AQT0232 – RPS6KA6 (RSK4) Assay Validation

PhosphoSens®-Kinetic Assay Format

Outline for this Study

PhosphoSens-Kinetic Assay Validation

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Enzyme Source, Construct, and Lot Information:

Carna RSK4 (Cat#/Lot#: 01-152/07CBS-2401J) amino acids full length; N-terminal GST tag

Reference Compound Information:

Staurosporine MedChemExpress (Cat#/Lot#: HY-15141/125391) CAS No.: 62996-74-1

Experiments to be run:

Enzyme Titration

Sensor Peptide K_m Determination

ATP K_m Determination

DMSO Tolerance Test

Reference Compound IC_{50} Determination at ATP K_m

Enzyme Titration

Reaction Conditions and Set Up

Reaction Conditions:

54 mM HEPES, pH 7.5

1 mM ATP

1.2 mM DTT

0.012% Brij-35

1% glycerol

0.2 mg/ml BSA

0.55 mM EGTA

10 mM $MgCl_2$

15 µM AQT0232

0.01, 0.02, 0.04, 0.08, 0.16, 0.3125, 0.625, 1.25, 2.5, 5, 10, and 20 nM RSK4

Reaction Set Up:

2 or 2.5 µL	10x Sensor Peptide
14 or 17.5 µL	Reaction Mix with ATP & DTT
4 or 5 µL	1x EDB or Kinase dilutions (5x in EDB)
20 or 25 µL	Final reaction volume

Reactions were run at 30˚C for 240 minutes in either Corning, low volume 384-well, white flat round bottom polystyrene NBS microplates (Cat. #3824) at 20 or 25 µL final well volume or in in PerkinElmer, ProxiPlate-384 Plus, white shallow well microplates (Cat. #6008280) at 20 µL final well volume after sealing using optically-clear adhesive film (TopSealA-Plus plate seal, PerkinElmer [Cat. #6050185]) in a Biotek Synergy Neo 2 microplate reader with excitation (360 nm) and emission (485 nm) wavelengths.

Notes:

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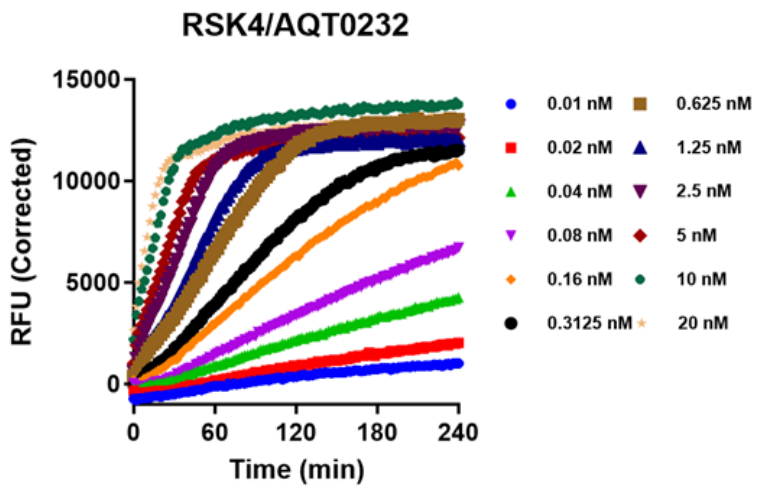
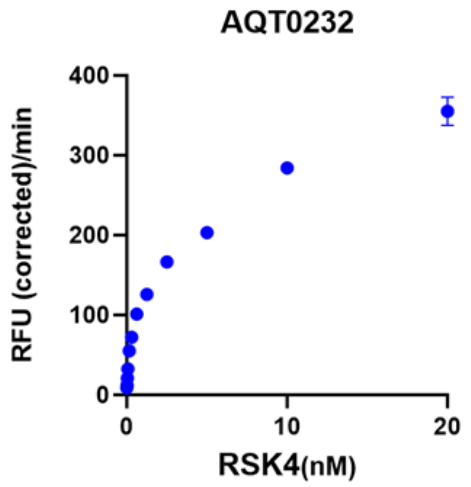
Enzyme Titration

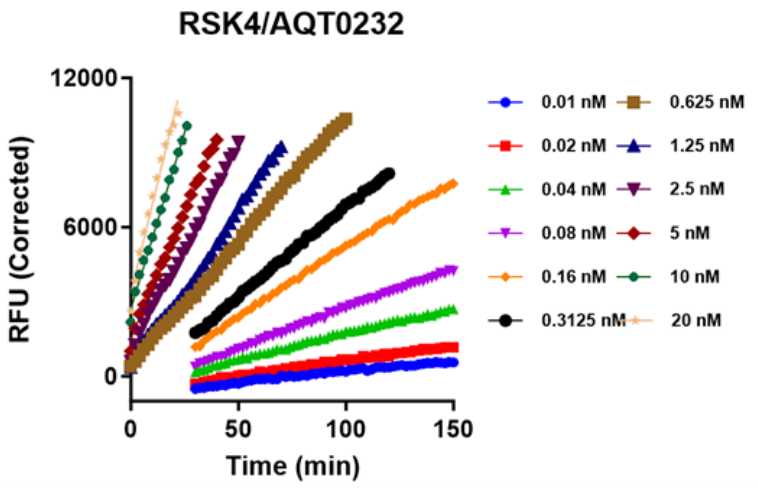
Progress Curves

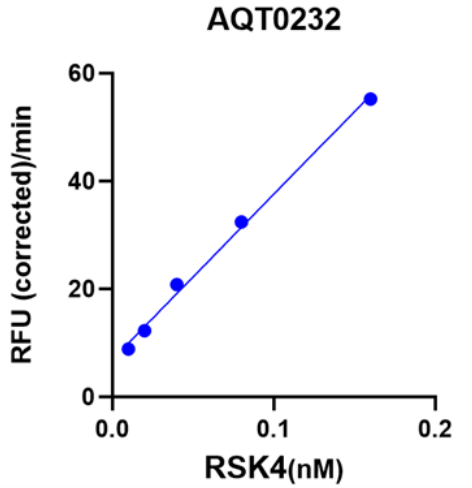
Complete Progress Curves





Linear Region of Progress Curves





Linear Range

Enzyme Titration

Reaction Rate Table

Enzyme Conc. (nM)	Normalized Reaction Rate (RFU/pmole/min)	Normalized Rate Stnd Error (RFU/pmole/min)
0.01	44,395	751
0.02	30,650	336
0.04	26,050	211
0.08	20,256	104
0.16	17,263	89
0.3125	11,554	51
0.625	8,104	36
1.25	5,032	53
2.5	3,328	35
5	2,032	28
10	1,421	32
20	888	44

The reaction is linear from 0.02 - 0.16 nM

Sensor Peptide K_m Determination

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0.2 mg/ml BSA

0.55 mM EGTA

10 mM $MgCl_2$

1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20, 30, 50, 70, and 100 µM AQT0232

0.3 nM RSK4

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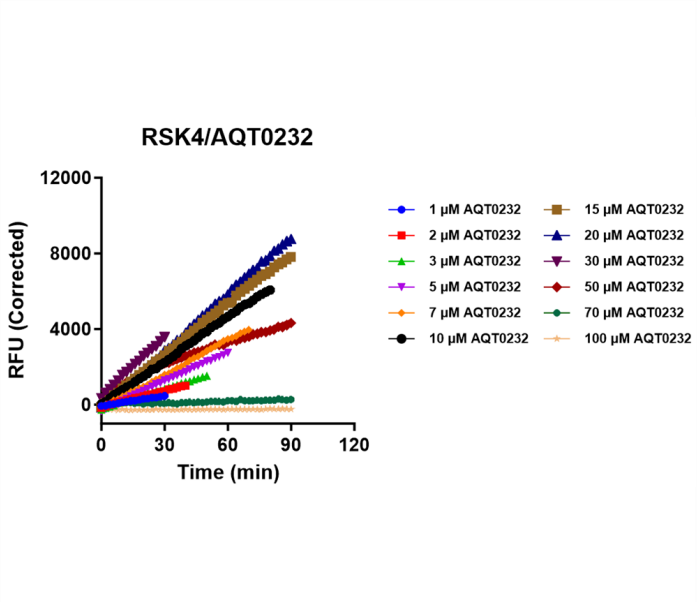
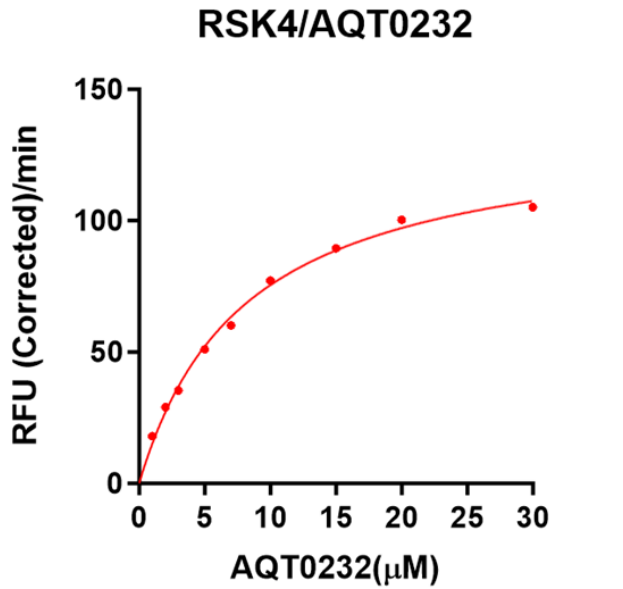
Sensor Peptide K_m Determination

Titration Curves and K_m Plot and Table

Sensor Peptide Titration Curves



Sensor Peptide K_m Plot



Sensor Peptide K_m Table

Michaelis-Menten	
Best-fit values	
Vmax	136.5
Km	8.090
Std. Error	
Vmax	4.349
Km	0.6446
95% CI (profile likelihood)	
Vmax	126.8 to 147.5
Km	6.704 to 9.780
Goodness of Fit	
Degrees of Freedom	7
R squared	0.9943

Sensor Peptide K_m is 8.1 µM

ATP K_m Determination

Reaction Conditions and Set Up

Reaction Conditions:

54 mM HEPES, pH 7.5

0, 2.0, 3.9, 7.8, 16, 31, 63, 125, 250, 500, 1000, and 2000 µM ATP

1.2 mM DTT

0.012% Brij-35

1% glycerol

0.2 mg/ml BSA

0.55 mM EGTA

10 mM $MgCl_2$

15 µM AQT0232

0.3 nM RSK4

Reaction Set Up:

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ATP K_m Determination

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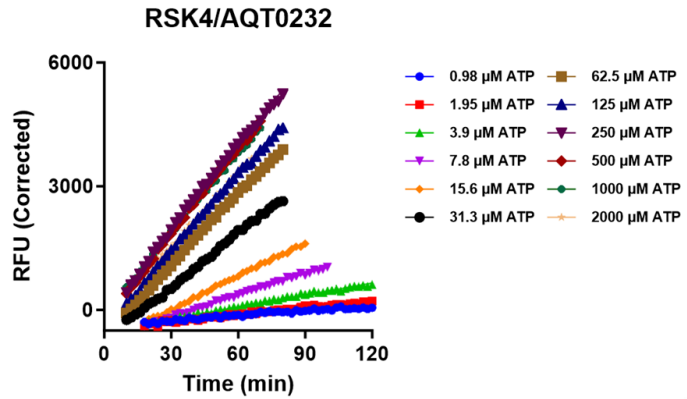
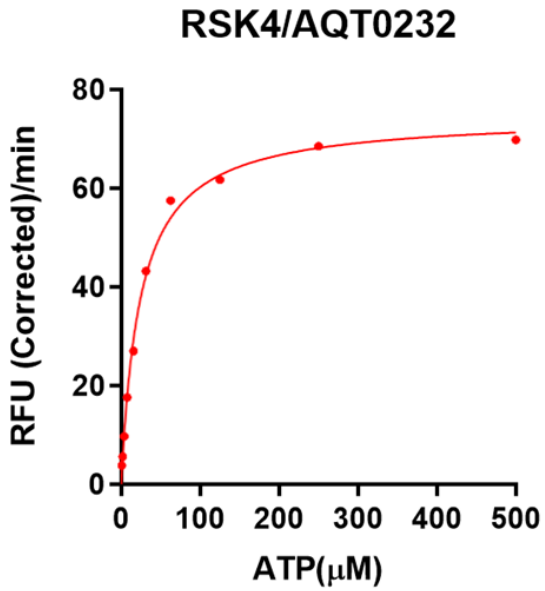
ATP Titration Curves



ATP K_m Plot



ATP K_m Table

Michaelis-Menten	
Best-fit values	
Vmax	74.70
Km	24.07
Std. Error	
Vmax	1.354
Km	1.676
95% CI (profile likelihood)	
Vmax	71.67 to 77.84
Km	20.57 to 28.13
Goodness of Fit	
Degrees of Freedom	8
R squared	0.9963

ATP K_m is 24 µM

DMSO Tolerance Test

Reaction Conditions and Set Up

Reaction Conditions:

54 mM HEPES, pH 7.5

1 mM ATP

1.2 mM DTT

0.012% Brij-35

1% glycerol

0.2 mg/ml BSA

0.55 mM EGTA

10 mM $MgCl_2$

0, .01, .02, .04, .08, .16, .31, .63, 1.3, 2.5, 5.0, and 10% DMSO

15 µM AQT0232

0.3 nM RSK4

Reaction Set Up:

2 or 2.5 µL	10x DMSO dilutions
14 or 17.5 µL	Reaction Mix with Sensor Peptide, ATP & DTT
4 or 5 µL	1x EDB or Kinase dilutions (5x in EDB)
20 or 25 µL	Final reaction volume

Reactions were run at 30˚C for 240 minutes in either Corning, low volume 384-well, white flat round bottom polystyrene NBS microplates (Cat. #3824) at 25 µL final well volume or in in PerkinElmer, ProxiPlate-384 Plus, white shallow well microplates (Cat. #6008280) at 20 µL final well volume after sealing using optically-clear adhesive film (TopSealA-Plus plate seal, PerkinElmer [Cat. #6050185]) in a Biotek Synergy Neo 2 microplate reader with excitation (360 nm) and emission (485 nm) wavelengths.

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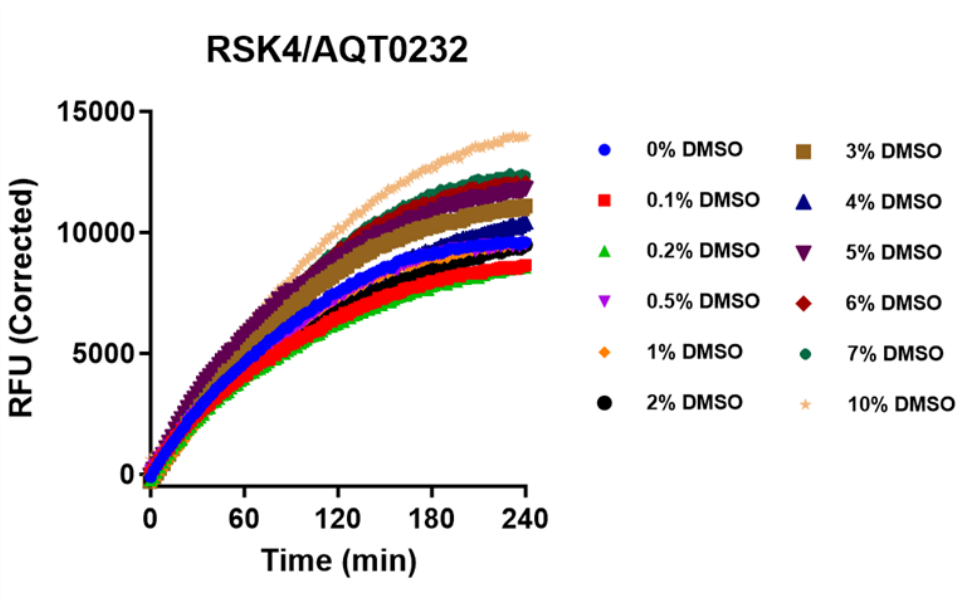
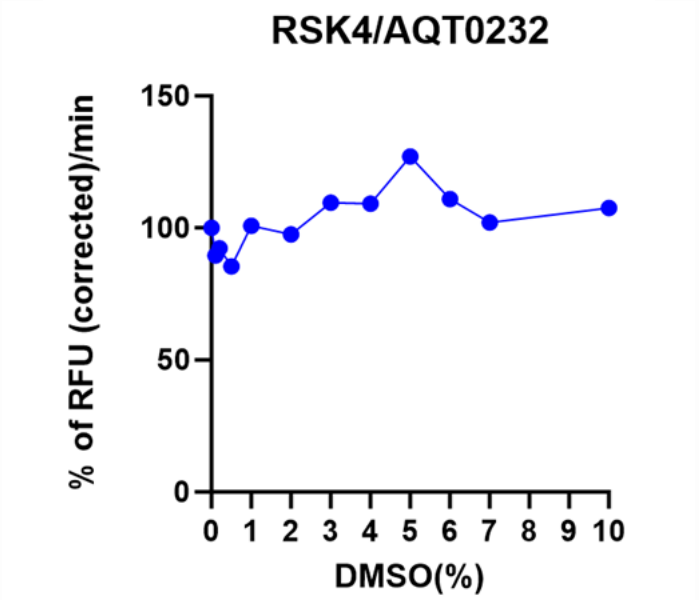
DMSO Tolerance Test

Titration Curves and Inhibition Plot

Complete Progress Curves



Reaction Rate vs [DMSO] Plot



No change in enzyme activity out to 2% DMSO

IC_{50} Determination

Reaction Conditions and Set Up

Reaction Conditions:

54 mM HEPES, pH 7.5

ATP at K_m

1.2 mM DTT

0.012% Brij-35

1% glycerol

0.2 mg/ml BSA

0.55 mM EGTA

10 mM $MgCl_2$

1% DMSO

15 µM AQT0232

0.3 nM RSK4

0.1 mM Staurosporine was serially diluted (3-fold, 11-point) in 100%DMSO. The series was then diluted 10-fold into BSA (with a final concentration of 0.2 mg/mL BSA in 10% DMSO) to prepare the 10x compound stocks.

Reaction Set Up:

16 µL	Reaction Mix with Sensor Peptide and Inhibitor
4 µL	1x EDB or Kinase dilutions (5x in EDB)
20 µL	Final reaction volume

Reactions were run at 30˚C for 240 minutes in either Corning, low volume 384-well, white flat round bottom polystyrene NBS microplates (Cat. #3824) at 20 µL final well volume or in in PerkinElmer, ProxiPlate-384 Plus, white shallow well microplates (Cat. #6008280) at 20 µL final well volume after sealing using optically-clear adhesive film (TopSealA-Plus plate seal, PerkinElmer [Cat. #6050185]) in a Biotek Synergy Neo 2 microplate reader with excitation (360 nm) and emission (485 nm) wavelengths.

Inhibitors are added via direct (0.4 µL of 50X stock in 100% DMSO) or intermediate dilutions (2.0 µL of 10X stock in 10% DMSO).

Notes:

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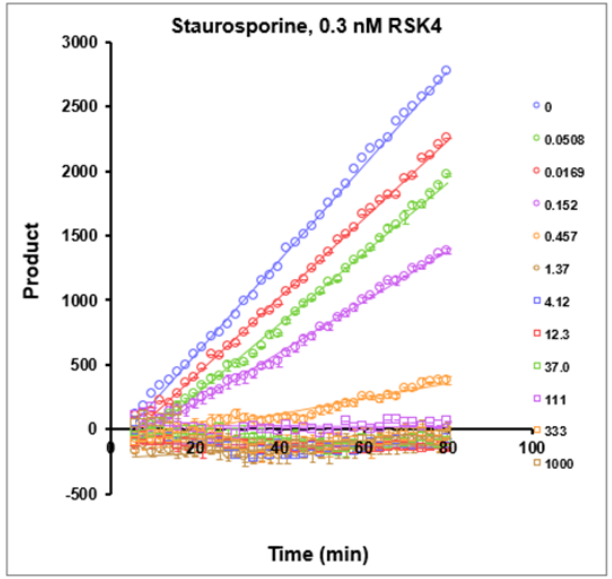
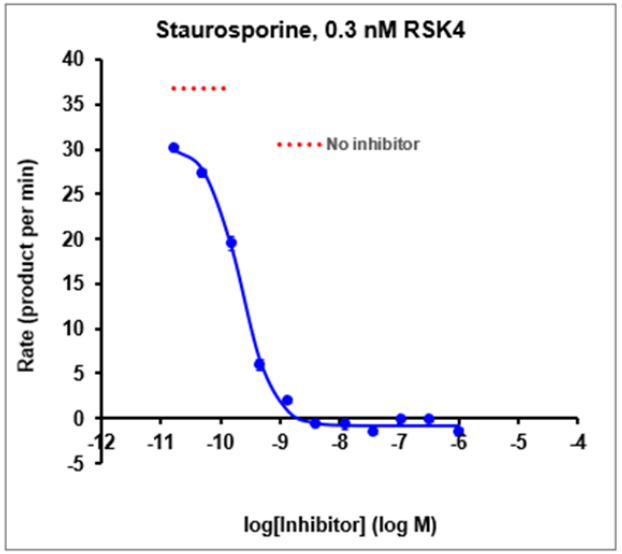
IC_{50} Determination

Progress Curves and IC_{50} Curves and Table

Linear Region of Progress Curves



IC_{50} Curve



IC_{50} Table

Parameter	Value
Bottom	-0.8
Top	30.4
log IC50	-9.66
IC50 (nM)	0.22
Ki (nM)	0.11
Slope	-1.591
R squared	0.997
IC50 approx SE (nM)	0.00
50% inhibition (nM)	0.21

The Y-axis label is RFU/min.

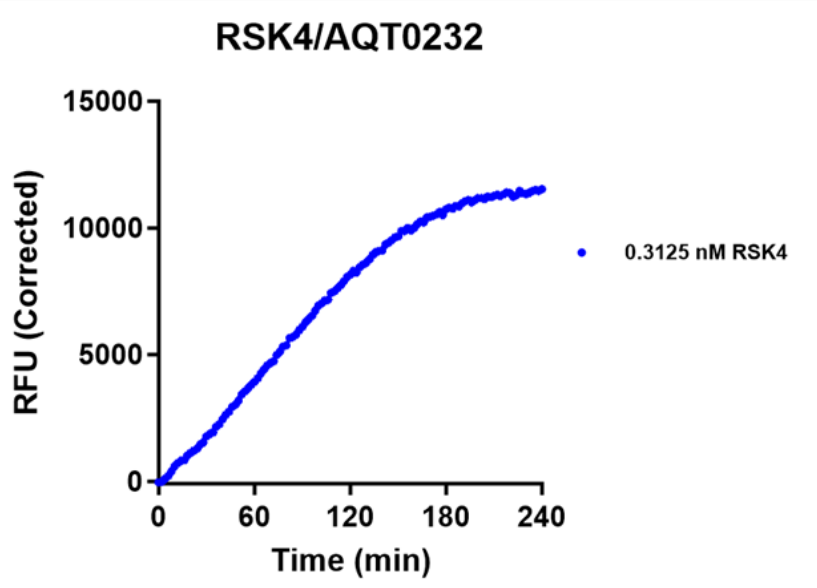
Staurosporine IC_{50} at ATP K_m is 0.22 nM

Summary

Assay Validation Results and Progress Curve and Assay Strength at 1 mM ATP

Experiment	Result
Enzyme Titration Linear Range	0.02 - 0.16 nM
Sensor Peptide K_m Value	8.1 µM
ATP K_m Value	24 µM
DMSO Tolerance (highest % recommended)	2
Staurosporine IC_{50} Determination at ATP K_m	0.22 nM

Progress Curve



Kinase Name	Conc. (nM)	Sox-based Substrate Name	Normalized Reaction Rate (RFU/pmole/mi	Normalized Rate StndError (RFU/pmole/mi
RSK4	0.3125	AQT0232	11,554	51

Assay Strength Key	
Very Strong	>1,000 (RFU/pmole/min)
Strong	300 to 999 (RFU/pmole/min)
Moderate	100 to 299 (RFU/pmole/min)
Weak	30 to 99 (RFU/pmole/min)

Under the conditions utilized for this experiment, the assay is Very Strong