



Anti-dsDNA ELISA

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Introduction

Anti-dsDNA antibodies that appear to be critical in the pathogenesis of tissue injury are characteristic of systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE). There is a good correlation between anti-dsDNA antibody levels and disease activity. The overall detection rate of these antibodies is approximately 50-55% in SLE patients and about 89% in SLE patients with active renal disease. When they are present in high concentration, anti-dsDNA antibodies are virtually specific for SLE (>90%). Antibodies to dsDNA may disappear with immunosuppressive treatment and during remission. They rarely occur in other autoimmune disorders. Signosis has developed anti-dsDNA ELISA, a sandwich quantitative assay, to screen the presence of serum ds-DNA antibodies IgG.

Principle of the assay

Anti-dsDNA ELISA kit measures anti-dsDNA antibodies in the serum. It is based on the principle of a solid phase enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay. The assay utilizes dsDNA for immobilization on the microtiter wells and anti-human IgG antibodies conjugated to horseradish peroxidase (HRP) for detection. The test sample is allowed to react simultaneously with the two components, resulting in anti-dsDNA antibodies being sandwiched between the solid phase and enzyme-linked antibodies. After incubation, the wells are washed to remove unbound-labeled antibodies. A HRP substrate, TMB, is added to result in the development of a blue color. The color development is then stopped with the addition of Stop Solution changing the color to yellow. The concentration of anti-dsDNA is directly proportional to the color intensity of the test sample. Absorbance is measured spectrophotometrically at 450 nm.

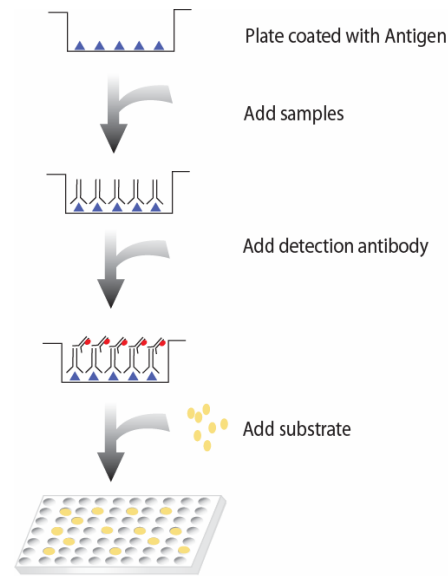


Diagram of ELISA

Materials provided with the kit

- 96-well plate coated with ds-DNA (4°C).
- Anti-human IgG conjugated to HRP (4°C).
- 40ml 1X Diluent buffer (4°C).
- 40ml 5X Assay wash buffer (4°C).
- 10ml Substrate (4°C).
- 6 ml Stop Solution (4°C)

Material required but not provided

- Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm
- Shaker

Reagent preparation before starting experiment

- Dilute the 5x Assay wash buffer to 1x buffer
40ml 5x Assay wash buffer
160ml ddH₂O
- Dilute 500 times of anti-human IgG antibody conjugated to HRP with 1X Diluent buffer.

Storage and Preparation

Store all reagents at 2-8°C.

All reagents must be brought to room temperature (20-25°C) prior to use.

When stored at 2-8°C, the diluted Assay wash buffer is stable until the kit expiration date.

Precautions

Human blood derivatives and patient specimens should be considered potentially infectious. All human derived components need to be tested for the negative HBsAg, HCV, HIV-1 and 2 and HTLV-I. Follow good laboratory practices in storing, dispensing and disposing of these materials.

Assay procedure

1. Cut the sealing film over the plate and remove it from the desired number of well strips. Make sure the rest of wells are well sealed.
2. Add 100 µl of diluted samples (1:100 diluted or further 2 serial diluted serum) per well and incubate for 1 hour at room temperature with gentle shaking.
3. Aspirate each well and wash by adding 200µl of 1X Assay wash buffer. Repeat the process twice for a total of three washes. Completely remove liquid at each wash by firmly tapping the plate against clean paper towels.
4. Add 100µl of diluted anti-human IgG conjugated to HRP to each well and incubate for 0.5 hours at room temperature with gentle shaking.
5. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 3.
6. Add 100µl of Substrate to each well and incubate for 5-30 minutes.
7. Add 50µl of Stop solution to each well. The color in the wells should change from blue to yellow.
8. Determine the optical density of each well with a microplate reader at 450 nm within 30 minutes.

Example

