HUMAN MEGAKARYOCYTE-POTENTIATING FACTOR (MPF) ELISA KIT

FOR THE QUANTITATIVE DETERMINATION
OF HUMAN MPF CONCENTRATIONS IN
SERUM, EDTA PLASMA AND CELL CULTURE
SUPERNATES



MPF IS DETECTABLE IN SALIVA. TAKE PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO PREVENT CONTAMINATION OF KIT REAGENTS WHILE RUNNING THIS ASSAY.

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

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PURCHASE INFORMATION:

ELISA NAME	HUMAN MPF ELISA
Catalog No.	SK00722-02
Lot No.	
Formulation	96 T
Standard range	46.88 - 6000 pg/ml
Sensitivity	10 pg/ml
Sample Volume	100 μΙ
Sample Type	Serum, EDTA plasma and Cell culture supernates
Dilution Factor	Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application
Specificity	Human MPF only
Calibration	Human MPF 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 MPF ELISA Kit contains the necessary components required for the quantitative measurement of recombinant and/or natural human MPF from cell culture supernates, serum and plasma in a sandwich ELISA format.

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

ASSAY OVERVIEW

This assay employs the quantitative sandwich ELISA format. The plate is pre-coated with an antibody specific for human MPF. The capture antibody can bind to the human MPF in the standard and samples. After washing the plate of any unbound substances, a biotinylated antibody against human MPF is added to the wells. After another washing of the plate, Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate is added. 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 MPF 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
MPF Microplate - 96 well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with a purified antibody against MPF.	722-02-01	1 plate
MPF Standard – 3000 pg/vial of recombinant human MPF in a buffered protein base with preservative; lyophilized.	722-02-02	2 vials
Detection Antibody Concentrate – 1.05 mL/vial, 10-fold concentrate of biotinylated antibody against MPF with preservative; lyophilized.	722-02-03	1 vial
Positive Control - one vial of recombinant human MPF; lyophilized.	722-02-04	1 vial
Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate - 60 µl/vial, 200- fold concentrated solution of Streptavidin conjugate to HRP.	SAHRP	1 vial
Dilution Buffer – 60 mL of buffered protein based solution with preservative.	DB01	1 bottle
Wash Buffer - 50 mL of 10- fold concentrated buffered surfactant, with preservative.	WB01	1 bottle
TMB Substrate Solution - 11 mL of TMB substrate solution.	ТМВ01	1 bottle
Stop Solution - 11 mL of 0.5M HCl.	S-STOP	1 bottle
Plate Sealer	EAPS	1 piece
Plastic Pouch	P01	1 piece

STORAGE

Unopened Kit: Store at $2-8^{\circ}$ C for up to 12 months. For longer storage, unopened Standard, Positive Control and Detection Antibody Concentrate should be stored at -20° C or -70° C. Do not use kit past expiration date.

Opened / Reconstituted Reagents: Reconstituted Standard (stock) solution and Detection Antibody concentrated solution should be stored -20° C or -70° C for up to one month. Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate 200-fold concentrated solution (protect

from light) and other components may be stored at $2-8^{\circ}$ C for up to 12 months.

Microplate Wells: Return unused wells to the plastic pouch with the desiccant pack. Microplate may be stored for up to 6 months at $2 - 8^{\circ}$ C after opening.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS REQUIRED

- Microplate reader capable of absorbance measurement at 450 nm.
- Microplate shaker (250 300 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 COLLECTION AND STORAGE

Cell Culture Supernates - Remove particulates by centrifugation and assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at ≤ -20° C or -70° C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Serum - Use a serum separator tube (SST) and allow samples to clot for 30 minutes before centrifugation for 15 minutes at $1000 \times g$. Remove serum and assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at \leq -20° C or 70° C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Plasma - Collect plasma using EDTA, heparin, or citrate as an anticoagulant. Centrifuge for 15 minutes at $1000 \times g$ within 30 minutes of collection. Aliquot and store samples at -20° C $^{\sim}$ -70° C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Optional: Use Aprotinin (enzyme inhibitor) for ALL sample collection to prevent sample degradation. 0.5 TIU per ml of sample solution.

SAMPLE PREPARATION

Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. A pretest is suggested to determine the dilution factor. **Use polypropylene test tubes.**

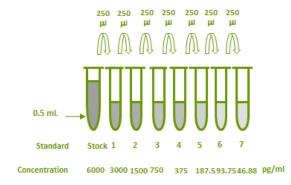
REAGENT PREPARATION

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.

MPF Standard - Reconstitute the MPF standard with 0.5 ml of Dilution Buffer (DB01). This reconstitution produces a stock solution of 6000 pg/ml. Allow the standard to sit for a minimum of 15 minutes with gentle agitation prior to making dilutions. Pipette 250 μ l of Dilution Buffer into tubes #1 to #7. Use the stock solution to produce a dilution series (see below). Mix each tube thoroughly before the next transfer. The 6000 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	0.5 mL	6000 pg/ml
#1	250 μl of stock	250 μΙ	3000 pg/ml
# 2	250 μl of 1	250 μΙ	1500 pg/ml
#3	250 μl of 2	250 μΙ	750 pg/ml
# 4	250 μl of 3	250 μΙ	375 pg/ml
# 5	250 μl of 4	250 μΙ	187.5 pg/ml
# 6	250 μl of 5	250 μΙ	93.75 pg/ml
#7	250 μl of 6	250 μΙ	46.88 pg/ml



Positive Control - Reconstitute the Positive Control with 1 ml of Dilution Buffer. **Note:** Positive control could be reused within a few days if stored at -20° C or -70° C.

Detection Antibody Concentrate - Reconstitute the Detection Antibody Concentrate with 1.05 ml of

Dilution Buffer to produce a 10-fold concentrated stock solution. Pipette 9.45 ml of Dilution Buffer into a 15 ml centrifuge tube and transfer 1.05 ml of 10-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution.

Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate - Pipette 11.94 mL of Dilution Buffer into a 15 ml centrifuge tube and transfer 60 μ l of 200-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution. Note: 1x working solution of Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate should be used within a few days (protect from light).

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 micro-plate strips from the plate frame, return them to the plastic pouch with the desiccant pack.
- 3. Add 100 μ L of Dilution Buffer to Blank wells.
- 4. Add 100 μ L of standard dilutions, samples, or positive control per well. Cover with plate sealer. Incubate for 2 hours on micro-plate 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 μ L of Detection Antibody working solution to each well. Cover with plate sealer. Incubate for 2 hours on micro-plate shaker at room temperature.
- 7. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.
- Add 100 μL of Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate working solution to each well. Incubate for 60 minutes on micro-plate shaker at room temperature. Protect from light.
- 9. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.

- 10. Add 100 μ L of Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate for 25-35 minutes on micro-plate shaker at room temperature. **Protect from light.**
- 11. Add 100 μ L 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.
- 12. Determine the optical density of each well within 15 minutes, using a micro-plate reader set to 450 nm

CALCULATION OF RESULTS

Average the duplicate readings for each standard, positive control and sample, and subtract the average zero standard optical density. Create a standard curve by reducing the data using computer software capable of generating a log-log curve fit. As an alternative, construct a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance for each standard on the y-axis against the concentration on the x-axis and draw a best fit curve through the points on the graph. The data may be linearized by plotting the log of the MPF concentrations versus the log of the O.D. and the best fit line can be determined by regression analysis. This procedure will produce an adequate but less precise fit of the data.

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

TYPICAL DATA

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

STANDARD (PG/ML)	CORRECTED (450NM)
BLANK	0 (0.123)
46.88	0.026
93.75	0.035
187.5	0.060
375	0.096
750	0.157
1500	0.328
3000	0.559
6000	1.113

- Lot No.:
- Positive control:

SPECIFICITY

PROTEINS	CROSS-REACTIVITY (%)
Human MPF	100
Human Mesothelin	0
Human Periostin	0
Human SPARC	0
Human BD1	0

SUMMARY OF ASSAY PROCEDURE

