HUMAN MESOTHELIN ELISA KIT

FOR THE QUANTITATIVE DETERMINATION
OF HUMAN MESOTHELIN
CONCENTRATIONS IN CELL CLUTURE
SUPERNATES, SERUM AND EDTA PLASMA



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PURCHASE INFORMATION:

ELISA NAME	HUMAN MESOTHELIN ELISA
Catalog No.	SK00722-01
Lot No.	
Formulation	96 T
Standard range	125-8000 pg/mL
Sensitivity	62.5 pg/mL
Sample require	100 μL
Dilution Factor	8 (Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application)
Sample Type	Cell Culture Supernates, Serum, EDTA Plasma
Specificity	Human Mesothelin
Intra-assay Precision	4 - 6%
Inter-assay Precision	8 - 12%
Storage	2 – 8 °C

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INTRODUCTION

Human Mesothelin immunoassay is a solid phase ELISA designed to measure human Mesothelin in cell culture supernates, serum and EDTA plasma. It contains recombinant human Mesothelin and antibodies raised against this protein. It has been shown to accurately quantify recombinant human Mesothelin. Results obtained with naturally occurring Mesothelin samples showed linear curves that were parallel to the standard curves obtained using the kit standards. These results indicate that the immunoassay kit can be used to determine relative mass values for natural human Mesothelin.

PRINCIPLE OF THE ASSAY

This assay employs the quantitative sandwich enzyme immunoassay technique. An antibody specific for Mesothelin has been pre-coated onto a microplate. Standards and samples are pipetted into the wells and any Mesothelin present is bound by the immobilized antibody. After washing away any unbound substances, a biotinylated antibody specific for Mesothelin is added to the wells. Following a wash to remove any unbound antibody reagent, a Streptavidin HRP conjugate is added to the wells. After washing away any unbound enzyme, a substrate solution is added to the wells and color develops in proportion to the amount of Mesothelin bound in the initial step. The color development is stopped and the intensity of the color is measured.

LIMITATIONS OF THE PROCEDURE

- _ FOR RESEARCH USE ONLY. NOT FOR USE IN DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES.
- _ The kit should not be used beyond the expiration date on the kit label.
- _ Do not mix or substitute 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.
- _ If samples generate values higher than the highest standard, dilute the samples with Dilution Buffer and repeat the assay.
- _ Any variation in standard diluent, operator, pipetting technique, washing technique, incubation time or temperature, and kit age can cause variation in binding.
- _ This assay is designed to eliminate interference by soluble receptors, binding proteins, and other factors present in biological samples. Until all

factors have been tested in the immunoassay, the possibility of interference cannot be excluded.

MATERIALS PROVIDED

DESCRIPTION	CODE	QUANTITY
Mesothelin Microplate - 96 well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with a purified lgG against Mesothelin.	722-01-01	1 plate
Mesothelin Standard – 8000 pg/vial of recombinant human Mesothelin in a buffered protein base with preservative; lyophilized.	722-01-02	1 vial
Detection Antibody – 1.5 mL/vial, 10-fold Concentrate of a purified IgG against Mesothelin with preservative; lyophilized.	722-01-03	1 vial
Positive Control – one vial of recombinant Mesothelin; lyophilized.	722-01-04	1 vial
Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate – 40 μL/vial, 300-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.	TMB01	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 $2-8\,^{\circ}\text{C}$ for up to 8 months. For longer storage, unopened Standard, Positive Control and Detection Antibody Concentrate should be stored at -20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ or -70 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Do not use kit past expiration date.

Opened / Reconstituted Reagents: Reconstituted Standard (stock) and Detection Antibody concentrated solution SHOULD BE STORED at -20 °C

or -70 °C for up to one month. Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate 300-fold concentrated solution (protect from light) and other components may be stored at 2-8 °C for up to 8 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 °C after opening.

OTHER SUPPLIES REQUIRED

- Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm.
- Microplate shaker (250-300rpm).
- Pipettes and pipette tips.
- Deionized or distilled water.
- Squirt bottle, manifold dispenser, or automated microplate washer.
- 100 mL and 500 mL graduated cylinders.

PRECAUTIONS FOR USE

All reagents should be considered as potentially hazardous. The stop solution contains diluted hydrochloric acid. Appropriate care, therefore, should be taken while handling this solution. We therefore recommend that this product be handled only by those persons who have been trained in laboratory techniques and that it is used in accordance with the principles of good laboratory practice. Wear suitable protective clothing such as laboratory overalls, safety glasses and gloves. Care should be taken to avoid contact with skin or eyes. In the case of contact with skin or eyes wash immediately with water.

SAMPLE COLLECTION AND STORAGE

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

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

Plasma - Collect plasma using EDTA, heparin, or citrate as an anticoagulant. Centrifuge for 15 minutes at 1000 x g within 30 minutes of collection. Assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at \leq -20 °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

Serum and plasma samples may require an 8-fold dilution. A suggested 8-fold dilution is 30 μ L sample + 210 μ L Dilution Buffer. **Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application.**

Use polypropylene test tubes.

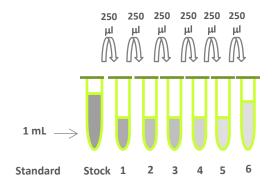
REAGENT PREPARATION

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.

Mesothelin Standard - Refer to vial label for reconstitution volume. Reconstitute the Mesothelin standard with 1.0 mL of Dilution Buffer. This reconstitution produces a stock solution of 8000 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 #6. Use the stock solution to produce a dilution series (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	1.0 mL	8000 pg/mL
#1	250μL of stock	250μL	4000 pg/mL
# 2	250μL of 1	250μL	2000 pg/mL
#3	250μL of 2	250μL	1000 pg/mL
# 4	250μL of 3	250μL	500 pg/mL
# 5	250μL of 4	250μL	250 pg/mL
# 6	250μL of 5	250μL	125 pg/mL



Concentration 8000 4000 2000 1000 500 250 125 pg/ml

Positive Control - Reconstitute the **Positive Control** with 1.0 mL of Dilution Buffer. *Note: Positive Control could be reused within a few days if stored at -20 °C* \sim -70 °C.

Detection Antibody - Reconstitute the **Detection Antibody Concentrate** with 1.5 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.

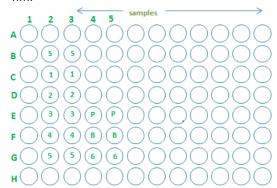
Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate - Pipette 11.96 mL of Dilution Buffer into a 15 mL centrifuge tube and transfer 40 µL of 300-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution. *Note: 1x working solution of Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate should be used within a few days (protect from light).*

ASSAY PROCEDURE

Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature before use. It is recommended that blank, positive control, standards and samples be assayed in duplicate.

- 1. Prepare all reagents and working standards as directed in the previous sections.
- 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 (F4, F5).
- 4. Add 100 μL of Standard solutions in reverse order of serial dilution from #6 to S (G4, G5 and G2, G3 to B2, B3), sample, or positive control (E4, E5) per well. Cover with plate sealer. Incubate for 2 hours

- on microplate shaker at room temperature. A plate layout is provided to record standards and samples assayed.
- 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 microplate shaker at room temperature.
- 7. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.
- 8. Add 100 μL of Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate working solution to each well. Incubate for 60 minutes on microplate 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 2-5 minutes on microplate 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 microplate 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 Mesothelin 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.

Calculation of samples with a concentration exceeding that of standard 8000 pg/mL may result in inaccurate, low human Mesothelin levels. Such samples require further external predilution according to expected human Mesothelin values with Dilution Buffer in order to precisely quantify the actual human Mesothelin level.

CALIBRATION

This immunoassay is calibrated against a highly purified recombinant human Mesothelin.

SENSITIVITY

The minimum detectable dose (MDD) of Mesothelin was 62.5 pg/mL.

SPECIFICITY

This assay recognizes both natural and recombinant human Mesothelin. The factors listed below were prepared at 50 ng/mL in Dilution Buffer, and assayed for cross reactivity.

PROTEIN NAME	CROSS-REACTIVITY
Human Mesothelin (296- 580)	100%
Human Mesothelin, Pro (35-289)	0
Human Osteoponin	0
Human Periostin/OSF-2	0

LINEARITY

To assess the linearity of the assay, pooled research human serum samples were diluted with Dilution Buffer (DB01) and assayed.

DILUTION FACTOR	ASSAYED (PG/ML)	FINAL (NG/ML)	RECOVERY (%)
8x	2353.709	18.83	100
16x	1269.223	20.31	108

To assess the linearity of the assay, pooled research human EDTA plasma samples were diluted with Dilution Buffer (DB01) and assayed.

DILUTION FACTOR	ASSAYED (PG/ML)	FINAL (NG/ML)	RECOVERY (%)
8x	1938.660	15.51	100
16x	1057.997	16.93	109

TYPICAL DATA

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

STANDARD (PG/ML)	AVERAGE OD450 (CORRECTED)
Blank	0(0.150)
125	0.010
250	0.038
500	0.107
1000	0.304
2000	0.785
4000	1.673
8000	2.864

- Lot No.:
- Positive Control:

SUMMARY OF ASSAY PROCEDURE

PREPARE REAGENTS, SAMPLES AND STANDARDS Add 100 μL of standard, samples, positive control to each well. Incubate 2 hours on the plate shaker at RT. Aspirate and wash 4 times. Add 100 µL Detection Antibody working solution to each well. Incubate 2 hours on the plate shaker at RT. Aspirate and wash 4 times. Add 100 µL Streptavidin-HRP conjugate working solution to each well. Incubate 60 min on the plate shaker at RT. Protect from light. Aspirate and wash 4 times. Add 100 μ l Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate 2-5 min on the plate shaker at RT. Protect from light. Add 100 µl Stop Solution to each well. Read 450nm within 15 min.