

## HUMAN SOLUBLE FLT-1/VEGF-R1 ELISA KIT

FOR THE QUANTITATIVE DETERMINATION OF HUMAN FLT-1/VEGF-R1 CONCENTRATIONS IN CELL CULTURE SUPERNATES, SERUM AND PLASMA



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### PURCHASE INFORMATION:

ELISA NAME	HUMAN SOLUBLE FLT-1/VEGF-R1 ELISA
Catalog No.	SK00114-01
Lot No.	
Formulation	96 T
Standard range	156-10000 pg/mL
Sensitivity	78 pg/mL
Sample Volume	100 µl
Sample Type	Cell Culture Supernates, Serum, Plasma
Dilution factor	Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application
Specificity	Human sFLT-1
Intra-assay Precision	4-6%
Inter-assay Precision	8-10%
Storage	2 °C-8 °C

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## INTRODUCTION

Human soluble FLT-1 immunoassay is a 3.5 - 4.5 hour solid phase ELISA designed to measure human FLT-1 in serum and EDTA plasma. It contains recombinant human FLT-1 and antibodies raised against this protein. It has been shown to accurately quantify recombinant human FLT-1. Results obtained with naturally occurring FLT-1 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 FLT-1.

## PRINCIPLE OF THE ASSAY

This assay employs the quantitative sandwich enzyme immunoassay technique. An antibody specific for FLT-1 has been pre-coated onto a microplate. Standards and samples are pipetted into the wells and any FLT-1 present is bound by the immobilized antibody. After washing away any unbound substances, a biotinylated antibody specific for FLT-1 is added to the wells. Following a wash to remove any unbound antibody reagent, a 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 FLT-1 bound in the initial step. The color development is stopped and the intensity of the color is measured.

## LIMITATIONS OF THE PROCEDURE

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\_ 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 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>FLT-1 Microplate</b> - 96 well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with an antibody against FLT-1.	<b>114-01-01</b>	<b>1 plate</b>
<b>FLT-1 Standard</b> – 10 ng/vial of recombinant human FLT-1 in a buffered protein base with preservatives; lyophilized.	<b>114-01-02</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Detection Antibody Concentrate</b> – 105 µL/vial, 100-fold concentrated of biotinylated antibody against FLT-1 with preservatives; lyophilized.	<b>114-01-03</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Positive Control</b> - one vial of recombinant human FLT-1 in a buffered protein base with preservatives; lyophilized.	<b>114-01-04</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Streptavidin HRP Conjugate</b> - 60 µL/vial, 200-fold concentrated solution of Streptavidin HRP conjugate	<b>SAHRP</b>	<b>1 vial</b>
<b>Dilution Buffer</b> - 60 mL of buffered protein based solution with preservatives	<b>DB01</b>	<b>1 bottle</b>
<b>HRP Diluent Solution</b> - 12 mL of buffered protein based solution with preservatives	<b>DB08</b>	<b>1 bottle</b>
<b>Wash Buffer</b> - 50 mL of 10-fold concentrated buffered surfactant, with preservative.	<b>WB01</b>	<b>1 bottle</b>
<b>TMB Substrate Solution</b> - 11 mL of TMB substrate solution	<b>TMB01</b>	<b>1 bottle</b>
<b>Stop Solution</b> - 11 mL of 0.5M HCl	<b>S-STOP</b>	<b>1 bottle</b>
<b>Plate Sealer</b>	<b>EAPS</b>	<b>1 piece</b>
<b>Plastic Pouch</b>	<b>P01</b>	<b>1 piece</b>

## STORAGE

**Unopened Kit:** Store at 2 - 8° C for up to 12 months. For longer storage, unopened Standard, Positive Control and Detection Antibody Concentrate should

be stored at -20 or -70 °C. Do not use kit past expiration date.

**Opened / Reconstituted Reagents:** Reconstituted Standard and Detection Antibody Concentrate Solution SHOULD BE STORED at -20 °C or -70°C for up to one month. Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate 200-fold concentrated and other components may be stored at 2 - 8°C for up to 12 months.

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

### 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.

**Note: Use Aprotinin (enzyme inhibitor) (Code No.: 00700-01-25) for ALL sample collection to prevent sample degradation. 0.5 TIU per ml of sample solution.**

### SAMPLE PREPARATION

**Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application.**

**Use polypropylene test tubes.**

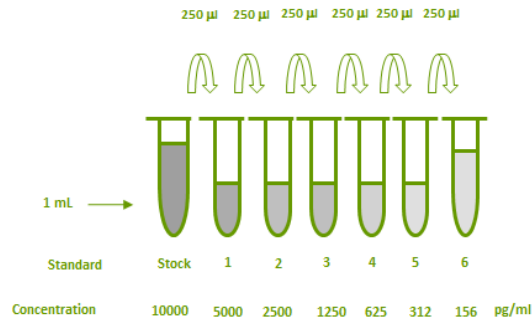
### REAGENT PREPARATION

**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 Wash Buffer.

**FLT-1 Standard - Refer to vial label for reconstitution volume.** Reconstitute the **FLT-1** standard with 1 mL of Dilution Buffer. This reconstitution produces a stock solution of 10,000 pg/mL. Allow the standard to sit for a minimum of 15 minutes with gentle agitation prior to making dilutions. Pipette 250 µL of 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 10,000 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	1000 µl	10,000 pg/ml
# 1	250 µl of stock	250 µl	5000 pg/ml
# 2	250 µl of 1	250 µl	2500 pg/ml
# 3	250 µl of 2	250 µl	1250 pg/ml
# 4	250 µl of 3	250 µl	625 pg/ml
# 5	250 µl of 4	250 µl	312 pg/ml
# 6	250 µl of 5	250 µl	156 pg/ml



**Detection Antibody** - Reconstitute the Detection Antibody Concentrate with 105 µL of Dilution Buffer to produce a 100-fold concentrated stock solution. Pipette 10.395 mL of Dilution Buffer into a 15 mL centrifuge tube and transfer 105 µL of 100-fold concentrated stock solution to prepare working solution.

**Streptavidin HRP Conjugate** - Transfer 60 µL of 200-fold concentrated stock solution to 11.94 mL of HRP Diluent Solution to prepare working solution. **Note:** 1x 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 to make positive control solution.

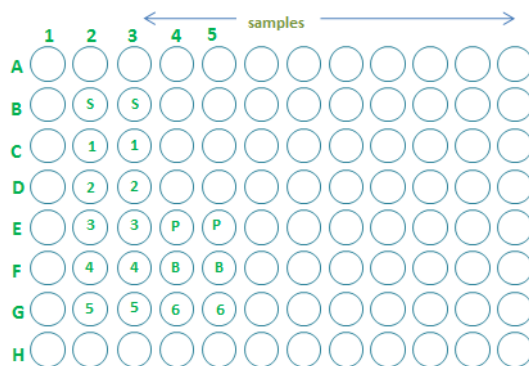
### ASSAY PROCEDURE

Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature before use. It is recommended that blank, standards, samples and positive control be assayed in duplicates.

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 plastic pouch with the desiccant pack.
3. Add 100 µL of Dilution Buffer to Blank wells (F4, F5).
4. Add 100 µL of Standard (from B2, B3 to G2, G3, and G4, G5), samples, or positive control (E4, E5) per well. Cover with sealer. Incubate for two hours on microplate 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 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.

6. Add 100 µL 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 µL of **Streptavidin HRP Conjugate** working solution to each well. Incubate for 60 minutes on micro-plate shaker at room temperature. **Protect from light.**
9. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 5.
10. Add 100 µL of Substrate Solution to each well. Incubate for 12-17 minutes at room temperature on plate shaker. **Protect from light.**
11. 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.
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, positive 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 FLT-1 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**

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

FLT-1 (PG/ML)	CORRECTED (450NM)
Blank	0 (0.138)
156	0.025
312.5	0.048
625	0.090
1250	0.186
2500	0.393
5000	0.842
10000	1.764

- Lot No.:
- Positive Control : 270 - 510 pg/mL

**CALIBRATION**

This immunoassay is calibrated against a highly purified recombinant human FLT-1/Fc.

**SENSITIVITY**

Twenty-five assays were evaluated and the minimum detectable dose (MDD) of FLT-1 was 78 pg/mL.

**SPECIFICITY**

This assay recognizes both natural and recombinant human FLT-1. The factors listed below were prepared at 100 ng/mL in Dilution Buffer, and assayed for cross reactivity. No significant cross-reactivity or interference was observed.

PROTEINS	CROSSREACTIVITY (%)
Human sFLT-1	100
Mouse FLT-1/Fc	0
Human PIGF	0
Human VEGF 165	0
Human VEGF121	0
Human sVEGF-RII	0
Human sVEGF-R III	0

**SUMMARY OF ASSAY PROCEDURE**

