

Human TDP-43/TARDBP ELISA Kit Sandwich ELISA Catalog EL-213-2041643

INTRODUCTION

TDP-43, the protein product of TARDBP, is a nuclear RNA- and DNA-binding protein whose two RNA-recognition motifs preferentially engage GU-rich stretches located inside lengthy introns and near the 3' end of messenger RNAs. Through this binding it shapes alternative splicing of numerous transcripts, influences mRNA stability and transport, and even contributes to processing of mitochondrial RNAs and to circadian rhythm regulation. Under cellular stress, TDP-43 relocates to cytoplasmic stress granules, a response thought to support short-term cell survival, though sustained mislocalization and aggregation of the protein outside the nucleus is a defining pathological feature of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and frontotemporal lobar degeneration. The name TAR DNA-binding protein reflects its originally described capacity to bind a regulatory DNA/RNA element and repress transcription, a function distinct from its now better-characterized roles in RNA metabolism and neurodegenerative disease.

PRINCIPLE OF THE ASSAY

This kit uses a sandwich enzyme immunoassay format in which the microtiter plate wells are pre-coated with a capture antibody specific to human TDP-43. Standards or samples are pipetted into the appropriate wells alongside a biotin-conjugated detection antibody that also recognizes human TDP-43, allowing simultaneous binding to a second epitope on the captured analyte. Avidin-conjugated horseradish peroxidase (HRP) is then added to each well, where it binds the biotin label. Following incubation, TMB substrate solution is introduced; only wells containing human TDP-43, the biotin-conjugated detection antibody, and avidin-HRP will produce a color change. The enzymatic reaction is stopped by the addition of a sulphuric acid solution, and absorbance is measured spectrophotometrically at 450 nm (± 10 nm). TDP-43 concentrations in the samples are determined by comparing sample optical density values against a standard curve.

MATERIALS AND STORAGE

Store kit components at -20°C unless specified otherwise. DO NOT USE past kit expiration date. Some vials contain a small amount of reagents. Spin tubes on pulse setting prior to opening.

Each kit includes:	Units
Pre-Coated Microplate	12 strips x 8 wells
Standard (Lyophilized)	2 vials
Biotinylated Antibody (100 $\times$)	120 μL
Streptavidin-HRP (100 $\times$)	120 μL
Standard/Sample Diluent Buffer	20 mL
Biotinylated Antibody Diluent	12 mL
HRP Diluent	12 mL
Wash Buffer (25 $\times$)	20 mL
TMB Substrate Solution	10 mL
Stop Reagent	6 mL
Plate Covers	2 pieces

Do not mix or substitute reagents with those from other lots.

MATERIALS AND INSTRUMENTS REQUIRED BUT NOT SUPPLIED

- Precision pipettes calibrated to deliver 5-1000 μL
- Multi-channel pipette calibrated to deliver 50-200 μL
- Plate shaker
- Disposable tips
- Vortex-Mixer
- Distilled or de-ionized water
- Microplate reader capable of reading 450nm with background subtraction at 620nm

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- The test protocol must be followed strictly.
- All reagents containing human material should be handled as if potentially infectious. Operators

should wear gloves and protective clothing when handling any patient sera or serum based products.

- The kit reagents contain antimicrobial agents, acid and 3,3',5,5'-tetramethylbenzidine. Avoid contact with the skin and eyes. Rinse immediately with plenty of water if any contact occurs.
- Any liquid that has been brought into contact with potentially infectious material has to be discarded in a container with a disinfectant. Disposal must be performed in accordance with local regulations.
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- Only trained laboratory personnel should execute this test.

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PREPARATION OF REAGENTS

Prepare only the appropriate amount of required reagent on the day of use. Store all reagents as per instructions stated on the label.

- 1. Wash Buffer (1X) Preparation: Dilute the 25X wash buffer concentrate 1:25 with double-distilled Water.**
- 2. Detection Reagent (1X) Preparation: Dilute the biotinylated antibody and streptavidin-HRP concentrates 100-fold with Biotinylated Antibody Diluent and HRP Diluent, respectively, immediately before use.**
- 3. Preparation of Calibrators: Prepare calibrators by serial dilution from a 4000 down to 62.5 (plus a 0 blank), per the source manual.**

Sol'n ID	Source	Source Vol (μL)	Cal. Diluent (μL)	Final Vol (μL)	Final Conc. (ng/mL)
Std 1	Stock Standard	500	500	1000	4000
Std 2	Std 1	500	500	1000	2000
Std 3	Std 2	500	500	1000	1000
Std 4	Std 3	500	500	1000	500
Std 5	Std 4	500	500	1000	250
Std 6	Std 5	500	500	1000	125
Std 7	Std 6	500	500	1000	62.5
Blank	Std 7	500	500	1000	0

SPECIMEN STORAGE

This kit is compatible with EDTA-plasma, heparin-plasma and serum samples. Samples can be stored at or below -20°C for up to 1 year.

ASSAY PROCEDURE

1. After the kit is equilibrated at room temperature, add 100 μL of Standard Working Buffer (gradually diluted according to the instructions) or 100 μL of sample to each well, and incubate at 37°C for 80 minutes.
2. Discard the liquid in the plate, add 200 μL 1× Wash Buffer to each well, and wash the plate 3 times. After pat it dry against clean absorbent paper, add 100 μL Biotinylated Antibody Working Solution (1×) to each well, incubate at 37°C for 50 minutes.
3. Discard the liquid in the plate, add 200 μL 1× Wash Buffer to each well, and wash the plate 3 times. After pat it dry against clean absorbent paper, add 100 μL 1× Streptavidin-HRP Working Solution to each well, incubate at 37°C for 50 minutes.
4. Discard the liquid in the plate, add 200 μL 1× Wash Buffer to each well, and wash the plate 5 times. After pat it dry against clean absorbent paper, add 90 μL TMB Substrate Solution to each well, incubate at 37°C for 20 minutes in the dark.
5. Add 50 μL Stop Solution to each well, shake plate on a plate shaker for 1 minute to mix. Record the OD at 450 nm immediately, calculation of the results.

CALCULATIONS AND RESULTS

1. Construct a standard curve by plotting the absorbance obtained from each standard against concentration. Use a 4 or 5 parameter curve fit. Alternatively a log-log curve fit may be used.
2. The concentration of the unknowns can be read directly from this standard curve using the absorbance value for each

sample.

3. Any sample undiluted or diluted still reading greater than the highest standard should be diluted appropriately and retested. If the samples have been diluted, the concentration determined from the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Precision: Intra-assay CV < 8%. Inter-assay CV < 10%.

Detection Limit: 24.9 pg/mL

Recovery: Serum (n = 5): 81-95% (avg 88%); EDTA plasma (n = 5): 90-105% (avg 97%); Heparin plasma (n = 5): 85-97% (avg 91%)

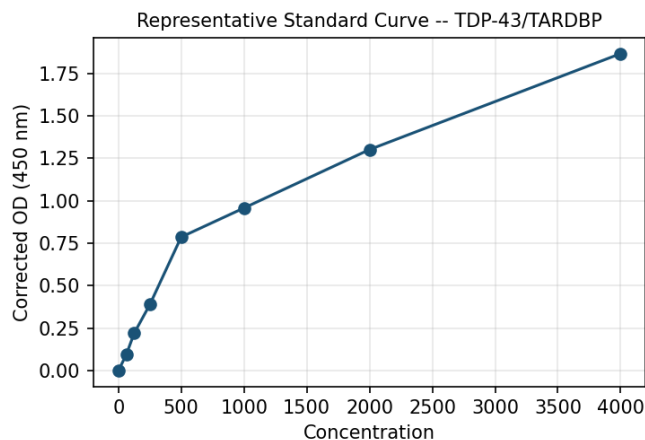
Specificity: This assay has high sensitivity and excellent specificity for detection of Human TDP43. No significant cross-reactivity or interference between Human TDP43 and analogues was observed.



This kit employs a sandwich enzyme immunoassay technique to quantify TDP-43/TARDBP in biological samples.

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SAMPLE STANDARD CURVE



Representative standard curve shown for illustration only. This curve should not be used to calculate unknown sample concentrations -- run a new standard curve with each assay.

ORDERING INFORMATION

Please visit www.affinityimmuno.com to order this product. Visa, Mastercard, AMEX and PayPal are accepted in our online store.

Your order will be processed immediately and you will be notified with a delivery timeframe.