BRAIN-DERIVED NEUROTROPHIC FACTOR (BDNF) (HUMAN, MOUSE, RAT) ELISA KIT

FOR THE QUANTITATIVE DETERMINATION OF HUMAN, MOUSE AND RAT BDNF CONCENTRATIONS IN CELL CULTURE SUPERNATES AND SERUM

THIS PROTOCOL OR DATA IS PROVIDED FOR DEMONSTRATION ONLY.
ALWAYS REFER TO LOT SPECIFIC PROTCOL PROVIDED WITH EACH KIT FOR INSTRUCTIONS. PROTOCOL MUST BE READ BEFORE USING THIS PRODUCT.

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PRODUCT INFORMATION:
THIS KIT IS FOR ONE TIME USE ONLY.

ELISA NAME	**BDNF (HUMAN, MOUSE, RAT) ELISA KIT**
Catalog No.	SK00752-01
Lot No.	
Formulation	96 T
Standard range	23 - 1500 pg/mL
Sensitivity	5 - 8 pg/mL
Sample Volume	100 µL
Sample Type	Serum, Cell Culture Supernates
Dilution Factor	40 (***Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application)***
Specificity	BDNF mature form at 100%, Active human Pro-BDNF derived from human cells at less than 1%
Calibration	BDNF mature form recombinant
Intra-assay Precision	4 - 6%
Inter-assay Precision	8 - 10%
Storage	Check page 2
This kit contains sufficient materials to run approximately 35 samples duplicated provided that assay is run according to protocol.	

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DESCRIPTION

This BDNF (Human, Mouse, Rat) ELISA Kit contains the necessary components required for the quantitative measurement of recombinant and/or natural BDNF from serum samples as well as cell culture supernates in a sandwich ELISA format.

This immunoassay contains recombinant BDNF and antibodies raised against this protein. Results from this immunoassay have shown to accurately quantify recombinant and natural active BDNF samples.

ASSAY OVERVIEW

This assay employs the quantitative sandwich enzyme immunoassay technique. The plate is pre-coated with an antibody specific for BDNF. The capture antibody can bind to the BDNF in the standard and samples. After washing the plate of any unbound substances, a biotinylated antibody against BDNF is added to the wells. After another washing of the plate, Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate is added. After the last wash to remove any unbound enzyme, a substrate solution is added to the wells and color develops in direct proportion to the amount of BDNF bound in the standard solutions or samples. A standard curve can be established and sample values can be read off the standard curve.

PROCEDURAL LIMITATIONS

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_This ELISA kit should not be used beyond the expiration date on the kit label.
_Do not mix reagents with those from other lots or sources.
_It is important that the Dilution Buffer selected for the standard curve be consistent with the samples being assayed.
_Any modifications in buffers, pipetting technique, washing technique, incubation time or temperature, as well as kit age can cause a change in signal.
_Not all interfering factors have been tested in the immunoassay, therefore the possibility of interference cannot be excluded.

COMPONENTS PROVIDED

DESCRIPTION	CODE	QUANTITY
BDNF Microplate - 96 well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with an antibody against BDNF.	**752-01-01**	**1 plate**
BDNF Standard – refer to lot of recombinant BDNF in a buffered protein base with preservative; lyophilized.	**752-01-02**	**1 vial**
Detection Antibody Concentrate – refer to lot of biotinylated antibody against BDNF with preservative; lyophilized.	**752-01-03**	**1 vial**
Positive Control- one vial of recombinant BDNF; lyophilized.	**752-01-04**	**1 vial**
Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate – refer to lot concentrated solution of Streptavidin conjugate to HRP.	**SAHRP**	**1 vial**
Dilution Buffer – 45 mL of buffered protein based solution with preservative.	**DB01**	**1 bottle**
HRP Diluent Solution – 12 mL of buffered protein based solution with preservative.	**DB08C**	**1 bottle**
Wash Buffer - 50 mL of 10-fold concentrated buffered surfactant, with preservative.	**WB01**	**1 bottle**
TMB Substrate Solution - 11 mL of TMB substrate solution.	**TMB01**	**1 bottle**
Stop Solution - 11 mL of 0.5M HCl solution.	**S-STOP**	**1 bottle**
Plate Sealer	**EAPS**	**1 piece**
Plastic Pouch	**P01**	**1 piece**

STORAGE

Unopened Kit: Store at 2 – 8° C for up to 1 month. For longer storage up to 12 months, unopened Standard, Positive Control and Detection Antibody Concentrate, Dilution Buffer (DB01) and HRP Diluent Solution (DB08) stored at -20 ~ - 70°C. **Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate concentrated and TMB Substrate Solution** should be stored only at 2 ~ 8 °C. Do not use kit past expiration date.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS REQUIRED

- Microplate reader capable of absorbance measurement at 450 nm.
- Microplate shaker (250 – 300 rpm).
- Microplate washer or manifold dispenser.
- 100 mL and 500 mL graduated cylinders.
- Multi-channel Pipette, Pipettes and pipette tips.
- Deionized or distilled water.

PRECAUTION

This kit should be handled by those persons who have been trained in and can follow the principles of good laboratory practice. Wear protective clothing such as laboratory overalls, safety glasses and gloves. Care should be taken while handling solutions in this kit to avoid contact with skin or eyes, especially with the stop solution because it contains diluted hydrochloric acid. Wash immediately with water in case of contact on skin or eyes.

SAMPLE COLLECTION AND STORAGE

Cell Culture Supernates - Remove particulates by centrifugation and assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at ≤ -20° C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. Please use animal free media for cell cultures samples assay.
Serum - Use a serum separator tube (SST) and allow samples to clot for 30 minutes before centrifugation for 15 minutes at 1000 x g. Remove serum and assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at ≤ -20° C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Plasma samples may not be suitable for BDNF assay because preparation of plasma samples may affect the release of BDNF from platelets, which have high concentration of BDNF.

Optional: Use Aprotinin (enzyme inhibitor) (Aviscera Order Code: 00700-01-25, 25 TIU for 50 ml sample solution) for ALL sample collection to prevent sample degradation. 0.5 TIU per ml of sample solution.

SAMPLE PREPARATION

Serum samples may require at least a 40~80 fold dilution. A suggested 40-fold dilution is 10 µl sample + 390 µl Dilution Buffer. A suggested 80-fold dilution is 125 µl 40-fold diluted sample solution + 125 µl Dilution Buffer.

Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application with a sample pretest.
Use polypropylene test tubes.

REAGENT PREPARATION

Bring all reagents to room temperature before use.
Wash Buffer - If crystals have formed in the concentrate, warm to room temperature and mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved. Dilute 50 mL of Wash Buffer Concentrate into deionized or distilled water (450 mL) to prepare 500 mL of 1x Wash Buffer.

BDNF Standard - Reconstitute the BDNF standard with refer to lot of Dilution Buffer.
Pipette 250 µL of Dilution Buffer into the tube #2 to #7. Use the stock solution to produce a dilution series (below). Mix each tube thoroughly before the next transfer. The **1500 pg/mL** standard serves as the high standard. The Dilution Buffer serves as the zero standard (0 pg/mL).

TUBE	STANDARD	DILUTION BUFFER	CONCENTRATION
stock	powder	Refer to lot	XXXX
# 1	Refer to lot	Refer to lot	1500 pg/ml
# 2	250 µl of 1	250 µl	750 pg/ml
# 3	250µl of 2	250µl	375 pg/ml
# 4	250µl of 3	250µl	187.5 pg/ml
# 5	250µl of 4	250µl	93.75 pg/ml
# 6	250µl of 5	250µl	46.875 pg/ml
# 7	250µl of 5	250µl	23.438 pg/ml

Positive Control - Reconstitute the Positive Control with refer to lot of Dilution Buffer.

Detection Antibody - Reconstitute the Detection Antibody Concentrate with refer to lot of Dilution Buffer to produce a 10-fold concentrated stock solution. Pipette 9.45 of Dilution Buffer into a 15 ml centrifuge tube and transfer refer 1.05 of 10-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution.

Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate - Pipette refer to lot specific of **HRP Diluent solution (DB08)** into a 15 mL centrifuge tube and transfer refer to lot specific

concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution (**protect from light**).

ELISA PROTOCOL

Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature before the start of the assay. Blank, standard dilutions, positive control and samples should be assayed in duplicate. ELISA Protocol may need further optimization.

1. Prepare all reagents and working standards as directed in the previous sections.
2. Add 100 µL per well of Dilution Buffer to Blank wells.
3. Add 100 µL of standard dilutions in reverse order of serial dilution, samples, or positive control per well. Cover with plate sealer. Incubate for 2 hours on microplate shaker at room temperature.
4. Aspirate each well and wash, repeating the process three times for a total of four washes. Wash by filling each well with 1x Wash Buffer (300 µL) using a squirt bottle, manifold dispenser, or autowasher. Complete removal of liquid at each step is essential to good performance. After the last wash, remove any remaining Wash Buffer by aspirating or decanting. Invert the plate and blot it against clean paper towels.
5. Add 100 µL of Detection Antibody working solution to each well. Cover with plate sealer. Incubate for 2 hours on microplate shaker at room temperature.
6. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 4.
7. Add 100 µL of Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate working solution to each well. Incubate for 60 minutes on microplate shaker at room temperature. **Protect from light.**
8. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 4.
9. Add 100 µL of Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate for refer to lot on microplate shaker at room temperature. **Protect from light.**
10. Add 100 µL of Stop Solution to each well. The color in the wells should change from blue to yellow. If the color in the wells is green, or if the color change does not appear uniform, gently tap the plate to ensure thorough mixing.
11. Determine the optical density of each well using a microplate reader set to 450 nm within 5 minutes.

CALCULATION OF RESULTS

Create a standard curve by plotting the log of the known concentrations of the standard dilutions (x-axis) versus the log of its corresponding O.D. (y-axis) and draw the best fit line through the points. It is recommended to use computer software capable of generating a log-log or 4-Parameter curve fit to more accurately quantify the standard dilutions.

If samples have been diluted, the concentration read from the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor.

SPECIFICITY

PROTEINS	CROSS-REACTIVITY (%)
Human BDNF (mature)	100
Human Pro BDNF (HEK293 derived)	< 1
Human Pro-BDNF (19-128) (E. Coli derived)	0
Human Pro-BDNF (19-247) (E. Coli derived)	0
Human CNTF	0
Human CTGF	0
Human GRN	0
Human CHGA (19-131)	0
Human NT-3	0

Human Pro-BDNF (glycosylated) derived from HEK293 or CHO cells were indicated to have less than 1% cross-reactivity with this ELISA kit SK00752-01.

TYPICAL STANDARD CURVE

This standard curve is provided for demonstration only. A new standard curve should be generated for each set of samples assayed.

STANDARD (PG/ML)	AVERAGE OD450 (CORRECTED)
Blank	0 (refer to lot)
11.719 (optional)	0.044
23.438	0.093
46.875	0.178
93.75	0.349
187.5	0.724
375	1.396
750	2.724
1500	3.375

SUMMARY OF ASSAY PROCEDURE

PREPARE REAGENTS, SAMPLES AND STANDARDS

Add 100 µl of standard dilutions, samples, or positive control to the well. Incubate 2 hours on the plate shaker at RT.

Aspirate and wash 4 times.

Add 100 µl Detection Antibody working solution to each well. Incubate 2 hours on the plate shaker at RT.

Aspirate and wash 4 times.

Add 100 µl Streptavidin-HRP conjugate working solution to each well. Incubate 60 min on the plate shaker at RT. **Protect from light**.

Aspirate and wash 4 times.

Add 100 µl Substrate solution to each well. Incubate refer to lot specific on the plate shaker at RT. **Protect from light**.

Add 100 µl Stop Solution to each well. Read at 450 nm.