all selected categories.





Analysis is complete. When continuing the analysis with a different data set, erase the data by clicking the "clear" button on the "TestSampleData" sheet. Begin again at step (2) Select a Plate.



III. Troubleshooting

· Security alert appears.

PrimerArray Analysis Tool for Hepatic Differentiation (Human) includes a macro, and a security alert may appear. In this case, enable macros

Microsoft Office Excel 2007

(1) Click "Options" on the security warning.



(2) Select the "Enable this content", and then click the OK button.



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