AQT0490 – ERK2 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 ERK2 (Cat#/Lot#: 04-143/12CBS-0211J) amino acids full length; N-terminal GST-tag

Reference Compound Information:

Staurosporine MedChemExpress (Cat. HY-15141)

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 $MgCl_2$

10 µM AQT0490

0.01, 0.02, 0.05, 0.08, 0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1, 2, and 3 nM ERK2

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 volumeafter 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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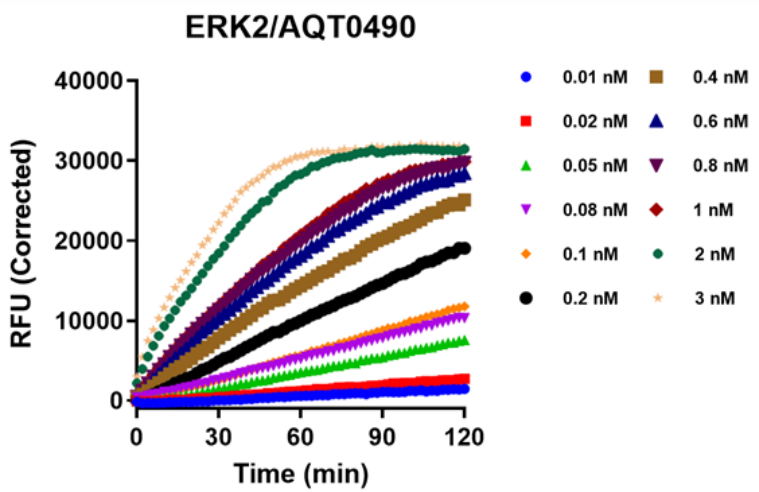
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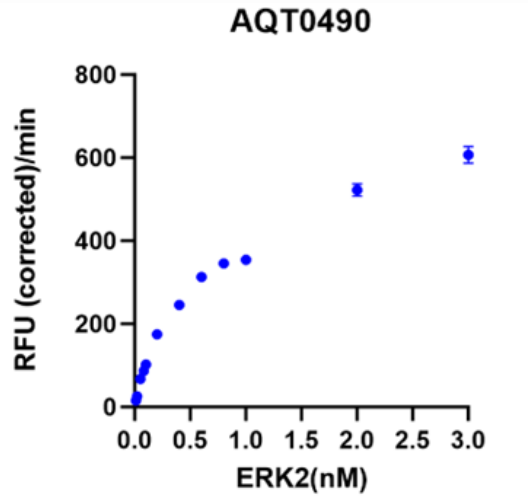
Enzyme Titration

Progress Curves

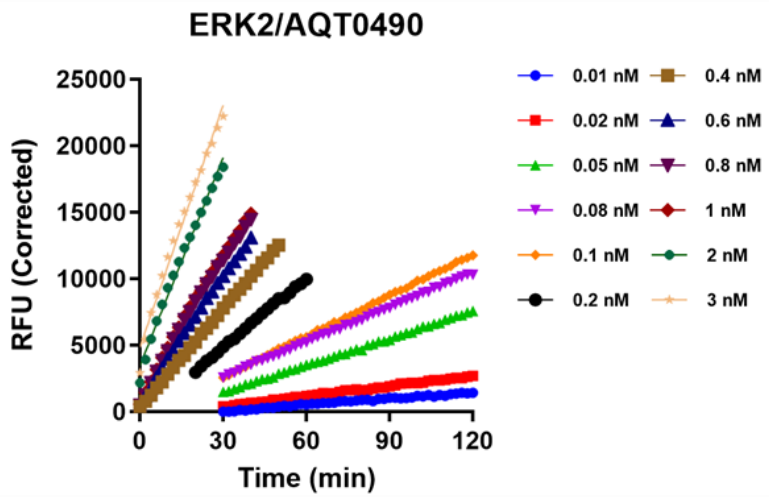
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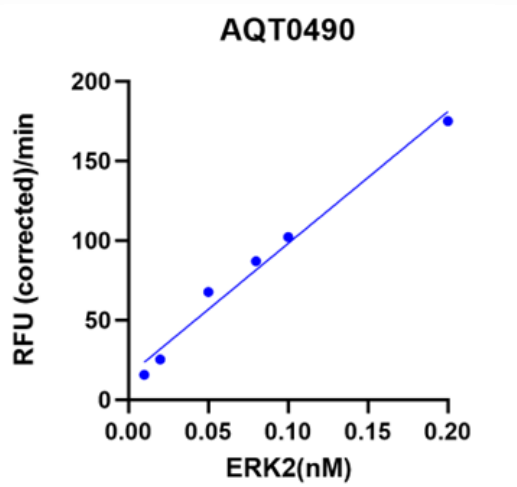
Complete Progress Curves





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	78,500	1,403
0.02	63,575	603
0.05	67,700	308
0.08	54,400	191
0.1	51,150	152
0.2	43,775	433
0.4	30,700	100
0.6	26,100	250
0.8	21,606	344
1	17,730	255
2	13,060	374
3	10,120	337

The reaction is linear from 0.02-0.2 nM

Sensor Peptide K_m Determination

Reaction Conditions and Set Up

Reaction Conditions:

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1 mM ATP

1.2 mM DTT

0.012% Brij-35

1% glycerol

0.2 mg/ml BSA

0.55 mM EGTA

10 mM $MgCl_2$

1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20, 30, 50, 70, and 100 µM AQT0490

0.5 nM ERK2

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

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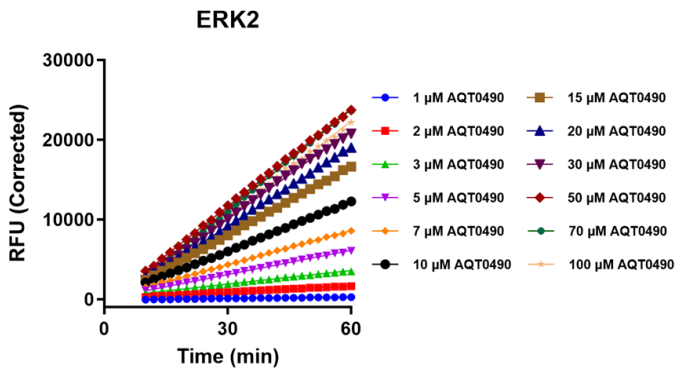
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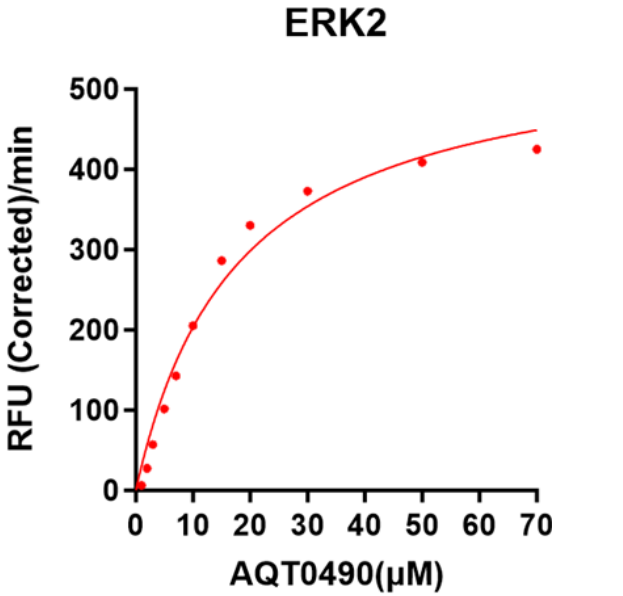
Sensor Peptide K_m Determination

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	561.9
Km	17.63
Std. Error	
Vmax	38.54
Km	2.974
95% CI (profile likelihood)	
Vmax	488.6 to 654.7
Km	12.44 to 25.23
Goodness of Fit	
Degrees of Freedom	9
R squared	0.9772

Sensor Peptide K_m is 18 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 AQT0490

1 nM ERK2

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)
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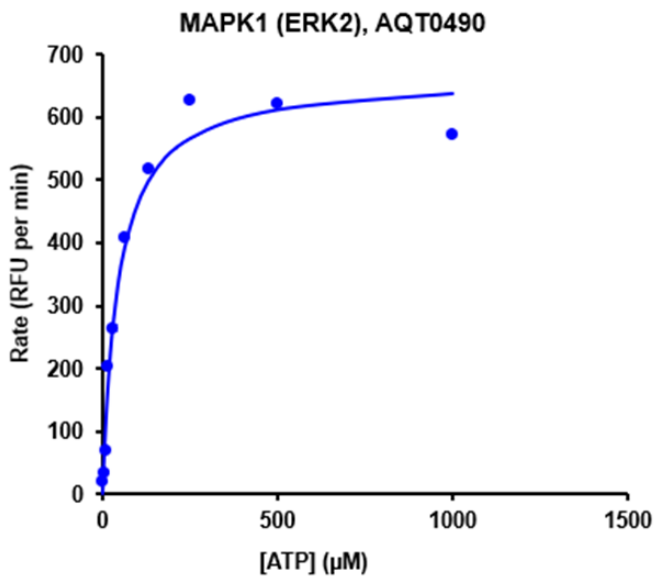
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ATP K_m Determination

Titration Curves and K_m Plot and Table

ATP K_m Plot



ATP K_m is 44 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

10 µM AQT0490

0.5 nM ERK2

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

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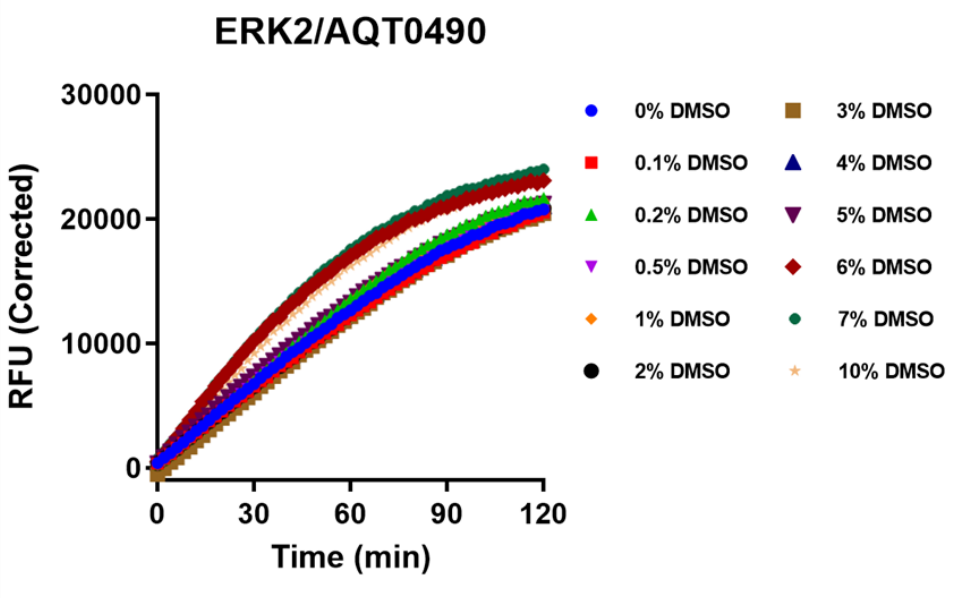
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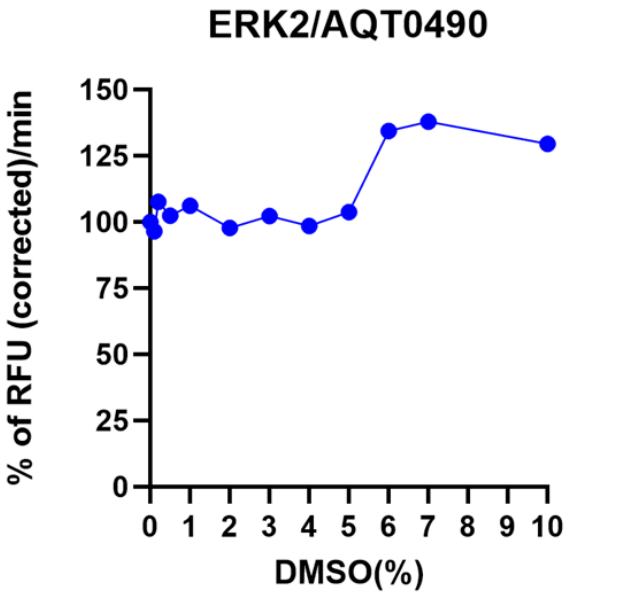
DMSO Tolerance Test

Titration Curves and Inhibition Plot

Complete Progress Curves



Reaction Rate vs [DMSO] Plot



No change in enzyme activity out to 5% 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

10 µM AQT0490

1 nM ERK2

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 volumeafter 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).

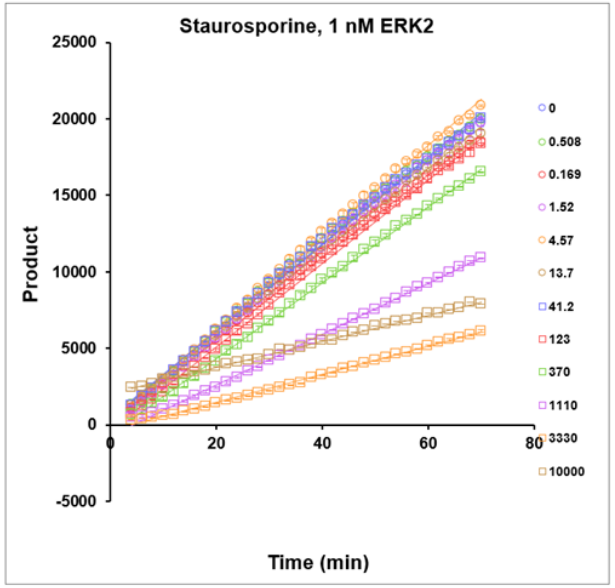
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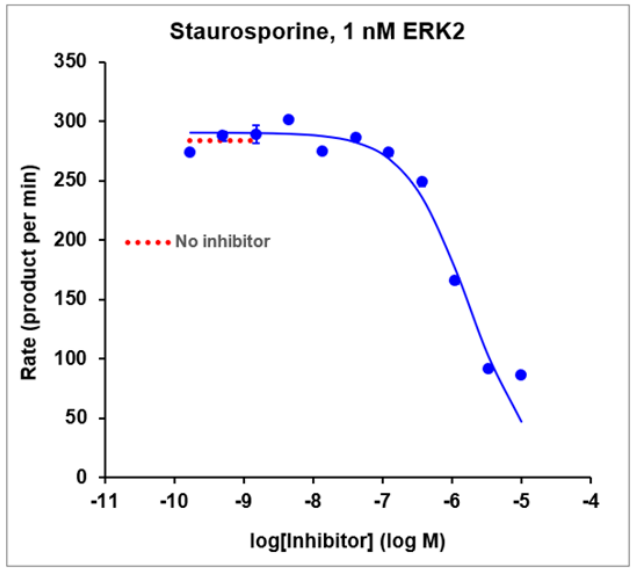
IC_{50} Determination

Progress Curves and IC_{50} Curves and Table

Linear Region of Progress Curves



IC_{50} Curve



IC_{50} Table

Parameter	Value
Bottom	0.0
Top	290.4
log IC50	-5.76
IC50 (nM)	1752.29
Ki (nM)	876.14
Slope	-0.942
R squared	0.962
IC50 approx SE (nM)	72.74
50% inhibition (nM)	1752.29

The Y-axis label is RFU/min.

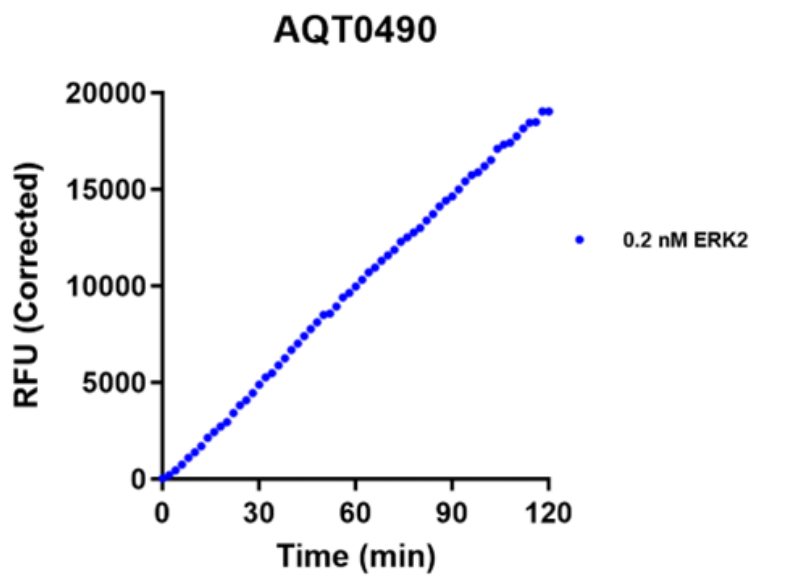
Staurosporine IC_{50} Determination at ATP K_m is 1752 nM

Summary

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

Experiment	Result
Enzyme Titration Linear Range	0.02-0.2nM
Sensor Peptide K_m Value	18 µM
ATP K_m Value	44 µM
DMSO Tolerance (highest % recommended)	5
Staurosporine IC_{50} Determination at ATP K_m	1752 nM

Progress Curve



Kinase Name	Conc. (nM)	Sox-based Substrate Name	Normalized Reaction Rate (RFU/pmole/min)	Normalized Rate StndError (RFU/pmole/min)
ERK2	0.2	AQT0490	43,775	433

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