Mouse IL-23 ELISA Ready-SET-Go!

Catalog Number: 88-7234
Also Known As: Interleukin-23, IL23, p40, p19
RUO: For Research Use Only

Product Information

Contents: Mouse IL-23 ELISA Ready-SET-Go!
Sensitivity: 30 pg/ml
Standard Curve Range: 30 pg/ml - 4000 pg/ml

Temperature Limitation: Store at 2-8°C except standard which should be stored at less than or equal to -70°C.

Batch Code: Refer to Vial
Use By: Refer to Vial
Caution, contains Azide

Description

This Mouse IL-23 Ready-SET-Go! ELISA Set (with high affinity binding ELISA plates) contains the necessary reagents, buffers and diluents for performing quantitative, enzyme-linked immunosorbent assays (ELISA). This ELISA reagent set is specifically engineered for accurate and precise measurement of mouse IL-23 protein levels from samples including serum, plasma, and supernatants from cell cultures. The assay demonstrates parallelism in measuring recombinant and native mouse IL-23 proteins with a standard curve range of 30 pg/ml to 4,000 pg/ml and assay sensitivity below 30 pg/ml. Native mouse IL-23 was detected in supernatants from bone marrow-derived, LPS-activated dendritic cells. The use of a p19-specific capture antibody and a p40-specific detection antibody renders this assay exquisitely specific for mouse IL-23.

IL-12 p40 homodimer and IL-12 p70 were each run in the assay at 500 ng/ml with no interference or cross-reactivity observed. A panel of 20 unrelated cytokines was run in the IL-23 ELISA at 100 ng/ml with no cross reactivity observed; all values were at the limit of detection of the assay.

For measurement of total p40 protein levels, the Mouse IL-12/23 Total p40 ELISA Ready-SET-Go! is available (88-7120).

Components

Capture Antibody. Pre-titrated, purified antibody
Detection Antibody. Pre-titrated, biotin-conjugated antibody
Standard. Recombinant cytokine for generating standard curve and calibrating samples

ELISA/ELISPOT Coating Buffer Powder. This Ready-Set-Go! ELISA Set may contain ELISA/ELISPOT Coating Buffer Powder (Reconstitute to 1L with dH2O and filter (0.22 uM)) or 10X PBS ELISA Coating Buffer (Dilute 1 part 10X Buffer into 9 parts dH2O).
Assay Diluent. 5X concentrated
Detection enzyme. Pre-titrated Avidin-HRP
Substrate Solution. Tetramethylbenzidine (TMB) Substrate Solution
Certificate of Analysis. Lot-specific instructions for dilution of antibodies and standards
96 Well Plates. Corning Costar 9018

Special Notes

To ensure optimal results from this ELISA Ready-SET-Go! Kit, please only use the components included in the set. Exchanging of components is not recommended as a change in signal may occur.

References


Related Products
14-8231 Mouse IL-23 Recombinant Protein
16-7123 Anti-Mouse IL-12/IL-23 p40 Functional Grade Purified (C17.8)
16-7232 Anti-Mouse IL-23 p19 Functional Grade Purified (G23-8)
34-8231 Mouse IL-23 Recombinant Protein Carrier-Free
88-7120 Mouse IL-12/IL-23 total p40 ELISA Ready-SET-Go!* 
88-7231 Mouse IL-23 (Interleukin-23, IL23) ELISA Ready-SET-Go! Kit (with Pre-Coated Plates)
88-7921 Mouse IL-12 (Interleukin-12, IL12) p70 ELISA Ready-SET-Go! Kit (See replacement item BMS6004)

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Other Materials Needed

Buffers
- Wash Buffer: 1 x PBS, 0.05% Tween-20 (or eBioscience ELISA Wash Buffer Powder, cat 00-0400)
- Stop Solution: 1M H$_3$PO$_4$ or 2N H$_2$SO$_4$

Pipettes and pipettors

Refrigerator

96-well plate (Corning Costar 9018 or NUNC Maxisorp flat-bottom)

NOTE: The use of ELISA plates which are not high affinity protein binding plates will result in suboptimal performance, e.g., low signal or inconsistent data. Do not use tissue culture plates or low protein absorption plates. Use only the Corning Costar 9018 or NUNC Maxisorp 96 well plates provided or suggested.

96-well ELISA plate reader (microplate spectrophotometer)

ELISA plate washer

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Stability

This ELISA set is guaranteed to perform as specified at least 6 months from date of receipt if stored and handled as instructed according to this datasheet and the Certificate of Analysis, which is included with the reagents.

Storage Instructions for Cytokine Standards

The frozen cytokine standard is already aliquoted at 20 µl per vial. Upon receipt, frozen cytokine standard should be immediately stored at -80°C; stable for at least 6 months. After thawing, quick-spin vial prior to opening. Do not re-aliquot into smaller fractions. These are single use vials. Use one time and discard. For dilution of the standard, please see instructions on the Certificate of Analysis and follow these as written.

Storage Instructions for Other Set Reagents

Store at 4°C.

Time Requirements

- 1 overnight incubation
- 4½-hour incubations
- 1 hour washing and analyzing samples
Experimental Procedure

1. Coat Corning Costar 9018 or NUNC Maxisorp 96 well ELISA plate with 100 µl/well of capture antibody in Coating Buffer (dilute as noted on Certificate of Analysis, which is included with the reagent set). Seal the plate and incubate overnight at 4°C.

2. Aspirate wells and wash 5 times with >250 µl/well Wash Buffer*. Allowing time for soaking (~1 minute) during each wash step increases the effectiveness of the washes. Blot plate on absorbent paper to remove any residual buffer.

3. Dilute 1 part 5X concentrated Assay Diluent with 4 parts DI water.* Block wells with 200 µl/well of 1X Assay Diluent. Incubate at room temperature for 1 hour. Aspirate/wash as in step 2.

4. Using Assay Diluent*, dilute standards as noted on the Certificate of Analysis (C of A). Add 100 µl/well of standard to the appropriate wells. Perform 2-fold serial dilutions of the top standards to make the standard curve. Add 100 µl/well of your samples to the appropriate wells. Cover or seal the plate and incubate at room temperature for 2 hours (or overnight at 4°C for maximal sensitivity).

5. Aspirate/wash as in step 2. Repeat for a total of 7 washes.

6. Add 100 µl/well of detection antibody diluted in 1X Assay Diluent* (dilute as noted on C of A). Seal the plate and incubate at room temperature for 1 hour.

7. Aspirate/wash as in step 2. Repeat for a total of 7 washes.

8. Add 100 µl/well of Avidin-HRP* diluted in 1X Assay Diluent (dilute as noted on C of A). Seal the plate and incubate at room temperature for 30 minutes.

9. Aspirate and wash as in step 2. In this wash step, soak wells in Wash Buffer* for 1 to 2 minutes prior to aspiration. Repeat for a total of 7 washes.

10. Add 100 µl/well of Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate plate at room temperature for 15 minutes.

11. Add 50 µl of Stop Solution to each well.

12. Read plate at 450 nm. If wavelength subtraction is available, subtract the values of 570 nm from those of 450 nm and analyze data.

*NOTE: Be certain that no sodium azide is present in the solutions used in this assay, as it inhibits HRP enzyme activity.

Ready-SET-Go Cytokine ELISA Set Buffers:

- Assay Diluent (5X concentrate): Dilute 1/5 in DI water.
- Substrate Solution: Ready to use (1X); 100 µl per well.
- ELISA/ELISPOT Coating Buffer Powder: Reconstitute in 1L dH2O; filter (0.22 µM).
The standard of the Ready-SET-Go! is calibrated against NIBSC standards:

### Table of Standard Calibration

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* Mouse IFN-g is calibrated using NIH standard (Lot Gg02-901-533) and is measured in Units (U)

### ELISA Troubleshooting Guide

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<td>3. Enzyme inhibitor present in buffers; e.g., sodium azide in the washing buffer and Assay Diluent inhibits peroxidase activity</td>
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## TDS Protocol
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<td>3. Plates not clean</td>
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