



**User's Manual**

# Human/Mouse/Rat Pro-BDNF ELISA Kit



**DEIA-XY2235**



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This product is for research use only and is not intended for diagnostic use.

For illustrative purposes only. To perform the assay the instructions for use provided with the kit have to be used.

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## PRODUCT INFORMATION

### Intended Use

For the quantitative determination of human pro-BDNF(19-24) concentrations in serum.

### General Description

This Human Pro-BDNF ELISA Kit contains the necessary components required for the quantitative measurement of recombinant human Pro BDNF (19-247) (human cells derived) and/or natural human Pro-BDNF (19-247) from serum samples in a sandwich ELISA format.

This immunoassay contains human Pro-BDNF (19-247) recombinant and antibodies raised against this protein. Results from this immunoassay have shown to accurately quantify bioactive recombinant and natural Pro-BDNF (19-247) in the samples. The mature form BDNF or Pro BDNF (19-128) in the samples cannot be detected by this elisa kit.

### Principles of Testing

This assay employs the quantitative sandwich ELISA format. The plate is pre-coated with a monoclonal antibody specific for human bioactive Pro-BDNF (19-247). The capture antibody can bind to the human bioactive Pro-BDNF in the standard and samples.

After washing the plate of any unbound substances, a biotinylated antibody against human Pro-BDNF (19-247) 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 (TMB) is added to the wells and color develops in direct proportion to the amount of human Pro-BDNF (19-247) bound in the standard solutions or samples. A standard curve can be established and sample values can be read off the standard curve.

### Reagents And Materials Provided

1. **Pro-BDNF Microplate** - 96 well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with antibody against Pro-BDNF. 1 plate
2. **Pro-BDNF Standard** - 100 ng/vial of recombinant human Pro-BDNF in a buffered protein base with preservative; lyophilized. 1 vial
3. **Detection Antibody Concentrate** - 1.2 mL/vial, 10-fold concentrate of biotinylated antibody against Pro-BDNF with preservative; lyophilized. 1 vial
4. **Positive Control** - one vial of recombinant human Pro-BDNF; lyophilized. 1 vial
5. **Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate** - 120 uL/vial, 100-fold concentrated solution of Streptavidin conjugate to HRP. 1 vial
6. **Dilution Buffer** - 60 mL of buffered protein based solution with preservative. 1 vial
7. **Wash Buffer** - 50 mL of 10-fold concentrated buffered surfactant, with preservative. 1 vial
8. **TMB Substrate Solution** - 11 mL of TMB substrate solution. 1 vial
9. **Stop Solution** - 11 mL of 0.5M HCl solution. 1 bottle
10. **Plate Sealer**: 1

## 11. Plastic Pouch: 1

### Materials Required But Not Supplied

- \_ 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.

### Storage

**Unopened Kit:** Store at 2 - 8°C for up to 6 months. For longer storage, unopened Standard, Positive Control and Detection Antibody Concentrate should be stored at -20°C or -70°C. Do not use kit past expiration date.

**Opened / Reconstituted Reagents:** Reconstituted Standard (stock) and Detection Antibody concentrated solution SHOULD BE STORED at -20°C or -70°C for up to one month. Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate 100-fold concentrated solution (protect from light) and other components may be stored at 2 - 8°C for up to 6 months. Do not freeze TMB substrate solution or Streptavidin-HRP.

**Microplate Wells:** Return unused wells to the plastic pouch (P01) with desiccant pack. Microplate may be stored at 2 - 8°C for up to 6 months.

### Specimen Collection And Preparation

#### SAMPLE COLLECTION AND STORAGE

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  $\leq -20^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Optional: Use Aprotinin (enzyme inhibitor) for ALL sample collection to prevent sample degradation. 0.5 TIU per ml of sample solution.

#### SAMPLE PREPARATION

Serum samples DO NOT require dilution. Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application with a pretest. Use polypropylene test tubes.

### Reagent Preparation

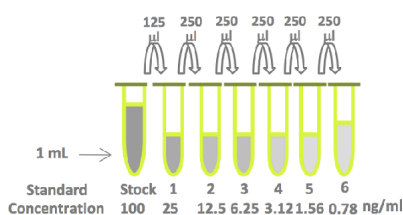
Bring all reagents to room temperature before use.

**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.

Pro-BDNF Standard - Reconstitute the Pro-BDNF standard with 1.0 mL of Dilution Buffer. This reconstitution

produces a stock solution of 100 ng/mL. Allow the standard to sit for a minimum of 15 minutes with gentle agitation prior to making dilutions. Pipette 250  $\mu$ L of the appropriate Dilution Buffer into tubes #1 to #6. Use the stock solution to produce a dilution series (below). Mix each tube thoroughly before the next transfer. The 25 ng/mL standard serves as the high standard. The Dilution Buffer serves as the zero standard (0 ng/mL).

TUBE	STANDARD	DILUTION BUFFER	CONCENTRATION
stock	powder	1 mL	100 ng/ml
# 1	125 $\mu$ L of stock	375 $\mu$ L	25 ng/ml
# 2	250 $\mu$ L of 1	250 $\mu$ L	12.5 ng/ml
# 3	250 $\mu$ L of 2	250 $\mu$ L	6.25 ng/ml
# 4	250 $\mu$ L of 3	250 $\mu$ L	3.12 ng/ml
# 5	250 $\mu$ L of 4	250 $\mu$ L	1.56 ng/ml
# 6	250 $\mu$ L of 5	250 $\mu$ L	0.78 ng/ml



**Positive Control** - Reconstitute the Positive Control with 1 mL of Dilution Buffer.

**Detection Antibody** - Reconstitute the Detection Antibody Concentrate with 1.2 mL of Dilution Buffer to produce a 10-fold concentrated stock solution. Pipette 10.8 mL of Dilution Buffer into a 15 mL centrifuge tube and transfer 1.2 mL of 10-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution.

**Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate** - Pipette 11.88 mL of HRP Dilute Solution into a 15 mL centrifuge tube and transfer 120  $\mu$ L of 100-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution. Note: 1x working solution of Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate should be used within a few days (protect from light).

## Assay Procedure

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. Remove excess microplate strips from the plate frame, return them to the plastic pouch (P01) with the desiccant pack.
3. Add 100  $\mu$ L per well of Dilution Buffer to Blank wells.
4. Add 100  $\mu$ L of standard dilutions, positive control, or samples per well. Cover with the plate sealer. Incubate for 2 hours on microplate shaker at room temperature.
5. 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  $\mu$ L) 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.
6. Add 100  $\mu$ L of Detection Antibody working solution to each well. Cover with the plate sealer. Incubate for 120 minutes on microplate shaker at room temperature.
7. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.
8. Add 100  $\mu$ L of Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate working solution to each well. Incubate for 40 minutes on microplate shaker at room temperature. Protect from light.
9. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.
10. Add 100  $\mu$ L of Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate for 17-19 minutes on microplate shaker at room temperature. Protect from light.
11. Add 100  $\mu$ L 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.

12. Determine the optical density of each well within 15 minutes, using a microplate reader set to 450nm.

## Calculation

Create a standard curve by plotting the log of the known concentrations of the standard dilutions (xaxis) 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 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.

## Typical Standard Curve

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

<b>STANDARD (NG/ML)</b>	<b>AVERAGE OD450 (CORRECTED)</b>
Blank	0 (0.117)
0.781	0.032
1.563	0.062
3.125	0.114
6.25	0.315
12.5	0.688
25	1.216
50 (optional)	2.168

## Precision

Intra-assay Precision: 4-6%;

Inter-assay Precision: 8-10%

## Detection Range

1.56 - 100 ng/ml

## Sensitivity

0.5 ng/ml

## Specificity

PROTEINS CROSS-REACTIVITY

Human Pro-BDNF

(HEK293 derived) 100%

Human BDNF 0

Human CNTF 0

Human CTGF 0

Human GRN 0

Human CHGA (19-131) 0

Human NT-3 0

The data indicated that human Pro- BDNF (19-247) (E. Coli derived) and Human ProBDNF (19-128) (E. Coli derived ) do not have any crossreactivity with this Human Pro BDNF ELISA Kit.

## Limitations

\_FOR RESEARCH USE ONLY. NOT FOR USE IN DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES.

\_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.

\_Each laboratory must determine the optimal dilution factors for the samples being assayed with a pretest. If samples generate values that are not within the dynamic range of the standard curve, further concentrate or dilute the samples as required with Dilution Buffer and repeat the assay.

\_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.