



Human Growth Factor ELISA Strip II (Chemiluminescence)

Catalog Number EA-1661 (For Research Use Only)

Introduction

Growth factors are a family of proteins capable of stimulating cellular growth, proliferation and cellular differentiation. They typically act as signaling molecules by binding to receptors on the cell surface. Many growth factors are quite versatile, stimulating cellular division in numerous different cell types; while others are specific to a particular cell-type. Multiple growth factors often together participate in cellular functions. For example, VEGF, FGF, and EGF stimulate angiogenesis. Therefore, profiling the expression pattern of growth factors provides a valuable insight to the biological mechanisms underlying cellular functions. Signosis' Human Growth Factor ELISA Strip quantitatively profiles and measures 8 proteins; VEGF, EGF, PDGF-BB, β -NGF, SCF, TNF α , FGFb and TGFb. The difference of these proteins between two samples can be determined through data comparison.

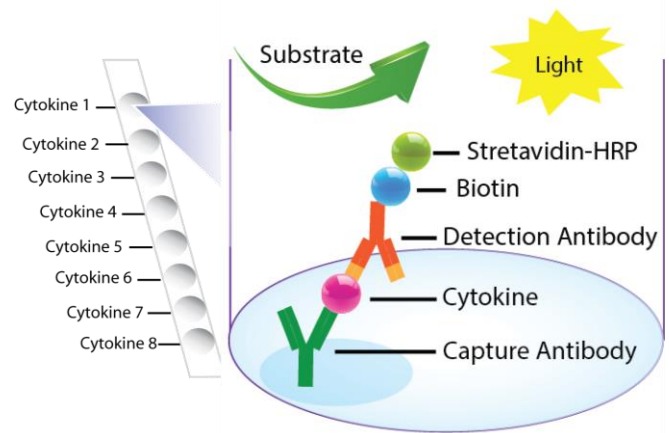


Diagram of Human Growth Factor ELISA Strip II (Chemiluminescence)

Principle of the assay

In each well of the strip, a primary antibody against a specific cytokine is coated and each of the 8 wells of the strip is coated different antibodies. Therefore, each strip can measure of 8 different proteins. The test sample is allowed to react simultaneously with pairs of two antibodies, resulting in the cytokines being sandwiched between the solid phase and enzyme-linked antibodies. After incubation, the wells are washed to remove unbound-labeled antibodies. The plate is further detected with HRP luminescent substrate. Luminescence is reported as relative light units (RLUs) on a microplate luminometer. The level of expression is directly proportional to the luminescent intensity.

Materials provided with the kit

Component	Qty	Store at
96-Well white 12 strip Plate coated with 8 different antibodies against Human Growth Factor II cytokines	1	4°C
Biotin-labeled antibody mixture against 8 different Human Growth Factor II cytokines	200 μ L	-20°C
Streptavidin-HRP conjugate	50 μ L	4°C
1xDiluent buffer	40mL	4°C
5X Assay wash buffer	40mL	4°C
Substrate A and B	1mLeach	4°C
Substrate dilution buffer	8mL	4°C

Reagent preparation before starting experiment

- Dilute the 5x Assay wash buffer to 1x buffer
 - 40 ml 5x Assay wash buffer
 - 160 ml ddH₂O
- Refer to Standards User Manual for diluting standards.
- Dilute 50 times of biotin labeled antibody mixture with 1X Diluent buffer.
- Dilute 200 times of streptavidin-HRP with 1X Diluent buffer.

Sample preparation before starting experiment

- For **cell culture medium samples**, add 100µl directly to the well.
- For **cell lysate samples**, use cell lysis buffer (Catalog# EA-0001). Follow protocol in Cell Lysate Buffer User Manual.
- For **serum or plasma samples**, we recommend a 1:10 dilution with 1X diluent buffer, for example, add 80ul sample in 720ul 1X diluent buffer. When serum-containing conditional media is required, be sure to use serum as control.

Recommendation

- The product intends to be used for comparison of 12 different samples. The differences of the growth factors among the samples can be easily identified and determined.
- If you would like to quantitatively measure the proteins in the samples, please order the corresponding standards, which can be used for making standard curves through a series of 2-fold dilutions.

Assay procedure

1. Take the desired number of well strips from the plate. Make sure the rest of strips are well sealed.
 2. Standard curve:
 - If protein standard curve is desired, 4-5 strips may be used to make Standard curve.
 3. Sample assay:
 - Apply each sample in one strip, 100ul per well and incubate for 1-2 hour at room temperature with gentle shaking.
 4. Aspirate each well and wash by adding 200µl of 1X Assay wash buffer. Repeat the process three times for a total of three washes. Completely remove liquid at each wash. After the last wash, remove any remaining liquid by inverting the plate against clean paper towels.
 5. Add 100µl of diluted biotin-labeled antibody mixture to each well and incubate for 1 hour at room temperature with gentle shaking.
 6. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 4.
 7. Add 100 µl of diluted streptavidin-HRP conjugate to each well and incubate for 45 min at room temperature with gentle shaking.
 8. Freshly prepare the substrate solution.
 - For whole plate:
 - 1 ml Substrate A
 - 1 ml Substrate B
 - 8 ml Substrate dilution buffer
 9. Invert the plate over an appropriate container and expel the contents forcibly, then firmly tap the plate against clean paper towels. Wash the plate by adding 200 ul of 1x Assay wash buffer. Incubate wash buffer for 10 minutes on a shaker. Repeat washing process two times for a total of three washes with 10 minutes incubation between each wash.
- Note: It is important to incubate wash buffer for 10 minutes during each wash to reduce background.**
10. Add 95 µl substrate solution to each well and incubate for 2 minutes.
 11. Place the plate in the luminometer. Set integration time to 1 second with no filter position and read **immediately**.

Human Growth Factor ELISA Strip II (Chemiluminescence) Diagram

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF	VEGF
B	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF	EGF
C	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB	PDGF-BB
D	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF	bNGF
E	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF	SCF
F	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α	TNF α
G	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb	FGFb
H	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β	TGF β