HUMAN SOLUBLE AROMATIC L-AMINO ACID DECARBOXYLASE (AADC/DDC) ELISA KIT

FOR THE QUANTITATIVE DETERMINATION OF HUMAN SOLUBLE AADC /DDC CONCENTRATIONS IN SAMPLES

ALWAYS REFER TO LOT SPECIFIC PROTCOL PROVIDED WITH EACH KIT FOR INSTRUCTIONS. PROTOCOL MUST BE READ BEFORE USING THIS PRODUCT.

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PRODUCT INFORMATION:
THIS IS FOR ONE TIME USED ONLY.

ELISA NAME	HUMAN SOLUBLE AADC/DDC ELISA KIT
Catalog No.	SK00447-06
Lot No.	
Formulation	96 T
Standard Range	125 - 8000 pg/mL
Sensitivity	30 pg/mL
Sample Volume	100 µL
Sample Type	AADC Samples
Dilution Factor	**Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application**
Specificity	Human AADC
Calibration	Human AADC recombinant
Intra-assay Precision	4 - 6%
Inter-assay Precision	8 - 12%
Storage	2 - 8° C
This kit contains sufficient materials to run 35 samples duplicated provided that assay is run according to protocol.	

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DESCRIPTION

This Human Soluble AADC/DDC ELISA Kit contains the necessary components required for the quantitative measurement of recombinant and/or natural human soluble AADC/DDC from samples in a sandwich ELISA format.

This immunoassay contains recombinant human soluble AADC/DDC and antibodies raised against this protein. Results from this immunoassay have shown to accurately quantify recombinant and natural soluble AADC/DDC samples.

ASSAY OVERVIEW

This assay employs the quantitative sandwich ELISA format. The plate is pre-coated with a monoclonal antibody specific for human soluble AADC/DDC. The capture antibody can bind to the human soluble AADC/DDC in the standard and samples. After washing the plate of any unbound substances, a monoclonal antibody-HRP conjugate against human soluble AADC/DDC is added to the wells. After the last wash to remove any unbound enzyme, a substrate solution is added to the wells and color develops in direct proportion to the amount of human soluble AADC/DDC bound in the standard solutions or samples. A standard curve can be established and sample values can be read off the standard curve.

PROCEDURAL LIMITATIONS

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_This ELISA kit should not be used beyond the expiration date on the kit label.
_Do not mix reagents with those from other lots or sources.
_It is important that the Dilution Buffer selected for the standard curve be consistent with the samples being assayed.
_Each laboratory must determine the optimal dilution factors for the samples being assayed with a pretest. If samples generate values that are not within the dynamic range of the standard curve, further concentrate or dilute the samples as required with Dilution Buffer and repeat the assay.
_Any modifications in buffers, pipetting technique, washing technique, incubation time or temperature, as well as kit age can cause a change in signal.
_Not all interfering factors have been tested in the immunoassay, therefore the possibility of interference cannot be excluded.

COMPONENTS PROVIDED

Description	Code	Quantity
sAADC/DDC Microplate - 96 well polystyrene microplate coated with an anti-human soluble AADC/DDC antibody.	**447-06-01**	**1 plate**
sAADC/DDC Standard – refer to lot of recombinant human soluble AADC/DDC in a buffered protein base with preservative; lyophilized.	**447-06-02**	**1 vial**
Detection Antibody-HRP Conjugate – refer to lot of 100-fold concentrated solution of antibody conjugated to HRP against soluble AADC/DDC.	**447-06-03**	**1 vial**
Positive Control – one vial of recombinant human soluble AADC/DDC; lyophilized (optional).	**447-06-04**	**1 vial**
Dilution Buffer – 45 mL of buffered protein based solution with preservative.	**DB10**	**1 bottle**
Wash Buffer - 50 mL of 10-fold concentrated buffered surfactant, with preservative.	**WB01**	**1 bottle**
Substrate Solution - 11 mL of TMB substrate solution.	**TMB01**	**1 bottle**
Stop Solution - 11 mL of 0.5M HCl.	**S-STOP**	**1 bottle**
Plate Sealer	**EAPS**	**1**
Plastic Pouch	**P01**	**1**

STORAGE

Unopened Kit: Store at 2 – 8° C for up to 1 month. For longer storage for up to 10 months, unopened Standard, Positive Control and Dilution Buffer should be stored at -20° C or -70° C. Detection Antibody-HRP Conjugate 100-fold concentrated solution and Substrate Solution can be stored at 2 – 8° C for up to 10 months (**DO NOT FREEZE** and **PROTECT FROM LIGHT**). Do not use kit past expiration date.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS REQUIRED

- Microplate reader capable of absorbance measurement at 450 nm.
- Microplate shaker (300 – 400 rpm).

- Microplate washer or manifold dispenser.
- 100 mL and 500 mL graduated cylinders.
- Multi-channel Pipette, Pipettes and pipette tips.
- Deionized or distilled water.

PRECAUTION

This kit should be handled by those persons who have been trained in and can follow the principles of good laboratory practice. Wear protective clothing such as laboratory overalls, safety glasses and gloves. Care should be taken while handling solutions in this kit to avoid contact with skin or eyes, especially with the stop solution because it contains diluted hydrochloric acid. Wash immediately with water in case of contact on skin or eyes.

SAMPLE PREPARATION

Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application.
Use polypropylene test tubes.

REAGENT PREPARATION

Bring all reagents to room temperature before use.

Wash Buffer - If crystals have formed in the concentrate, warm to room temperature and mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved. Dilute 50 mL of Wash Buffer Concentrate into deionized or distilled water (450 mL) to prepare 500 mL of 1x Wash Buffer.

sAADC/DDC Standard - Reconstitute the sAADC/DDC standard with refer to lot of Dilution Buffer. This reconstitution produces a stock solution of 8000 pg/mL. Allow the stock standard to sit for at least 15 minutes with gentle agitation until completely dissolved prior to making standard dilutions (see below). Mix each tube thoroughly before the next transfer. The **8000 pg/mL** standard serves as the high standard. The Dilution Buffer serves as the zero standard (0 pg/mL).

Tube	Standard	Dilution Buffer	Concentration
Stock	Powder	Refer to lot	8000 pg/ml
# 1	250 µl of stock	250 µl	4000 pg/ml
# 2	250 µl of 1	250 µl	2000 pg/ml
# 3	250 µl of 2	250 µl	1000 pg/ml
# 4	250 µl of 3	250 µl	500 pg/ml
# 5	250 µl of 4	250 µl	250 pg/ml
# 6	250 µl of 5	250 µl	125 pg/ml

Positive Control - Reconstitute the Positive Control with refer to lot of Dilution Buffer.

Detection Antibody-HRP Conjugate - Pipette 10.395 mL of Dilution Buffer into a 15 mL centrifuge tube and transfer 105 µL of 100-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution. **Note:** 1x working solution of Detection Antibody-HRP conjugate should be used within a few hours **(protect from light)**. **DO NOT FREEZE.**

ELISA PROTOCOL

Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature before the start of the assay. Blank, standard dilutions, positive control and samples should be assayed in duplicate. ELISA Protocol may need further optimization.

1. Prepare all reagents and working standards as directed in the previous sections.
2. Remove excess microplate strips from the plate frame, return them to the plastic pouch with the desiccant pack.
3. Add 100 µL of Dilution Buffer to Blank wells.
4. Add 100 µL of Standard dilutions, samples, or positive control per well. Cover with plate sealer. Incubate for 2 hours on microplate shaker at room temperature.
5. Aspirate each well and wash, repeating the process three times for a total of four washes. Wash by filling each well with 1x Wash Buffer (300 µL) using a squirt bottle, manifold dispenser, or autowasher. Complete removal of liquid at each step is essential to good performance. After the last wash, remove any remaining Wash Buffer by aspirating or decanting. Invert the plate and blot it against clean paper towels.
6. Add 100 µL of 1x Detection Antibody-HRP conjugate working solution to each well. Cover with plate sealer. Incubate for 1 hour on microplate shaker at room temperature. **Protect from light.**
7. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.
8. Add 100 µL of Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate for refer to lot on microplate shaker at room temperature. **Protect from light.**
9. Add 100 µL of Stop Solution to each well. The color in the wells should change from blue to yellow. If the color in the wells is green, or if the color change does not appear uniform, gently tap the plate to ensure thorough mixing.

10. Determine the optical density of each well within 5 minutes, using a microplate reader set to 450 nm.

CALCULATION OF RESULTS

Create a standard curve by plotting the log of the known concentrations of the standard dilutions (x-axis) versus the log of its corresponding O.D. (y-axis) and draw the best fit line through the points. It is recommended to use computer software capable of generating a log-log or 4-parameter curve fit to more accurately quantify the standard dilutions.

If samples have been diluted, the concentration read from the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor.

TYPICAL DATA

This standard curve is provided for demonstration only. A new standard curve should be generated for each set of samples assayed.

Standard (pg/mL)	Average OD450 (Corrected)
Blank	0 (refer to lot)
125	0.042
250	0.089
500	0.159
1000	0.324
2000	0.629
4000	1.129
8000	2.129

SPECIFICITY

PROTEINS	CROSS-REACTIVITY
Human soluble AADC/DDC	100
Human DPPIV	0
Human ENPP2	0
Human MPO	0
Human Endothelial Lipase	0
Human AGTL	0

SUMMARY OF ASSAY PROCEDURE

PREPARE REAGENTS, SAMPLES AND STANDARDS
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Add 100 µl of standard dilutions, samples, or positive control to each well. Incubate 2 hours on the plate shaker at RT.
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Aspirate and wash 4 times.
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Add 100 µl per well 1x Detection Antibody-HRP working solution to each well. Incubate 1 hour on the plate shaker at RT. **Protect from light.**
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Aspirate and wash 4 times.
↓
Add 100 µl Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate refer to lot on the plate shaker at RT. **Protect from light.**
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Add 100 µl Stop Solution to each well. Read 450nm within 5 min.