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## Glucagon Receptor (GCGR) ACTOne™ Stable Cell Line

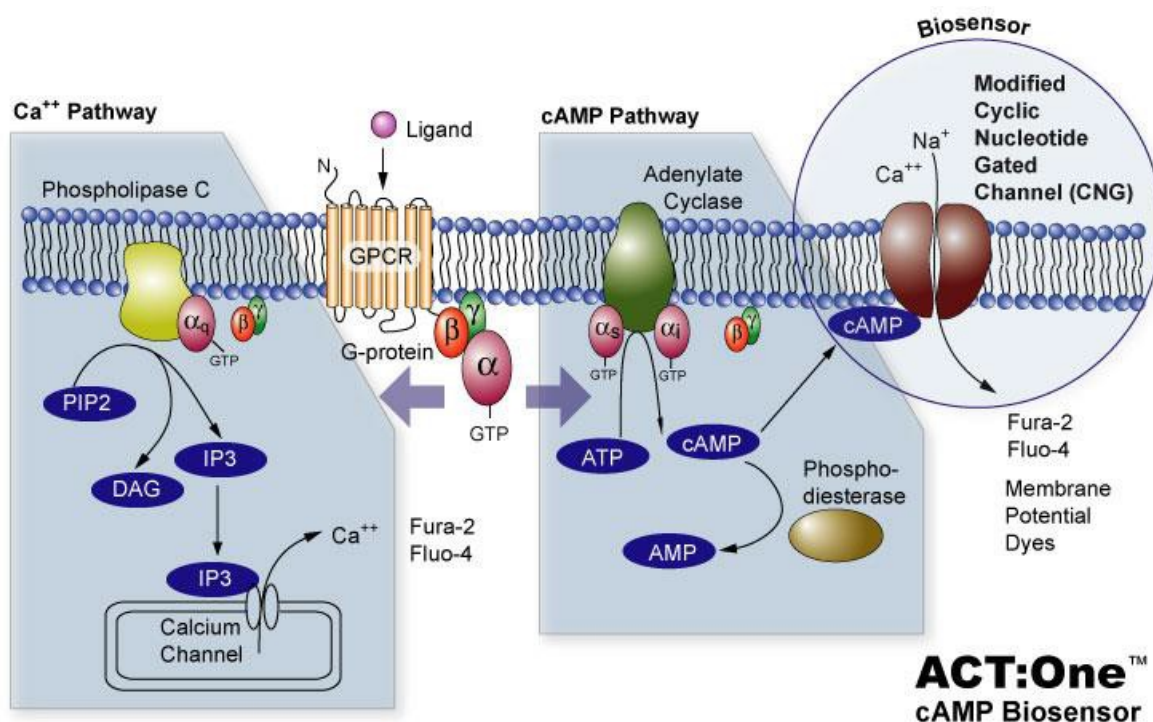
CATALOG NUMBER: CL-01-GCGR

### Introduction

GCGR is a 62 kDa protein that is activated by glucagon and is a member of the class B G-protein coupled family of receptors, coupled to G alpha i, Gs and to a lesser extent G alpha q. Stimulation of the receptor results in activation of adenylate cyclase and increased levels of intracellular cAMP. Glucagon receptors regulate blood glucose levels via control of hepatic glycogenolysis and gluconeogenesis and via regulation of insulin release from the beta-cells of the pancreatic islets.

### Description

Human GCGR ACTOne™ is a HEK-293 CNG cell line that expresses recombinant human GCGR. HEK-293 CNG cells express a modified CNG (Cyclic Nucleotide Gated) channel that opens in response to elevated intracellular cAMP levels and consequently result in ion flux (often detectable by calcium-responsive dye, Cat# CA-C155) and cell membrane depolarization which can be easily measured with fluorescent Membrane Potential Dye (Cat# CA-M165). The assay allows both end-point and kinetic measurement of intracellular cAMP changes with a FDSS, FLIPR, or a fluorescence microplate reader.



### Parental Cells

HEK-293 CNG cells (originally developed by BD Biosciences by introducing CNG in HEK-293 cells) (Cat# CL-03-PC20)

### Gene/Enzyme Introduced

GCGR (Genbank Accession No. NP\_000151.1)

**Applications**

- cAMP dependent human GCGR receptor cell based assay
- cell based high-throughput screening of human GCGR receptor agonists/antagonists

**Functional Test**

- this cell line has been tested positive for GCGR receptor specific response
- surviving rate: More than 2.5 million/vial on the second day after thawing
- the receptor specific activity is stable for 10 weeks continuous passage

**Mycoplasma Contamination Test**

This lot of cells has been tested and found to be free of mycoplasma contamination.

**Content**

- Stable GCGR receptor cells: 1 mL (1 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells/mL in 70% DMEM, 20% FBS, 10% DMSO)

**Growth Properties**

Adherent

**Cell Culture Medium**

- Growth medium: DMEM-10% FBS supplemented with 250 µg/ml G418, 1 µg/ml Puromycin
- Freezing medium: 10% DMSO, 90% complete cell culture medium

**Subculturing Procedure**

1. Thaw the frozen cryovial of cells within 1-2 min by gentle agitation in a 37°C water bath. Decontaminate the cryovial by wiping the surface of the vial with 70% ethanol and transfer into a 75 cm<sup>2</sup> flask with 20 ml of complete DMEM growth medium.
2. Remove and discard culture medium next day, and then add fresh DMEM complete medium.
3. Monitor cell density daily. Cells should be passaged (1:3) when the culture reaches 90% confluence. Expected cell yield is between 1.5 x 10<sup>5</sup> and 2 x 10<sup>5</sup> viable cells/cm<sup>2</sup>.
4. Add 2.0 to 3.0 mL of 0.25% (w/v) trypsin-0.53 mM EDTA solution to the flask and observe cells under an inverted microscope until the cell layer is dispersed (usually within 15 to 20 minutes).

**Note:** To avoid clumping do not agitate the cells by hitting or shaking the flask while waiting for the cells to detach. Place at 37°C to facilitate dispersal.

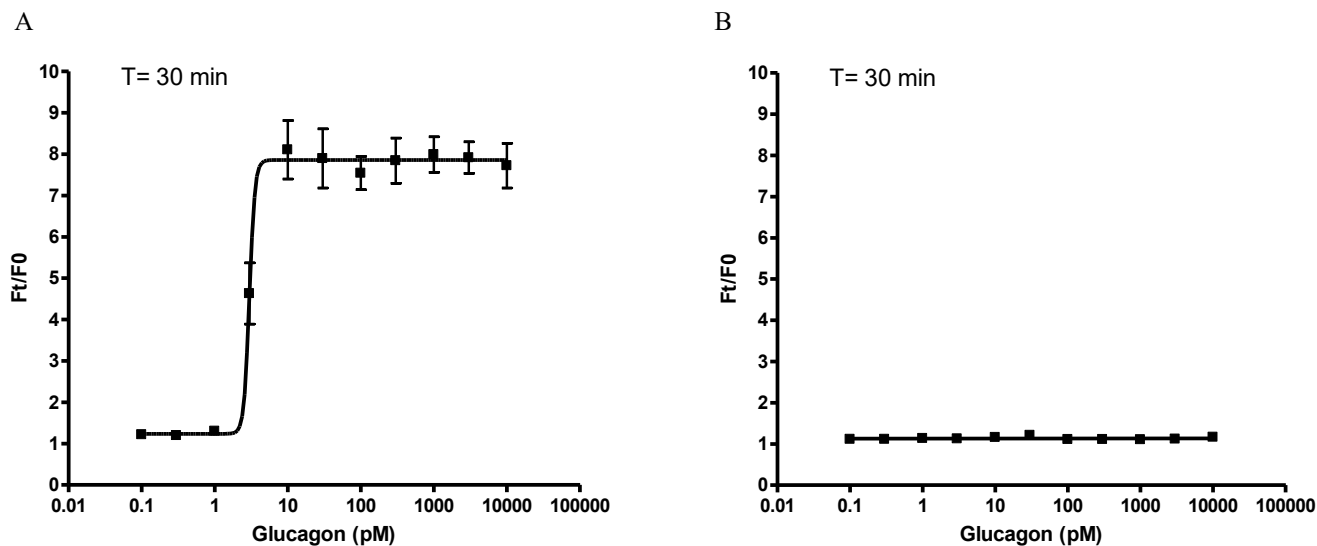
5. Transfer cell suspension to a 15mL centrifuge tube and spin at approximately 250 x g for 5 to 10 minutes.
6. Discard supernatant and resuspend cells in fresh growth medium. Add appropriate aliquots of the cell suspension to new culture vessels. An inoculum of 4 to 6 x 10<sup>4</sup> viable cells/cm<sup>2</sup> is recommended.
7. Incubate cultures at 37°C (5% CO<sub>2</sub>).

**Storage**

Remove the frozen cells from the dry ice packaging and immediately place the cells at a temperature below -130°C, preferably in liquid nitrogen vapor, until ready for use.



Data Example



**Figure 1. Response of ACTOne™ GCGR cell line & parental cell line to glucagon.**

ACTOne™ GCGR receptor cells and parental cells (Cat# CL-03-PC20) were plated overnight in 20  $\mu\text{l}$  culture medium on a 384 well Biocoat plate. The next day, cells were dye-loaded with 20  $\mu\text{l}$ /well of 1x Dye-loading solution (membrane potential dye kit, Cat# CA-M165). After 2 hours of incubation at room temperature, two readings were obtained prior to and 30 min after the addition of glucagon. Ratios of the two readings ( $F_t/F_0$ ) are plotted in the figure.

- A. Dose response curve of glucagon in ACTOne™ GCGR cell line.  $EC_{50} = 2.99 \text{ nM}$  in the presence of PDE inhibitor Ro 20-1724, and  $EC_{50} = 29.4 \text{ nM}$  in the absence of Ro20-1724 (data shown).**
- B. Parental cells do not respond to glucagon.**

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