

nCounter® miRGE Assay

Product Description

The nCounter miRGE Assay allows researchers to detect the expression of subsets of both mRNAs and miRNAs using the fully-automated nCounter Analysis System workflow. The nCounter miRGE Assay comes with the Nanostring miRNA Sample Preparation kit which provides all the reagents required for using the nCounter miRGE CodeSet for the detection miRNAs and mRNAs in total RNA with great specificity and sensitivity via the nCounter Analysis System.

Reference Documents

- nCounter Expression CodeSet Design Manual
- nCounter Analysis System Brochure
- nCounter Prep Station User Manual
- nCounter Digital Analyzer User Manual
- nCounter Expression Data Analysis Guide

nCounter miRGE Assay Kit

Component	Volume per Tube (μL)	Assay per Tube	Storage Conditions
nCounter miRGE CodeSet and Controls	130	12	-80°C
nCounter miRGE Capture ProbeSet	70	12	-80°C
miRNA annealing buffer	18	12	-20°C
nCounter miRNA Tag Reagent	30	12	-20°C
miRNA assay controls	15	12	-80°C
PEG	30	>12	room temp
Ligation buffer	20	>12	-20°C
Ligase	15	12	-20°C
Ligation clean-up enzyme	18	12	-20°C
12-strip tube with caps	1 per 12 assays		room temp

Storage Conditions: Store for up to 1 year at listed conditions

The miRGE Assay kit also includes a USB drive that contains:

- Three read-only folders for Cartridge Definition files (CDFData), Reporter Library files (RLFData), and Reporter Code Count files (RCCData)
- A RLF and CDF template
- PDF copies of the reference documents listed above
- RCC collector tool
- This product specifications sheet
- Material Safety Data Sheet(s)

Testing and Quality Control

All nCounter CodeSets are functionally tested.

Specifications

Description	Volume
Level of multiplexing	5 – 30 miRNAs 100 – 200 mRNAs
Recommended amount of starting material	100 ng purified total RNA
Sample types supported	Purified total RNA
miRNA sample prep reaction volume	10 μL
Hybridization reaction volume	35 μL
Limit of detection	
• miRNA	> 2.5 copies per cell
• mRNA	1 copy per cell
Fold change sensitivity	≥ 2-fold change
Hybridization spike correlation	$R^2 \ge 0.95$
Linear dynamic range	2 x 10 ⁶ total counts
nCounter Prep Station throughput	12 samples < 2.5 hours
nCounter Digital Analyzer throughput	12 samples / 4 hours (up to 72 samples per day unattended running in continuous mode)
Controls	6 positive hybridization controls8 negative hybridization controls2 positive ligation controls

nCounter Master Kit Components

All reagents and consumables required for post-hybridization processing of nCounter miRGE assays are supplied in the nCounter Master Kit. Kits for 48 and 192 assays are available. Master Kit components include:

- nCounter Cartridges
- nCounter Prep Plates
- nCounter Prep Packs

The nCounter Master Kit components are shipped in separate boxes under different shipping conditions. Individual components may be purchased separately if required.

nCounter Cartridge

Twelve samples can be processed in a single nCounter Cartridge.

Component	Assay Pack	Cartridge per Pack
nCounter Cartridge	48	4
	192	16

Storage Conditions: Store for up to 1 year at -20°C.



nCounter Prep Plates

The Prep Plates are foil sealed 96-well plates that are used by the Prep Station. Do not remove the foil seals.

Component	Assay Pack	Plates per Pack
Contains wash buffers, magnetic beads, immobilization, and imaging reagents	48	8
	192	32
reagents		

Storage Conditions: Store for up to 1 year at 4°C.

nCounter Prep Pack

Component	Assay Pack	Units per Pack
Racked tips and foil piercers	48	16 racks
	192	16 racks
12-tube strips	48	14 strips
	192	56 strips
Tip sheaths	48	8 sheaths
	192	32 sheaths
12-strip tube caps	48	14 strips
	192	56 strips
Cartridge well seals	48	6 seals
	192	24 seals
Hybridization buffer	48	2 tubes
	192	8 tubes

^{*}If hybridization buffer has been stored in cold conditions and precipitate is observed, warm tubes at 37°C until salts have dissolved.

Storage Conditions: Store at room temperature. No expiration date.

Safety Information

Material Safety Data Sheets are included on the USB drive packaged with the nCounter CodeSets. Safety information for operation of the nCounter System is included in the *nCounter Prep Station User Manual* and the *nCounter Digital Analyzer User Manual*.

Precautions

- The NanoString nCounter Analysis System and consumables are for RESEARCH USE ONLY; not for use in diagnostic procedures.
- Avoid microbial contamination, which may negatively affect the quality of the results.
- All biological specimens and materials should be handled as if the
 potential exists for transmitting infectious agents and disposed of with
 proper precautions in accordance with federal, state and local regulations.
 This includes adherence to the OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standard
 (29 CFR 1910.1030) for samples derived from blood and other sources
 governed by this act.
- 4. Never pipet by mouth.
- Avoid specimen contact with skin and mucous membrane and always wear gloves.
- 6. Exercise caution when handling and disposing of carcinogenic reagents.
- Avoid cross-contamination of samples which may negatively affect results quality.

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