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ResiQuant[®] Alkali-Resistant Protein A ELISA Kit 2G

For Research and Manufacturing Use

Not Intended for Diagnostic and Therapeutic Use

User Manual

Catalog Number

CRP00-3031S

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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Protein A affinity chromatography resin is commonly utilized for purify antibody-based products. However, Protein A may be disassociated from the spherical polymer beads and co-eluted with antibodies during the purification process, leading to contamination of the final product with Protein A. This impurity poses significant challenges to the pharmaceutical industry as it can negatively impact the purity and efficacy of the product. For instance, the Chinese Pharmacopoeia (ChP) (2020) mandates that the residual amount of Protein A in Lintuzumab injection, as detected by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA), should not exceed 0.001% of the total protein content. Therefore, it is crucial to perform residual Protein A test in biopharmaceutical products. Commercially available Protein A exists variant forms like recombinant nature form, and artificially modified alkaline-tolerant form, such as MabSelect SuReTM Protein A, which is structurally different from the natural Protein A. ResiQuant[®] CRP00-303* kits are specifically designed for highly sensitive detection of Alkaline-Resistant Protein A, with an ultra-low limit of quantitation at 4.9 pg/mL.

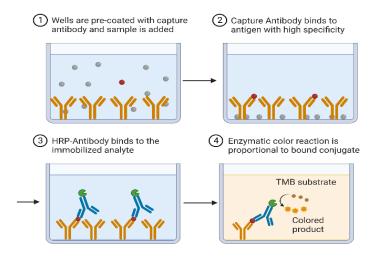
For the first time, it is recommended to conduct a suitability study to evaluate the product's compatibility with the sample matrix and establish the appropriate dilution conditions for sample test.

PRINCIPLES OF THE TEST

The assay employs a sandwich immunoassay methodology for the quantitation of Alkaline-Resistant Protein A. Microplates are coated with antibodies that exhibit specificity for Alkaline-Resistant Protein A. Subsequently, the standards or test samples are pipetted into the microplate wells, facilitating the formation of immune complexes between the immobilized antibodies and the Protein A present in the samples. After a series of washes to remove unbound components, the antibodies conjugated with Horseradish peroxidase (HRP) are added to selectively bind with Protein A within the immune complexes. Following a further round of washes to eliminate unbound Antibody-HRP conjugates, the chromogenic substrate 3,3',5,5'-tetramethylbenzidine (TMB) is introduced, initiating an enzymatic reaction. This reaction involves HRP-mediated oxidation of TMB in the presence of hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂), yielding a blue-colored product that exhibits maximum absorbance at 655 nm. The enzymatic reaction is subsequently halted by the addition of a stop solution, which turns the color to yellow with peak absorbance at 450 nm. The optical density (OD) value at 450 nm, measured by an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) reader, is proportional to the concentration of Protein A within the samples. Quantitative determination of Protein A is achieved with a simultaneously prepared standard curve, using the standard supplied within the kit.



Schematic diagram:



PRODUCT PERFORMANCE

1. Sensitivity: The limit of detection (LOD) for Protein A is 2.5 pg/mL, and the low limit of quantitation (LLOQ) is 4.9 pg/mL.

2. Precision: The coefficient of variation (CV) for sample concentrations within the quantitation range is no more than 20% for both intra and inter-assay.

| PRODUCT APPLICATION

This product is a generic assay kit designed for the quantitative detection of Alkali-Resistant Protein A concentration in samples.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

| Catalog Number | Name | Size |
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| CRP00-3031S | ResiQuant [®] Alkali-Resistant Protein A ELISA Kit 2G | 48T |
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| Name | 96 Tests | 48 Tests | Store |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Protein A Microplate | 8×12 | 8× 6 | 2°C to 8°C |
| Alkali-Resistant Protein A Standard | 2 | 1 | 2°C to 8°C |
| Protein A 100× HRP-Antibody | 60 µL | 30 µL | 2°C to 8°C |
| Protein A Assay Diluent | 2× 25 mL | 25 mL | 2°C to 8°C |
| 20× Wash Buffer Concentrate | 30 mL | 30 mL | 2°C to 8°C |
| Substrate Solution | 12 mL | 6 mL | 2°C to 8°C (Light-Sensitive) |
| Stop Solution | 12 mL | 12 mL | 2°C to 8°C |
| Plate Sealer | 3 | 2 | / |

INSTRUCTION FOR USE

I. Materials required but not provided

1. Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm (If wavelength correction is needed, additional wavelength at 630 nm or 570 nm is required).

- 2. 0.5-10 µL, 2-20 µL, 20-200 µL, 100-1000 µL adjustable micropipettes with disposable tips.
- 3. Microtiter plate rotator.
- 4. Deionized water.

II. Sample collection

- 1. Samples should be clarified and any precipitate should be removed by centrifugation.
- 2. The sample should be diluted in appropriate proportions according to the condition of the sample.

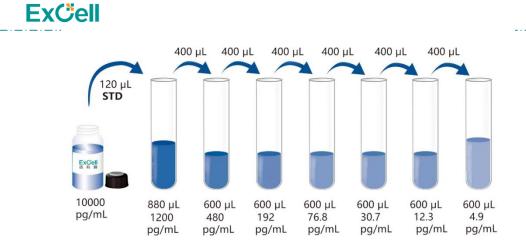
III. Preparation of reagents

1. It is recommended to remove the assay kit from the refrigerator 20 minutes in advance to allow it to equilibrate to room temperature.

Dilute 20× Wash Buffer Concentrate with deionized or distilled water to prepare the washing solution.
Store the unused solution at 2°C to 8°C.

3. Reconstitute the Protein A Standard with Protein A Assay Diluent and dilute it to a concentration of 10,000 pg/mL. Ensure thoroughly mixing to achieve complete reconstitution and allow the standard to incubate for 15 minutes. Then, dilute it to a concentration of 1200 pg/mL as the initial dilution step. Prepare an eight-point standard curve using 2.5-fold serial dilutions with the Assay Diluent. The Assay Diluent itself serves as the zero Standard (0 pg/mL). The recommended concentrations for the standard curve are as follows: 1200, 480, 192, 76.8, 30.7, 12.3, 4.9, and 0 pg/mL.

The dilution of standard solution:



Note: Please aliquot the reconstituted stock solution (10000 pg/mL) and store the unused stock solution at -18°C or lower in two months. Use freshly prepared diluted standards everytime.

4. HRP-Antibody working solution: Freshly prepare everytime the working solution by diluting 100× HRP-Antibody 100-fold with Protein A Assay Diluent in an amount sufficient for the current experiment.

5. Sample handling: The residual Protein A in the sample usually binds to the antibody and interferes the test. Therefore, the Protein A in the sample must be completely dissociated from the antibody for accurate detection. Heat treatment can effectively separate Protein A from antibody, the antibody is denatured and precipitated by heating, and then removed by centrifugation. Protein A is left in the supernatant. High level of the antibody in the sample often interferes with the assay, proper dilution for the test samples is recommend according to the minimum required dilution (MRD).

Sample handling details:

- According to the amount required, it is recommended to prepare at least 400 μL for each concentration (1200, 480, 192, 76.8, 30.7, 12.3, 4.9 and 0 pg/mL).
- According to the amount required, properly dilute all samples based on the MRD with Protein A Assay Diluent, it is recommended to prepare at least 400 µL for each sample.
- 3) Incubate the samples, standards for 10 minutes in a boiling water bath or a block heater.
- 4) Allow the samples and standards cooling for 5-10 minutes at room temperature.
- 5) Centrifuge the samples and standards for 5 minutes at 13000 rpm, room temperature.
- 6) Transfer the supernatants to new tubes.

IV. Washing

1. Automatic washing machine: set the volume to 300 μ L, and the interval between aspiration and dispensing is 10 seconds. Wash the plate 5 times.

2. Manual plate washing: add 300 μ L of Wash Buffer into each well, allow it to sit for 10 seconds, then shake off the liquid in the well. Invert the plate and blot it against clean paper towels. Wash the plate 5 times.

V. Assay procedure

1. Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature before use. Remove excess microplate strips from the plate frame, return them to the foil pouch containing a desiccant pack, reseal tightly and store at 2°C to 8°C.

- 2. Set the blank well (if the plate is measured with dual-wavelength, the blank may not be necessary).
- 3. Prepare samples and standards in advance.
- 4. Add different concentrations of standards or samples to their respective wells, 100 µL per well. Seal

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the reaction wells with the plate sealer. Incubate at **25°C** and shake for 60 minutes, using a microplate shaker (500 rpm).

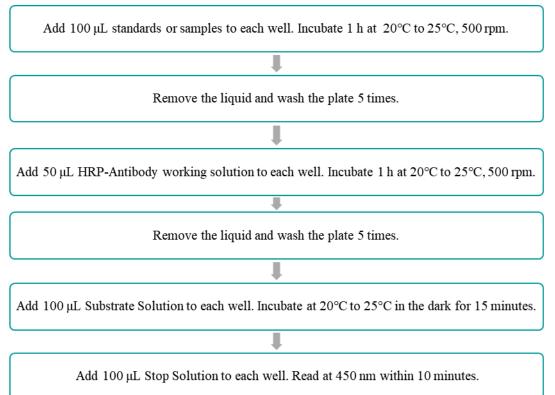
- 5. Prepare HRP-Antibody working solution in advance.
- 6. Remove the liquid from the wells and wash the plate 5 times.
- 7. Add $50 \ \mu$ L HRP-Antibody working solution to each well. Seal the wells with the plate sealer. Incubate

at $25^{\circ}\!C$ and shake for 60 minutes, using a microplate shaker (500 rpm).

- 8. Remove the liquid from the wells and wash the plate 5 times.
- 9. Add 100 µL of Substrate Solution to the wells, Incubate at 20°C to 25°C in the dark for 15 minutes.

10. Add **100** μ L of Stop Solution to well. Read the optical density (OD) of each well within 10 minutes using a microplate reader set to 450 nm. If wavelength correction is available, the OD value at additional wavelength (630 nm or 570 nm) should be collected. For single wavelength mode, the OD value of blank well shall be subtracted from that of each Standard and sample.

VI. Assay Procedure Summary



ANALYSES OF RESULTS

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1. Create a standard curve by plotting the mean optical density (OD) of each standard concentration as the y-axis against the standard concentration on the x-axis. It is recommended to use a four-parameter fitting equation for the standard curve. Calculate the concentration of samples based on their OD values.

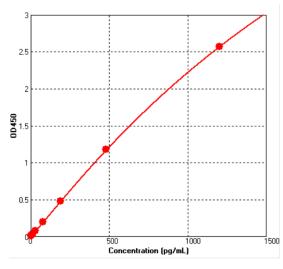
2. The coefficient of determination (\mathbb{R}^2) for the standard curve should be no less than 0.99. Discard those obvious abnormal data, the deviation between the back calculated and the theoretical concentration of each standard should be within $\pm 20\%$, ($\pm 25\%$ for the upper or lower limits of quantitation).

3. The concentration of samples should be calculated with the standard curve in the parallel assay.

4. If the OD value of the sample exceeds the high end of the standard curve, the sample should be appropriately diluted before further measurement. Be aware that the dilution factor should be counted with back calculated concentration together.

| Standard (pg/mL) | OD ₄₅₀₋₆₃₀ | | | Concentration (pg/mL) | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------|--------|--------|--|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | |
| 1200 | 2.647 | 2.515 | 2.552 | 1246.4 | 1165.9 | 1188.2 | |
| 480 | 1.203 | 1.148 | 1.179 | 492.3 | 468.0 | 480.2 | |
| 192 | 0.470 | 0.476 | 0.496 | 186.0 | 188.4 | 196.3 | |
| 76.8 | 0.198 | 0.192 | 0.206 | 78.1 | 75.7 | 81.3 | |
| 30.7 | 0.089 | 0.076 | 0.081 | 34.1 | 28.8 | 30.8 | |
| 12.3 | 0.039 | 0.039 | 0.034 | 13.0 | 13.0 | 10.9 | |
| 4.9 | 0.020 | 0.021 | 0.021 | 4.5 | 5.0 | 5.0 | |
| 0 | 0.008 | 0.012 | 0.009 | | | | |
| \mathbb{R}^2 | 0.99999 | | | | | | |





Note: This graph is provided for reference purpose only. Data analysis was using ELISA Calc software with a four-parameter fitting model.

1. Store the reagents at 2°C to 8°C. The reconstituted standard stock solution should be kept at 18°C or below.

2. The concentrated Antibody-HRP is supplied in a small volume. Turbulence or inversion happened during transportation may cause spray of the solution elsewhere on the wall or the cap. Therefore, please spin the tubes shortly before use to harvest all liquid to the bottom of the tube.

3. In case crystal sediment appears in the $20 \times$ Wash Buffer Concentrate, warm it up at 37°C to dissolve the sediment before use.

- 4. Do not mix or substitute reagents with those from other lots or different kits.
- 5. Ensure thoroughly mixing in preparing the solutions to ensure the reactions are consistent.
- 6. It is recommended to test all samples and standards in duplicate form at least.

DISCLAIMER

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NOTES

1. The product should be used according to the instructions in the manual. If the experimenter fails to operate according to the instructions, our company will not be responsible for any deviation in product performance caused by this.

2. The product is only used for scientific research and commercial production, and is not suitable for clinical diagnosis and treatment. Otherwise, all consequences arising shall be borne by the experimenter, and our company shall not be responsible.