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Human alpha-2- Macroglobulin ELISA Kit

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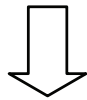
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Assay Summary

Add 50 μ l of Standard/ Sample per well.
Incubate 2 hours.



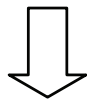
Wash, then add 50 μ l of
Biotinylated Antibody per well.
Incubate 1 hour.



Wash, then add 50 μ l of
SP Conjugate per well.
Incubate 30 minutes.



Wash, then add 50 μ l of
Chromogen Substrate per well.
Incubate 15 minutes.



Add 50 μ l of Stop Solution per well.
Read at 450 nm immediately.

AssayMax Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit

Catalog No. EM1115-1
Sample Insert/Reference Only

Introduction

Human alpha-2-macroglobulin is a major serum protein with diverse functions, including inhibition of protease activity and binding of growth factors, cytokines, and disease factors (1). Increased serum alpha-2-macroglobulin has been suggested to be associated with multiple sclerosis (MS) (2), glomerular disease (3), and with liver diseases (4).

Principle of the Assay

The AssayMax Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin ELISA (Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay) kit is designed for detection of human alpha-2-macroglobulin in saliva, milk, CSF, and cell culture supernatant samples. This assay employs a quantitative sandwich enzyme immunoassay technique that measures alpha-2-macroglobulin in less than 4 hours. A polyclonal antibody specific for alpha-2-macroglobulin has been pre-coated onto a 96-well microplate with removable strips. Human alpha-2-macroglobulin in standards and samples is sandwiched by the immobilized antibody and a biotinylated polyclonal antibody specific for alpha-2-macroglobulin, which is recognized by a streptavidin-peroxidase conjugate. All unbound material is then washed away and a peroxidase enzyme substrate is added. The color development is stopped and the intensity of the color is measured.

Caution and Warning

- **Prepare all reagents (working diluent buffer, wash buffer, standards, biotinylated antibody, and SP conjugate) as instructed, prior to running the assay.**
- **Prepare all samples prior to running the assay. The dilution factors for the samples are suggested in this protocol. However, the user should determine the optimal dilution factor.**
- **Spin down the SP conjugate vial and the biotinylated antibody vial before opening and using contents.**
- This kit is for research use only.
- The kit should not be used beyond the expiration date.
- The Stop Solution is an acidic solution.

Reagents

- **Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin Microplate:** A 96-well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with a polyclonal antibody against alpha-2-macroglobulin.
- **Sealing Tapes:** Each kit contains 3 precut, pressure sensitive sealing tapes that can be cut to fit the format of the individual assay.
- **Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin Standard:** Human alpha-2-macroglobulin in a buffered protein base (2 µg, lyophilized).
- **Biotinylated Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin Antibody (50x):** A 50-fold concentrated biotinylated polyclonal antibody against human alpha-2-macroglobulin (140 µl).
- **EIA Diluent Concentrate (10x):** A 10-fold concentrated buffered protein base (30 ml).
- **Wash Buffer Concentrate (20x):** A 20-fold concentrated buffered surfactant (30 ml, 2 bottles).
- **Streptavidin-Peroxidase Conjugate (SP Conjugate):** A 100-fold concentrate (80 µl).
- **Chromogen Substrate:** A ready-to-use stabilized peroxidase chromogen substrate tetramethylbenzidine (8 ml).
- **Stop Solution:** A 0.5 N hydrochloric acid to stop the chromogen substrate reaction (12 ml).

Storage Condition

- Upon arrival, immediately store components of the kit at recommended temperatures up to the expiration date.
- Store SP Conjugate and Biotinylated Antibody at -20°C.
- Store Microplate, Diluent Concentrate (10x), Wash Buffer, Stop Solution, and Chromogen Substrate at 2-8°C.
- Unused microplate wells may be returned to the foil pouch with the desiccant packs and resealed. May be stored for up to 30 days in a vacuum desiccator.
- Diluent (1x) may be stored for up to 30 days at 2-8°C.
- Store Standard at 2-8°C before reconstituting with diluent and at -20°C after reconstituting with diluent.

Other Supplies Required

- Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm.
- Pipettes (1-20 µl, 20-200 µl, 200-1000 µl, and multiple channel).
- Deionized or distilled reagent grade water.

Sample Collection, Preparation and Storage

- **Cell Culture Supernatants:** Centrifuge cell culture media at 3000 x *g* for 10 minutes to remove debris. Collect supernatants and assay. Store the remaining samples at -20°C or below. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- **Milk:** Collect milk using sample tube. Centrifuge samples at 800 x *g* for 10 minutes. Milk dilution is suggested at 1:40 into EIA Diluent; however, the user should determine the optimal dilution factor. The undiluted samples can be stored at -20°C or below for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- **Saliva:** Collect saliva using sample tube. Centrifuge samples at 800 x *g* for 10 minutes. Saliva dilution is suggested at 1:4 into EIA Diluent; however, the user should determine the optimal dilution factor. The undiluted samples can be stored at -20°C or below for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- **CSF:** Collect cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) using sample pot. Centrifuge samples at 3000 x *g* for 10 minutes. Dilute samples 1:40 into EIA Diluent and assay. The undiluted samples can be stored at -80°C for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Reagent Preparation

- Freshly dilute all reagents and bring all reagents to room temperature before use.
- **EIA Diluent Concentrate (10x):** If crystals have formed in the concentrate, mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved. Dilute EIA Diluent Concentrate 1:10 with reagent grade water. Store for up to 30 days at 2-8°C.
- **Standard Curve:** Reconstitute the 2 µg of Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin Standard with 4 ml of EIA Diluent to generate a 0.5 µg/ml standard solution. Allow the standard to sit for 10 minutes with gentle agitation prior to making dilutions. Prepare duplicate or triplicate standard points by serially diluting the alpha-2-Macroglobulin standard solution (0.5 µg/ml) 1:4 with EIA Diluent to produce 0.125, 0.031, 0.008, and 0.002 µg/ml solutions. EIA Diluent serves as the zero standard (0 µg/ml). Any remaining solution should be frozen at -20°C and used within the next 30 days.

Standard Point	Dilution	[alpha-2-Macroglobulin] (µg/ml)
P1	Standard (0.5 µg/ml)	0.500
P2	1 part P1 + 3 parts EIA Diluent	0.125
P3	1 part P2 + 3 parts EIA Diluent	0.031
P4	1 part P3 + 3 parts EIA Diluent	0.008
P5	1 part P4 + 3 parts EIA Diluent	0.002
P6	EIA Diluent	0.000

- **Biotinylated Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin Antibody (50x):** Spin down the antibody briefly and dilute the desired amount of the antibody 1:50 with EIA Diluent. Any remaining solution should be frozen at -20°C.
- **Wash Buffer Concentrate (20x):** If crystals have formed in the concentrate, mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved. Dilute Wash Buffer Concentrate 1:20 with reagent grade water.
- **SP Conjugate (100x):** Spin down the SP Conjugate briefly and dilute the desired amount of the conjugate 1:100 with EIA Diluent. Any remaining solution should be frozen at -20°C.

Assay Procedure

- Prepare all reagents, working standards, and samples as instructed. Bring all reagents to room temperature before use. The assay is performed at room temperature (20-25°C).
- Remove excess microplate strips from the plate frame and return them immediately to the foil pouch with desiccants inside. Reseal the pouch securely to minimize exposure to water vapor and store in a vacuum desiccator.
- Add 50 µl of Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin Standard or sample per well. Cover wells with a sealing tape and incubate for 2 hours. Start the timer after the last addition.
- Wash five times with 200 µl of Wash Buffer manually. Invert the plate each time and decant the contents; hit 4-5 times on absorbent material to completely remove the liquid. If using a machine, wash six times with 300 µl of Wash Buffer and then invert the plate, decanting the contents; hit 4-5 times on absorbent material to completely remove the liquid.
- Add 50 µl of Biotinylated Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin Antibody to each well and incubate for 1 hour.
- Wash the microplate as described above.
- Add 50 µl of Streptavidin-Peroxidase Conjugate per well and incubate for 30 minutes. Turn on the microplate reader and set up the program in advance.
- Wash the microplate as described above.

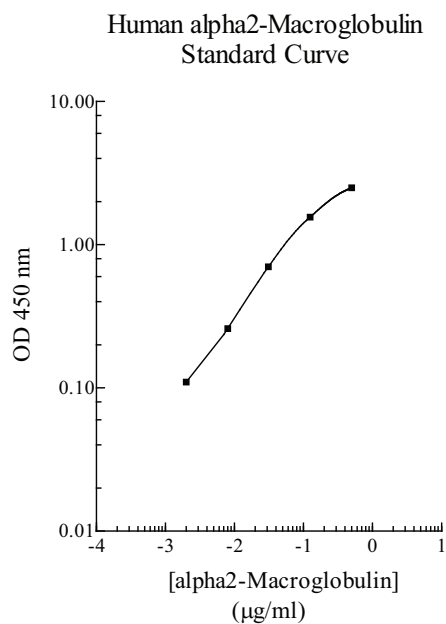
- Add 50 μ l of Chromogen Substrate per well and incubate for about 15 minutes or till the optimal blue color density develops. Gently tap the plate to ensure thorough mixing and break the bubbles in the well with pipette tip.
- Add 50 μ l of Stop Solution to each well. The color will change from blue to yellow.
- Read the absorbance on a microplate reader at a wavelength of 450 nm **immediately**. If wavelength correction is available, subtract readings at 570 nm from those at 450 nm to correct optical imperfections. Otherwise, read the plate at 450 nm only. Please note that some unstable black particles may be generated at high concentration points after stopping the reaction for about 10 minutes, which will reduce the readings.

Data Analysis

- Calculate the mean value of the duplicate or triplicate readings for each standard and sample.
- To generate a standard curve, plot the graph using the standard concentrations on the x-axis and the corresponding mean 450 nm absorbance on the y-axis. The best-fit line can be determined by regression analysis using log-log or four-parameter logistic curve-fit.
- Determine the unknown sample concentration from the Standard Curve and multiply the dilution factor.

Standard Curve

- The curve is provided for illustration only. A standard curve should be generated each time the assay is performed.



Performance Characteristics

- The minimum detectable level of α 2-Macroglobulin is typically ~ 2 ng/ml.
- Intra-assay and inter-assay coefficients of variation were 4.9% and 7.1% respectively.

Recovery

Standard Added Value	0.008 – 0.125 μ g/ml
Recovery %	84 – 115%
Average Recovery %	97%

Linearity

	Average Percentage of Expected Value
Sample Dilution	Milk
1:20	97%
1:40	99%
1:80	106%

	Average Percentage of Expected Value
Sample Dilution	Saliva
1:2	90%
1:4	97%
1:8	105%

Cross-Reactivity

Species	% Cross Reactivity
Beagle	None
Bovine	None
Monkey	None
Mouse	None
Rat	None
Swine	None
Rabbit	None
Human	100%

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Related Products

- EM2115-1 AssayMax Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit (Plasma and Serum samples)
- EMM1115-1 AssayMax Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit (Plasma, Serum, Urine, and Cell Culture samples)
- ERM1115-1 AssayMax Rat alpha-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit (Plasma, Serum, Urine, and Cell Culture samples)