

## HUMAN REGENERATING ISLET-DERIVED TYPE 4 (REG4) ELISA KIT

FOR THE QUANTITATIVE DETERMINATION  
OF HUMAN REG4 CONCENTRATIONS IN  
CELL CULTURE SUPERNATES, EDTA PLASMA  
AND SERUM.



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DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES.

### PURCHASE INFORMATION:

ELISA NAME	HUMAN REG4 ELISA KIT
Catalog No.	SK00636-01
Lot No.	
Formulation	96 T
Standard range	3.125-200 Pg/ml
Sensitivity	2 pg/mL
Sample Volume	100 µl
Sample Type	EDTA Plasma, Serum, Cell Culture Supernates
Dilution Factor	<i>Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application</i>
Specificity	Human REG4 only
Intra-assay Precision	4-6%
Inter-assay Precision	8-12%
Storage	2 °C-8 °C

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## INTRODUCTION

Human Regenerating islet-derived 4 (REG4) immunoassay is a 3.5 - 4.5 hour solid phase ELISA designed to measure human REG4 in cell culture supernates, serum, and plasma. It contains natural human REG4 and antibodies raised against this protein. It has been shown to accurately quantitate natural human REG4. Results obtained with naturally occurring REG4 samples showed linear curves that were parallel to the standard curves obtained using the kit standards. These results indicate that the Immunoassay kit can be used to determine relative mass values for natural human REG4.

## PRINCIPLE OF THE ASSAY

This assay employs the quantitative sandwich enzyme immunoassay technique. A monoclonal antibody specific for REG4 has been pre-coated onto a microplate. Standards and samples are pipetted into the wells and any REG4 present is bound by the immobilized antibody. After washing away any unbound substances, a biotinylated polyclonal antibody specific for REG4 is added to the wells. Following a wash to remove any unbound Antibody reagent, Streptavidin HRP Conjugate is added to the wells. After washing away any unbound enzyme, a substrate solution is added to the wells and color develops in proportion to the amount of REG4 bound in the initial step. The color development is stopped and the intensity of the color is measured.

## LIMITATIONS OF THE PROCEDURE

- \_ FOR RESEARCH USE ONLY. NOT FOR USE IN DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES.
- \_ The kit should not be used beyond the expiration date on the kit label.
- \_ Do not mix or substitute 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.
- \_ If samples generate values higher than the highest standard, dilute the samples with the appropriate Dilution Buffer and repeat the assay.
- \_ Any variation in standard diluent, operator, pipetting technique, washing technique, incubation time or temperature, and kit age can cause variation in binding.
- \_ This assay is designed to eliminate interference by soluble receptors, binding proteins, and other factors present in biological samples. Until all factors

have been tested in the Immunoassay, the possibility of interference cannot be excluded.

## MATERIALS PROVIDED

DESCRIPTION	CODE	QUANTITY
<b>Human REG4 Microplate</b> - 96 well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with a mouse monoclonal antibody against human REG4.	<b>636-01-01</b>	<b>1 plate</b>
<b>Human REG4 Standard</b> – 200 pg /vial of human REG4 in a buffered protein base with preservatives; lyophilized.	<b>636-01-02</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Detection Antibody Concentrate</b> – 105 µL / vial, 100-fold concentrated of Biotinylated antibody against REG4 with preservatives; lyophilized.	<b>636-01-03</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Positive Control</b> - one vial of human REG4, lyophilized	<b>636-01-04</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate</b> -120 µl/vial, 100-fold concentrated solution of Streptavidin conjugate to HRP	<b>SAHRP</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Dilution Buffer</b> - 60mL/vial of buffered protein based solution with preservatives	<b>DB08</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Wash Buffer</b> -50 ml/vial, 10-fold concentrated buffered surfactant, with preservative.	<b>WB01</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>TMB Substrate Solution</b> -11 ml / vial of TMB substrate solution	<b>TMB01</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Stop Solution</b> (0.5 M HCl) , 11 ml /vial of 0.5M HCl	<b>S-STOP</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Plate Sealer.</b>	<b>EAPS</b>	<b>1</b>

## STORAGE

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

**Opened / Reconstituted Reagents:** Reconstituted Standard , Antibody Solution SHOULD BE STORED at -20 °C or – 70°C for up to one months. Anti Rabbit IgG - HRP Conjugate 100-fold concentrated and other coREG4nents may be stored at 2 - 8°C for up to 6 months. *Diluted standard working solution and Positive Control should be prepared and used immediately.*

**Microplate Wells:** Return unused wells to the plastic bag containing the desiccant pack, reseal along entire edge of zip-seal. May be stored for up to 6 months at 2 - 8° C.

**OTHER SUPPLIES REQUIRED**

- Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm, with the correction wavelength set at 540 nm or 570 nm.
- Microplate shaker (250-300rpm).
- Pipettes and pipette tips.
- Deionized or distilled water.
- Squirt bottle, manifold dispenser, or automated microplate washer.
- 100 mL and 500 mL graduated cylinders.

**PRECAUTIONS FOR USE**

All reagents should be considered as potentially hazardous. The stop solution contains diluted Hydrochloric acid. Appropriate care, therefore, should be taken while handling this solution. We therefore recommend that this product is handled only by those persons who have been trained in laboratory techniques and that it is used in accordance with the principles of good laboratory practice. Wear suitable protective clothing such as laboratory overalls, safety glasses and gloves. Care should be taken to avoid contact with skin or eyes. In the case of contact with skin or eyes wash immediately with water.

**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.

**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** - Collect plasma using EDTA, heparin, or citrate as an anticoagulant. Centrifuge for

15 minutes at 1000 x g within 30 minutes of collection. Assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at ≤-20° C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

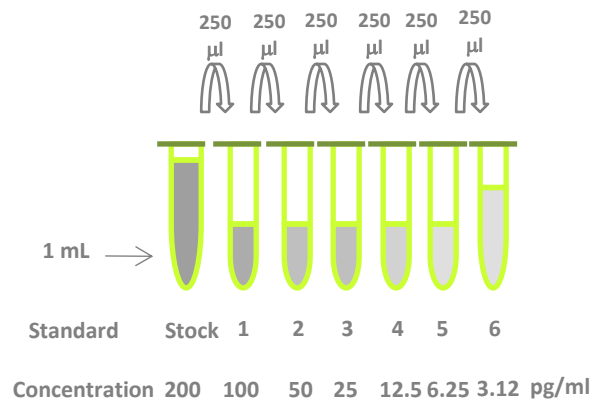
**REAGENT PREPARATION**

**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 Wash Buffer.

**REG4 Standard - Refer to vial label for reconstitution volume.** Reconstitute the **REG4** Standard with 1 ml of Dilution Buffer. This reconstitution produces a stock solution of 200 pg/mL. Allow the standard to sit for a minimum of 15 minutes with gentle agitation prior to making dilutions. Pipette 270 µL of the appropriate Dilution Buffer into the tube #1 to #6. Use the stock solution to produce a dilution series (below). Mix each tube thoroughly before the next transfer. The 200 pg/mL standard serves as the high standard. The appropriate Dilution Buffer serves as the zero standard (0 pg/mL).

STANDARD	STANDARD	DILUTION BUFFER	CONCENTRATION
stock	Powder	1000 µl	200 pg/ml
# 1	250 µl of stock	270 µl	100 pg/ml
# 2	250 µl of 1	270 µl	50 pg/ml
# 3	250 µl of 2	270 µl	25 pg/ml
# 4	250 µl of 3	270 µl	12.5 pg/ml
# 5	250 µl of 4	270 µl	6.25 pg/ml
# 6	250 µl of 5	270 µl	3.125 pg/ml



**Detection Antibody-** Reconstitute the **Detection Antibody concentrated** with 105  $\mu\text{L}$  of Dilution Buffer to produce a 100-fold concentrated stock solution. Pipette 10.395 mL of the appropriate Dilution Buffer into the 15 ml centrifuge tube and transfer 105  $\mu\text{L}$  of 100-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution.

**Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate** - Pipette 11.88 mL of Dilution Buffer into the 15 ml centrifuge tube and transfer 120  $\mu\text{L}$  of 100-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution. *Note: 1 x working solution of Streptavidin- HRP Conjugate should be used within a few days.*

**Positive Control-** Reconstitute the **Positive Control** with 1 mL of Dilution Buffer. *Positive Control should be prepared and used immediately.*

## ASSAY PROCEDURE

**Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature before use. It is recommended that standards be assayed in duplicate.**

1. Prepare all reagents and working standards as directed in the previous sections.
2. Remove excess micro-plate strips from the plate frame, return them to the foil pouch containing the desiccant pack, reseal.
3. Add 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of Dilution Buffer to Blank well (A2, A3).
4. Add 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of Standard (from B2, B3 to H2, H3), sample, or control per well (G4, G5). Cover with the Sealer. Incubate for 2 hours on micro-plate shaker at room temperature. A plate layout is provided to record standards and samples assayed.
5. Aspirate each well and wash, repeating the process three times for a total of four washes. Wash by filling each well with Wash Buffer (300  $\mu\text{L}$ ) 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  $\mu\text{L}$  of Detection Antibody working solution to each well. Cover with sealer. Incubate

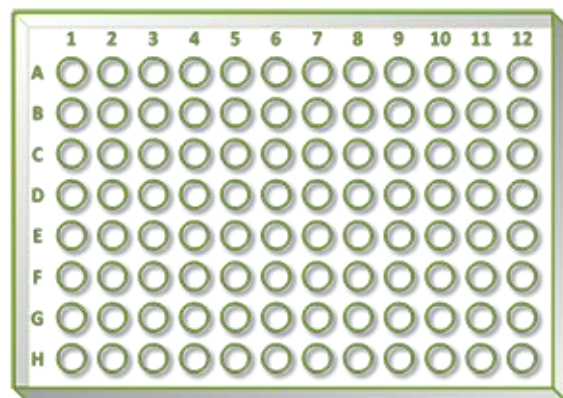
for 2 hours on micro-plate shaker at room temperature.

7. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.
8. Add 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of **Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate** working solution to each well. Incubate for 45 minutes on micro-plate shaker at room temperature.
9. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.
10. Add 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate for 5-7 minutes at room temperature. **Protect from light.**
11. Add 100  $\mu\text{L}$  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 micro-plate reader set to 450 nm.

## CALCULATION OF RESULTS

Average the duplicate readings for each standard, control, and sample and subtract the average zero standard optical density. Create a standard curve by reducing the data using computer software capable of generating a log- log curve fit. As an alternative, construct a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance for each standard on the y-axis against the concentration on the x-axis and draw a best fit curve through the points on the graph. The data may be linearized by plotting the log of the REG4 concentrations versus the log of the O.D. and the best fit line can be determined by regression analysis. This procedure will produce an adequate but less precise fit of the data.

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



**TYPICAL DATA**

These standard curves\* are provided for demonstration only. A standard curve should be generated for each set of samples assayed.

STANDARD (PG/ML)	CORRECTED (450NM)
Blank	0.095
3.125	0.042
6.25	0.092
12.5	0.182
25	0.361
50	0.732
100	1.304
200	2.404

**CALIBRATION**

This immunoassay is calibrated against a highly purified recombinant human REG4.

**SENSITIVITY**

Twenty-five assays were evaluated and the minimum detectable dose (MDD) of REG4 was 2 pg/mL.

**SPECIFICITY**

PROTEIN	CROSSREACTIVITY (%)
Human REG4	100
Human REG1alpha	0

**SUMMARY OF ASSAY PROCEDURE**

