

## Human TGF-beta1 Sandwich ELISA Kit Datasheet

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**Catalogue Number:** KE00002

**Size:** 5\*96T

**Sensitivity:** 3.3 pg/mL

**Range:** 15.6-1000 pg/mL

**Usage:** For the quantitative detection of human TGF-beta1 concentrations in serum, plasma, cell culture supernatant and urine.

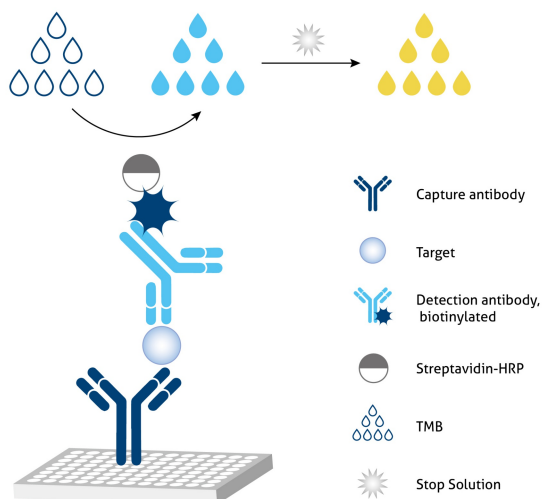
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## 1. Background

TGF-beta is a member of the transforming growth factor beta (TGFB) family of cytokines, which are multifunctional peptides that regulate proliferation, differentiation, adhesion, migration, and other functions in many cell types. TGF-beta is produced by a number of cell types including regulatory T cells, fibroblasts, epithelial cells, and endothelial cells. TGF-beta acts synergistically with TGFA in inducing transformation. It also acts as a negative autocrine growth factor. TGF-beta plays an important role in bone remodeling as it is a potent stimulator of osteoblastic bone formation, causing chemotaxis, proliferation and differentiation in committed osteoblasts. TGF-beta appears to promote late stage progression and metastasis in some cancers.

## 2. Principle



### Sandwich ELISA structure (Detection antibody labeled with biotin)

A capture antibody is pre-coated onto the bottom of wells which binds to analyte of interest. A detection antibody labeled with biotin also binds to the analyte. Streptavidin-HRP binds to the biotin. TMB acts as the HRP substrate and the solution color will change from colorless to blue. A stop solution containing sulfuric acid turns solution yellow. The color intensity is proportional to the quantity of bound protein which is measurable at 450 nm with the correction wavelength set at 630 nm.

## 3. Required Materials

- 3.1 A microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm with the correction wavelength set at 630 nm.
- 3.2 Calibrated, adjustable precision pipettes and disposable plastic tips. A manifold multi-channel pipette is recommended for large assays.
- 3.3 Plate washer: automated or manual.
- 3.4 Absorbent paper towels.
- 3.5 Glass or plastic tubes to prepare standard and sample dilutions.
- 3.6 Beakers and graduated cylinders.
- 3.7 Log-log or semi-log graph paper or computer and software for ELISA data analysis. A four-parameter logistic (4-PL) curve-fit is recommended.

## 4. Kit Components and Storage

Microplate - antibody coated 96-well microplate (8 well × 12 strips)	5 plates	<b>Unopened Kit:</b> Store at 2-8°C for 6 months or -20°C for 12 months. <b>Opened Kit:</b> All reagents stored at 2-8°C for 7 days. <b>Please use a new standard for each assay.</b>
Protein standard - 2000 pg/bottle; lyophilized	10 bottles	
Detection antibody, biotinylated (100×) - 600 μ L/vial*	1 vial	
Streptavidin-horseradish peroxidase (HRP) (100×) - 600 μ L/vial*	1 vial	
Sample Diluent PT 1-ec - 150 mL/bottle	1 bottle	
Detection Diluent - 150 mL/bottle	1 bottle	
Wash Buffer Concentrate (20×) - 150 mL/bottle	1 bottle	
Tetramethylbenzidine Substrate (TMB) - 60 mL/bottle	1 bottle	
Stop Solution - 60 mL/bottle	1 bottle	
Plate Cover Seals	15 pieces	

\* Centrifugation immediately before use

## 5. Safety Notes

- 5.1 Avoid any skin and eye contact with Stop Solution and TMB. In case of contact, wash thoroughly with water.
- 5.2 Do not use the kit after the expiration date.
- 5.3 Do not mix or substitute reagents or materials from other kit lots or other sources.
- 5.4 Be sure to wear protective equipment such as gloves, masks and goggles during the experiment.
- 5.5 When using an automated plate washer, adding a 30 second soak period following the addition of Wash Buffer to improve assay precision

## 6. Sample Collection and Storage

- 6.1 Serum: Allow blood samples to clot for 30 minutes, followed by centrifugation for 15 minutes at 1000xg. Clear serum can be assayed immediately or aliquoted and stored at -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- 6.2 Plasma: Use EDTA, heparin, or citrate as an anticoagulant for plasma collection. Centrifuge for 15 minutes at 1000xg within 30 minutes of collection. The plasma can be assayed immediately or aliquoted and stored at -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- 6.3 Cell Culture Supernatant: Remove particulates by centrifugation for 5 minutes at 500xg and assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at ≤ -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- 6.4 Urine: Collect urine samples and centrifuge for 20 minutes at 1000xg. Collect the aqueous layer, assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at ≤ -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

## 7. Reagent Preparation

**7.1 Wash Buffer (1X):** If crystals have formed in the concentrate, warm to room temperature and mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved. Add 30 mL of Wash Buffer Concentrate(20X) to 570 mL deionized or distilled water to prepare 1X Wash Buffer.

**7.2 Detection Antibody (1X):** Dilute 100X Detection Antibody 1:100 using Detection Diluent prior to assay. Suggested 1:100 dilution: 10 μ L 100X Detection Antibody + 990 μ L Detection Diluent (Centrifuge the 100 X Detection Antibody solution for a

few seconds prior to use).

**7.3 Streptavidin-HRP (1X):** Dilute 100X Streptavidin-HRP 1:100 using Detection Diluent prior to assay. Suggested 1:100 dilution: 10  $\mu$  L 100X Streptavidin-HRP + 990  $\mu$  L Detection Diluent (Centrifuge the 100X Streptavidin-HRP solution for a few seconds prior to use).

**7.4 Sample Dilution:** Different samples should be diluted with corresponding Sample Diluent, samples may require further dilution if the readout values are higher than the highest standard OD reading. Variations in sample collection, processing and storage may affect the results of the measurement.

Recommended Dilution for different sample types: 1:50 or 1:100 is recommended for serum and plasma; 1:2 or 1:4 is recommended for cell culture supernatant.

To activate latent TGF-beta1 to the immunoreactive form, prepare the following solutions for acid activation and neutralization. The solutions may be stored in polypropylene bottles at room temperature for up to one month.

1 N HCL (100 mL) - To 91.67 mL of deionized water, slowly add 8.33 mL of 12 N HCL. Mix well.

1.2 N NaOH/0.5 M HEPES (100 mL) - To 75 mL of deionized water, slowly add 12 mL of 10 N NaOH. Mix well. Add 11.9 g of HEPES. Mix well. Bring final volume to 100 mL with deionized water.

For each new lot of acidification and neutralization reagents, measure the pH of several representative samples after neutralization to ensure that it is within pH 7.2-7.6. Adjust the volume and corresponding dilution factor of the neutralization reagent as needed.

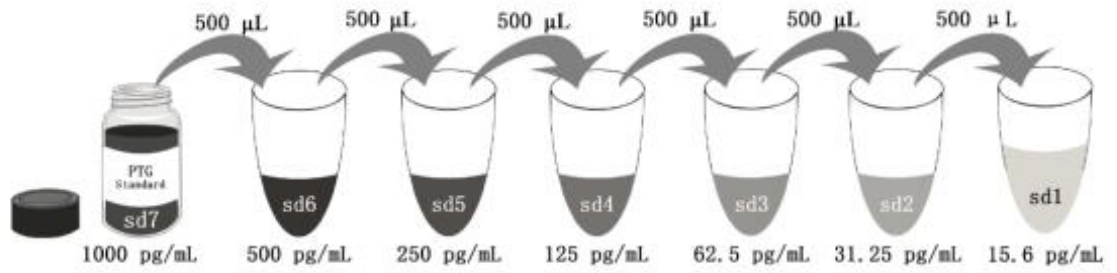
NB: Do not activate the kit standards. The kit standards contain active recombinant TGF-beta1.

Cell culture supernatant/Urine	Serum/Plasma
To 100 $\mu$ L of cell culture supernatant, add 20 $\mu$ L of 1 N HCL.	To 50 $\mu$ L serum/plasma, add 25 $\mu$ L of 1 N HCL.
Mix well.	Mix well.
Incubate 10 minutes at room temperature.	Incubate 10 minutes at room temperature.
Neutralize the acidified sample by adding 20 $\mu$ L of 1.2 N NaOH/0.5 M HEPES.	Neutralize the acidified sample by adding 25 $\mu$ L of 1.2 N NaOH/0.5 M HEPES.
Mix well.	Mix well.
Assay immediately.	Prior to the assay, dilute the activated sample with Sample Diluent PT 1-ec. See the following data for suggested dilutions.
The concentration read of the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor, 1.4.	The concentration read of the standard curve must be multiplied by the appropriate dilution factors.

Activated serum and plasma samples may be stored for up to 24 hours at 2-8 °C before use. Activated cell culture supernatant/urine samples must be assayed immediately after activation. Do not freeze activated samples.

### 7.5 Standard Serial Dilution:

Add 2 mL Sample Diluent PT 1-ec is for protein standard.



Add # $\mu\text{L}$ of Standard diluted in the previous step	—	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$
# $\mu\text{L}$ of Sample Diluent PT 1-ec	2000 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$	500 $\mu\text{L}$
	"sd7"	"sd6"	"sd5"	"sd4"	"sd3"	"sd2"	"sd1"

## 8. Assay Procedure Summary

Bring all reagents to room temperature before use (Detection antibody and Streptavidin-HRP can be used immediately). To avoid cross-contamination, change pipette tips between additions of each standard level, between sample additions, and between reagent additions. Also, use separate reservoirs for each reagent.

8.1 Take out the required number of microplate strips and return excess strips to the foil pouch containing the drying reagent pack and reseal; store at 4°C immediately. Microplate strips should be used in one week.

8.2 Preset the layout of the microplate, including control group, standard group and sample group, add 100  $\mu$  L of each standard and sample to the appropriate wells. (Make sure sample addition is uninterrupted and completed within 5 to 10 minutes, it is recommended to assay all standards, controls, and samples in duplicate).

8.3 Seal plate with cover seal, pressing it firmly onto top of microwells. Incubate the plate for 2 hours at 37°C.

### 8.4 Wash

1) Gently remove the cover seal. Discard the liquid from wells by aspirating or decanting. Remove any residual solution by tapping the plate a few times on fresh paper towels.

2) Wash 4 times with 1X Wash Buffer, using at least 350-400  $\mu$  L per well. Following the last wash, firmly tap plates on fresh towels 10 times to remove residual Wash Buffer. Avoid getting any towel fibers in the wells or wells drying out completely.

8.5 Add 100  $\mu$  L of 1X Detection Antibody solution (refer to Reagent Preparation 7.2) to each well. Seal plate with cover seal and incubate for 1 hour at 37°C.

8.6 Repeat wash step in 8.4.

8.7 Add 100  $\mu$  L of 1X Streptavidin-HRP solution (refer to Reagent Preparation 7.3) to each well. Seal plate with cover seal and incubate the plate for 40 minutes at 37°C.

8.8 Repeat wash step in 8.4.

8.9 Signal development: Add 100  $\mu$  L of TMB substrate solution to each well, protected from light. Incubate for 15 to 20 minutes. Substrate Solution should remain colorless until added to the plate.

8.10 Quenching color development: Add 100  $\mu$  L of Stop Solution to each well in the same order as addition of the TMB substrate. Mix by tapping the side of the plate gently. NB: Avoid skin and eye contact with the Stop solution.

8.11 Read results: Immediately after adding Stop solution read the absorbance on a microplate reader at a wavelength of 450 nm. If possible, perform a double wavelength readout (450 nm and 630 nm).

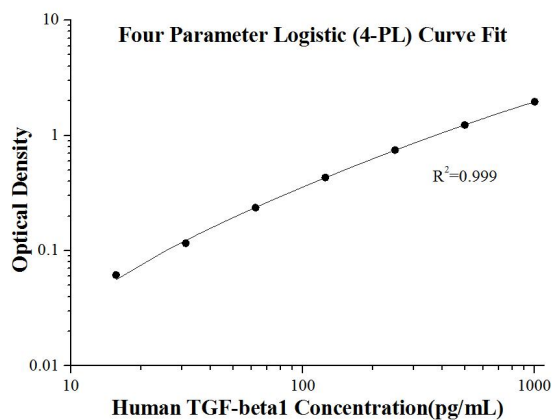
8.12 Data analysis: Calculate the average of the duplicate readings (OD value) for each standard and sample, and subtract the average of the zero standard absorbance. Construct a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance for each standard on the y-axis against the concentration on the x-axis, use four-parameter logistic curve-fit (4-PL) analysis to do this. If the samples have been diluted, the OD readout from the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor used.

Step	Reagent	Volume	Incubation	Wash	Notes
1	Standard and Samples	100 $\mu$ L	120 min	4 times	Cover Wells incubate at 37°C
2	Diluent Antibody Solution	100 $\mu$ L	60 min	4 times	Cover Wells incubate at 37°C
3	Diluent HRP Solution	100 $\mu$ L	40 min	4 times	Cover Wells incubate at 37°C
4	TMB Substrate	100 $\mu$ L	15-20 min	Do not wash	Incubate in the dark at 37°C
5	Stop Solution	100 $\mu$ L	0 min	Do not wash	-
6	Read plate at 450 nm and 630 nm immediately after adding Stop solution. DO NOT exceed 5 minutes.				

## 9. Validation Data

### 9.1 Standard curve

These standard curves are provided for demonstration only. A standard curve should be generated for each set of samples assayed.



(pg/mL)	O.D	Average	Corrected
0	0.024 0.019	0.0215	-
15.63	0.091 0.075	0.083	0.0615
31.25	0.145 0.13	0.1375	0.116
62.5	0.258 0.257	0.2575	0.236
125	0.452 0.454	0.453	0.4315
250	0.789 0.746	0.7675	0.746
500	1.269 1.239	1.254	1.2325
1000	2.009 1.95	1.9795	1.958

### 9.2 Precision

**Intra-assay Precision** (Precision within an assay) Three samples of known concentration were tested 20 times on one plate to assess intra-assay precision.

**Inter-assay Precision** (Precision between assays) Three samples of known concentration were tested in 24 separate assays to assess inter-assay precision.

Intra-assay Precision				
Sample	n	Mean (pg/mL)	SD	CV%
1	20	632.6	28.2	4.5
2	20	81.2	3.9	4.8
3	20	18.5	0.9	4.9

Inter-assay Precision				
Sample	n	Mean (pg/mL)	SD	CV%
1	24	659.6	62.0	9.4
2	24	83.3	4.5	5.5
3	24	15.5	0.3	2.0



### 9.3 Recovery

The recovery of human TGF-beta1 spiked to three different levels throughout the range of the assay in various matrices was evaluated.

Sample Type		Average% of Expected	Range (%)
Human plasma	1:50	94	81-110
	1:100	106	103-111
Cell culture supernatant	1:10	101	93-111
	1:20	109	104-115
Urine	1:5	94	86-101
	1:10	92	87-96

### 9.4 Sample values

	Sample1	Sample2	Sample3	Sample4
Human plasma	12,500 pg/mL	7,748 pg/mL	8,038 pg/mL	11,844 pg/mL

### 9.5 Sensitivity

The minimum detectable dose of human TGF-beta1 is 3.3 pg/mL. This was determined by adding two standard deviations to the concentration corresponding to the mean O.D. of 20 zero standard replicates.

## 9.6 Linearity

To assess the linearity of the assay, samples were diluted with the appropriate **Sample Diluent** to produce samples with values within the dynamic range of the assay.

(The serum and plasma samples were initially diluted 1:50. The cell culture supernatant samples was initially diluted 1:1)

		Human plasma	Cell culture supernatant	Urine
1:2	Average% of Expected	85	94	100
	Range (%)	81-91	84-107	95-109
1:4	Average% of Expected	95	96	98
	Range (%)	91-101	89-101	87-110
1:8	Average% of Expected	99	97	98
	Range (%)	97-102	90-103	89-109
1:16	Average% of Expected	103	103	98
	Range (%)	96-110	96-111	91-107

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