

[Mouse anti-OVA-IgG1 ELISA Kit]

(Code No.:AKRIE-040)

Please, read this instruction carefully before use.

This kit is manufactured by Shibayagi Co., Ltd.

Use only the current version of Instruction Manual enclosed with the kit! For the detailed assay procedure, refer to [Key points for ELISA by movie](#) on our website:

<http://www.shibayagi.co.jp/index-E.htm>

1. Intended use

Mouse anti-OVA-IgG1 ELISA Kit is an ELISA system for quantitative measurement of mouse anti-OVA-IgG1 antibody titer. This is intended for research use only.

2. Storage and expiration

When the intact kit is stored at 2-8°C, the kit is stable until the expiration date shown on the label on the box. Reagents, once opened, should be used as soon as possible to avoid losing its optimal assay performance by storage environment.

3. Introduction

IgG is the most abundant immunoglobulin and is the main antibody in the secondary immune response. IgG₁, with the heavy chain γ_1 and molecular weight of 146kDa, occupies about 2/3 of total IgG. By limiting antigen to OVA (ovalbumin), and by measuring only IgG₁, mouse immune response is simplified for elucidation.

Shibayagi's OVA-IgG₁ ELISA Kit is useful for specific measurement of mouse anti-OVA IgG₁ antibody.

4. Assay principle

In Shibayagi's Mouse anti-OVA-IgG1 ELISA Kit, biotin-conjugated anti-mouse IgG1 antibody, standards or samples are incubated in OVA-coated wells to capture OVA-IgG1. After 1 hour incubation and washing, HRP (horse radish peroxidase)-labeled avidin is added, and incubated for 30 minutes together with captured anti-mouse OVA-IgG1 antibody. After washing, HRP-complex remaining in wells is reacted with a chromogenic substrate (TMB) for 20 minutes, and reaction is stopped by addition of acidic solution, and absorbance of yellow product is measured spectrophotometrically at 450 nm. The absorbance is nearly proportional to anti-mouse OVA-IgG1 antibody titer. The standard curve is prepared by plotting absorbance against standard OVA-IgG1 concentrations. The concentrations in unknown samples are determined using this standard curve.

5. Precautions

- For professional use only, beginners are advised to use this kit under the guidance of experienced person.
- Wear gloves and laboratory coats when handling assay materials.
- Do not drink, eat or smoke in the areas where assays are carried out.
- In treating assay samples of animal origin, be careful for possible biohazards.
- This kit contains components of animal origin. These materials should be handled as potentially infectious.
- Be careful not to allow the reagent solutions of the kit to touch the skin, eyes and mucus membranes. Especially be careful for the reaction stopper because it is 1 M sulfuric acid. The reaction stopper and the substrate solution may cause skin/eyes irritation. In case of contact with these wash skin/eyes thoroughly with water and seek medical attention, when necessary.
- Avoid contact with the acidic Reaction stopper solution and Chromogenic substrate solution, which contains hydrogen peroxide and tetramethylbenzidine (TMB). Wear gloves and eye and clothing protection when handling these reagents.
- The materials must not be pipetted by mouth.

- Residual samples and used tips should be rinsed in 1% formalin, 2% glutal aldehyde, or more than 0.1% sodium hypochlorite solution for more than 1 hour, or be treated by an autoclave before disposal.
- Dispose consumable materials and unused contents in accordance with applicable regional/national regulatory requirements.
- Use clean laboratory glassware.
- In order to avoid dryness of wells, contamination of foreign substances and evaporation of dispensed reagents, never forget to cover the well plate with a plate seal supplied, during incubation.
- ELISA can be easily affected by your laboratory environment. Room temperature should be at 20-25°C strictly. Avoid airstream velocity over 0.4 m/sec. ① (including wind from air conditioner), and humidity less than 30%. ①For airstream, refer to [\[Assay circumstance\]](#) on our web site.

6. Reagents supplied

Components	State	Amount
(A) OVA-coated 96 well-plate (Dried-plate)	Ready for use.	96 wells/1 plate
(B) Mouse anti-OVA- IgG1 standard (1200 mU/ml) (derived from mouse)	Concentrated. Use after dilution.	100 µl/1 vial
(C) Buffer solution	Ready for use.	60 ml/1 bottle
(D) Biotin-conjugated anti-mouse IgG1 antibody	Concentrated. Use after dilution.	200 µl/1 vial
(E) HRP-avidin conjugate	Concentrated. Use after dilution.	200 µl/1 vial
(F) Chromogenic substrate (TMB) solution	Ready for use.	12 ml/1 bottle
(H) Reaction stopper (1M H ₂ SO ₄) Be careful!	Ready for use.	12 ml/1 bottle
(I) Concentrated washing buffer (10x)	Concentrated. Use after dilution.	100 ml/1 bottle
Plate seal	—	3 sheets
Instruction Manual	—	1 copy

7. Equipments required but not supplied Use as a check box

- Purified water (distilled water)
- Test tubes for preparation of standard solution series.
- Glassware for dilution of washing buffer (a graduated cylinder, a bottle)
- Pipettes (disposable tip type). One should be able to deliver 5-10 µl precisely, and another for 10-100 µl.
- Syringe-type repeating dispenser like Eppendorf multipette plus which can dispense 50 µl and 100 µl.
- Paper towel to remove washing buffer remaining in wells.
- A vortex-type mixer.
- A shaker for 96 well-plate (600-1200rpm)
- An automatic washer for 96 well-plate (if available), or a wash bottle with a jet nozzle (refer to our web movie [\[Washing of microplate\]](#)).
- A 96 well-plate reader (450nm ± 10nm, 620nm: 600-650nm)
- Software for data analysis, if available. Shibayagi is proposing the use of assay results calculation template for EXCEL. Please check our website (http://www.shibayagi.co.jp/en/tech_003.html).

8. Preparation of reagents

- ◆ Bring all reagents of the kit to room temperature (20-25 °C) before use.
- ◆ Prepare reagent solutions in appropriate volume for your assay. Do not store the diluted reagents.

【Concentrated reagents】

[(B) Mouse anti-OVA-IgG1 standard (1200 mU/ml)]

Make a serial dilution of original standard solution to prepare each standard solution. Example is shown below.

Volume of standard solution	Buffer solution	Concentration(mU/ml)
Original solution : 10 µl	90 µl	120
120 mU/ml solution : 50 µl	50 µl	60
60 mU/ml solution : 50 µl	50 µl	30
30 mU/ml solution : 50 µl	50 µl	15
15 mU/ml solution : 50 µl	50 µl	7.5
7.5 mU/ml solution : 50 µl	50 µl	3.75
3.75 mU/ml solution : 50 µl	50 µl	1.88
0 (Blank)	50 µl	0

*In this kit, 1 U/ml is prescribed to antigen-binding constant (K_a) $6.9 \times 10^7 M^{-1}$ antibody 160 ng/ml.

[(D) Biotin-conjugated anti-mouse IgG1 antibody]

Prepare working solution by dilution of (D) with the buffer solution (C) to **1:100**.

[(E) HRP-avidin conjugate]

Prepare working solution by dilution of (E) with the buffer solution (C) to **1:100**.

[(I) Concentrated washing buffer (10x)]

Dilute 1 volume of the concentrated washing buffer (10x) to **10 volume** with deionized water to prepare working solution. Example: 100 ml of concentrated washing buffer (10x) and 900ml of deionized water.

【Storage and stability】

[(A) OVA-coated 96 well-plate]

If seal is not removed, put the strip back in a plastic bag with zip-seal originally used for well-plate container and store at 2-8 °C. The strip will be stable until expiration date.

[(B) Mouse anti-OVA-IgG1 standard (1200 mU/ml)]

Standard solutions prepared above should be used as soon as possible, and should not be stored.

[(C) Buffer solution] & [(F) Chromogenic substrate solution]

If not opened, store at 2-8 °C. It maintains stability until expiration date. Once opened, we recommend using them as soon as possible to avoid influence by environmental condition.

[(D) Biotin-conjugated anti-mouse IgG1 antibody] & [(E) HRP-avidin conjugate]

Unused working solution (already diluted) should be disposed.

[(H) Reaction stopper (1 M H₂SO₄)]

Close the stopper tightly and store at 2-8 °C. It maintains stability until expiration date.

[(I) Concentrated washing buffer (10x)]

The rest of undiluted buffer: if stored tightly closed at 2-8 °C, it is stable until expiration date. Dispose any unused diluted buffer.

7. Technical tips

- In manual operation, proficiency in pipetting technique is recommended.
- The reagents are prepared to give accurate results only when used in combination within the same box. Therefore, do not combine the reagents from kits with different lot numbers. Even if the lot number is the same, it is best not to mix the reagents with those that have been preserved for some period.
- Be careful to avoid any contamination of assay samples and reagents. We recommend the use of disposal pipette tips, and 1 tip for 1 well.
- Optimally, the reagent solutions of the kit should be used immediately after reconstitution. Otherwise, store them in a dark place at 2-8 °C.
- Time the reaction from the pipetting of the reagent to the first well.
- Prepare a standard curve for each assay.
- Dilution of the assay sample must be carried out using the buffer solution provided in the kit.
- The chromogenic substrate (TMB) solution should be almost colorless before use. It turns blue during reaction, and gives yellowish color after addition of reaction stopper. Greenish color

means incomplete mixing.

- To avoid denaturation of the coated antibody, do not let the plate go dry.
- As the antibody-coated plate is module type of 8wells x 12 strips, each strip can be separated by cutting the cover sheet with a knife and used independently.
- When ELISA has to be done under the airstream velocity over 0.4 m/sec. and the humidity less than 30%, seal the well plate with a plate seal and place the well plate in an incubator or a styrofoam box in each step of incubation. For more details, watch our web movie [\[Assay circumstance\]](#).
- The standard of this kit is anti-OVA-IgG1 monoclonal antibody. Therefore, it is possible to compare the assay results even if this kit is used in a different laboratory. Principally it is not possible to compare the assay results with other assay kits' results because the standards don't always have the affinity to the same OVA.

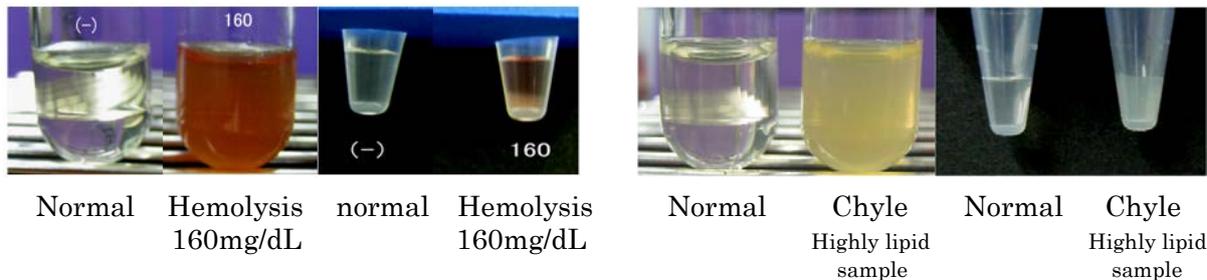
10. Preparation of samples

This kit is intended to measure anti-mouse OVA-IgG1 antibody titer in mouse serum or plasma.

Samples should be immediately assayed or stored below -35°C for several days. Defrosted samples should be mixed thoroughly for best results.

[Hemolytic and hyperlipemic samples are not suitable.](#)

*** To avoid influence of blood (high lipid or hemolysis, etc.), if your original samples have heavy chyle or hemolysis as the pictures below, do not use them for assay. Abnormal value might be obtained with hemolysis above 160mg/dL with this kit.**



If presence of interfering substance is suspected, examine by dilution test at more than 2 points. Turbid samples or those containing insoluble materials should be centrifuged before testing to remove any particulate matter.

Make sure to dilute samples more than 100x. Recommended is 100-10,000x depending on the antibody titer. Dilution should be carried out with the buffer solution of the kit using small test tubes before assay.

Example of dilution: Rate	(10x)	100x	1,000x	10,000x	
Sample (μl)	5	20*	20*	20*	
Buffer (μl)	45	180	180	180	*One rank lower diluted sample

Storage and stability

Sample is stable at $2-8^{\circ}\text{C}$ within a week. If you have to store assay samples for a longer period, snap-freeze samples and keep them below -35°C . Avoid repeated freezing and thawing cycles.

11. Assay procedure

Remove the cover sheet of the 96 well-plate after bringing up to room temperature.

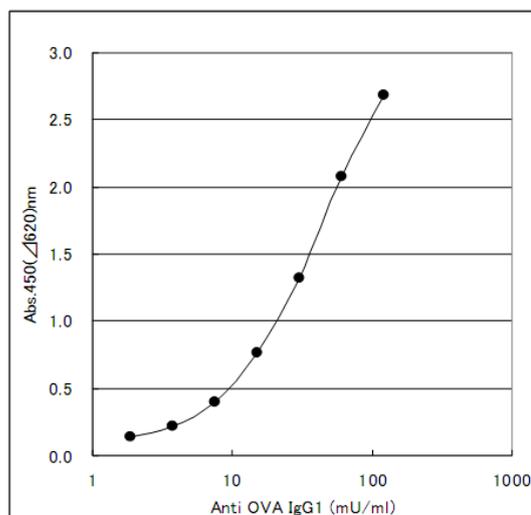
- (1) Wash the antibody coated plate (A) by filling the well with washing buffer and discard 3 times (*②), then strike the plate upside-down onto several layers of paper towels to remove residual buffer in the wells.
- (2) Pipette 50 μ l of biotin conjugated anti-mouse IgG1 antibody (D) to the designated wells. Shake the plate gently on a plate shaker. (*③)
- (3) Pipette 10 μ l of diluted samples to the wells designated for samples.
- (4) Pipette 10 μ l of standards to the wells designated for standards.
- (5) Shake the plate gently on a plate shaker (*③).
- (6) Stick a plate seal (*④) on the plate and incubate for 1 hour at 20-25°C.
- (7) Discard the reaction mixture and rinse wells as step (1).
- (8) Pipette 100 μ l of HRP-conjugated avidin solution (E) to all wells, and shake as step (5).
- (9) Stick a plate seal (*④) on the plate and incubate the plate for 30 minutes at 20-25°C.
- (10) Discard the reaction mixture and rinse wells as step (1).
- (11) Pipette 100 μ l of chromogenic substrate solution (F) to wells, and shake as step (5).
- (12) Stick a plate seal (*④) on the plate and incubate the plate for 20 minutes at 20-25°C.
- (13) Add 100 μ l of the reaction stopper (H) to all wells and shake as step (5).
- (14) Measure the absorbance of each well at 450 nm (reference wavelength, 620*nm) using a plate reader within 30 minutes.

*Refer to the page 7 for notes of *②, *③ and *④.

12. Calculations

- (1) Prepare a standard curve using semi-logarithmic or two-way logarithmic section paper by plotting absorbance* (Y-axis) against anti-OVA-IgG1 concentration (mU/ml) on X-axis. Physiological or pathological situation of animals should be judged comprehensively taking other examination results into consideration.

- (2) Using the standard curve, read the anti-OVA-IgG1 concentration of a sample at its absorbance*, and multiply the assay value by dilution factor. Though the assay range is wide enough, in case the absorbance of some samples is higher than that of the highest standard, please repeat the assay after proper dilution of samples with the buffer solution. * We



Mouse ant-OVA-IgG1 assay standard curve (an example)
Absorbance may change due to assay environment.

recommend the use of 3rd order regression curve for log-log plot, or 4 parameters method for log-normal plot in computer calculation. Clinical findings in mouse should be judged collectively considering clinical manifestation or other test results.

13. Performance characteristics

- Assay range
The assay range of the kit is 1.88 ~ 120 mU/ml.
- Specificity
The biotin conjugated anti-mouse IgG1 antibody of this kit is specific to mouse IgG1.
- Precision of assay
Within assay variation (2 samples, 5 replicates assay,) Mean CV was less than 5 %.
- Reproducibility
Between assay variation (3 samples, 4 days, duplicate assay) Mean CV was less than 5 %
- Recovery test
Anti-mouse OVA-IgG1 was added in 3 concentrations to 2 serum samples and was assayed.
The recoveries were 92.5 ~ 103%

- Dilution test
2 serum samples were serially diluted by 3 steps.
The dilution curves showed excellent linearity. ($R^2= 0.9994 \sim 0.9998$)

14. Reference assay data

Mouse OVA-IgG1 antibody titer's mean assay value: 27.2 U/ml, SD: 1.92 U/ml

Strain: BALB/c, 3 males, 8 week-old

OVA administration: Equal volumes of alum (20mg/ml) and OVA (50 μ g/ml) were mixed, and 0.2ml/head of the mixture was intraperitoneally injected twice with 1 week interval, then blood sampling was made 3 weeks later.

OVA was first solubilized with 0.1M carbonate buffer pH 8.5 at a concentration of 1mg/ml, then diluted with saline to make 50 μ g/ml

These data should be considered as guidance only. Each laboratory should establish its own normal and pathological reference ranges for OVA-IgG1 levels independently.

15. Trouble shooting

- Low absorbance in all wells
Possible explanations:
 - 1) The standard or samples might not be added.
 - 2) Reagents necessary for coloration such as Biotin-conjugated antibody, HRP-conjugated avidin, or TMB might not be added.
 - 3) Wrong reagents related to coloration might have been added. Wrong dilution of biotin-conjugated antibody or HRP-avidin conjugate.
 - 4) Contamination of enzyme inhibitor(s).
 - 5) Influence of the temperature under which the kits had been stored.
 - 6) Excessive hard washing of the well plate.
 - 7) Addition of TMB solution soon after taking out from a refrigerator might cause poor coloration owing to low temperature.
- Blank OD was higher than that of the lowest standard concentration (1.88 mU/ml).
Possible explanations:
Improper or inadequate washing. (Change washing frequency from 3 times to 4-6 times at the constant stroke after the reaction with HRP-conjugated anti-OVA-IgG1 antibody.)
- High coefficient of variation (CV)
Possible explanation:
 - 1) Improper or inadequate washing.
 - 2) Improper mixing of standard or samples.
 - 3) Pipetting at irregular intervals.
- Q-1: Can I divide the plate to use it for the other testing?
A-1: Yes, cut off the clear seal on the plate with cutter along strip. Put the residual plate, which is still the seal on, in a refrigerator soon.
- Q-2: I found 96 well-plate is empty when I opened the box.
A-2: As this kit is dried type, not preservation stabilizer is added.
For detailed FAQs and explanations, refer to **“Trouble shooting and Important Points in Shibayagi’s ELISA kits”** on our website (http://www.shibayagi.co.jp/en/tech_004.html).

16. References

Please, refer to [\[User’s Publication\]](#) on our website.

Summary of assay procedure : Use as a check box

***First, read this instruction manual carefully and start your assay after confirmation of details.**

For more details, watch our web movie [\[ELISA by MOVIE\]](#) on our website.

Bring the well-plate and all reagents to **20-25°C for 2 hours.**

Concentrated washing buffer must be diluted to **10 times** by purified water.

Standard solution dilution example:

Concentration (mU/ml)	120	60	30	15	7.5	3.75	1.88	0
Std. solution (μl)	orig.sol. 10	50*	50*	50*	50*	50*	50*	0
Buffer solution (μl)	90	50	50	50	50	50	50	50

*One rank higher standard.

Make the positive control.

Dilute biotin-conjugated anti-mouse IgG1 antibody to **100x** with buffer returned to 20-25°C.

Precautions & related info

<input type="checkbox"/> OVA-coated 96 well-plate (Dried-plate)		
<input type="checkbox"/> ↓ Washing 3 times(*②)		*⑥
<input type="checkbox"/> Biotin-conjugated anti-mouse IgG1 antibody	50 μl	*⑦ [Handling of pipetting]
<input type="checkbox"/> ↓ Shaking(*③)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Diluted Samples / Standards	10 μl	*⑦ [Handling of pipetting]
<input type="checkbox"/> ↓ Shaking(*③), Incubation for 1 hour at 20-25°C. (Standing(*④))		*⑧ [Assay circumstance]
<input type="checkbox"/> Dilute HRP-conjugated avidin (E) to 100x with buffer (C) returned to 20-25°C.		
<input type="checkbox"/> ↓ Washing 3 times(*②)		*⑥
<input type="checkbox"/> HRP-conjugated avidin	100 μl	*⑦ [Handling of pipetting]
<input type="checkbox"/> ↓ Shaking(*③), Incubation for 30 mins at 20-25°C. (Standing(*④))		*⑧ [Assay circumstance]
<input type="checkbox"/> ↓ Washing 3 times(*②)		*⑥
<input type="checkbox"/> Chromogenic substrate (TMB)	100 μl	After dispense, the color turns to blue depending on the concentration.
<input type="checkbox"/> ↓ Shaking(*③), Incubation for 20 mins at 20-25°C. (Standing(*④))		*⑧ [Assay circumstance]
<input type="checkbox"/> Reaction stopper (1M H ₂ SO ₄)	100 μl	After dispense, the color turns to yellow depending on the concentration.
<input type="checkbox"/> ↓ Shaking(*③)		Immediately shake.
<input type="checkbox"/> Measurement of absorbance (450nm, Ref 620nm (*⑤))		Ref. wave cancels the dirt in the back of plate.

*② After dispensing wash buffer to wells, lightly shake the plate on your palm for 10 sec and remove the buffer. Guideline of washing volume: 300μl/well for an automatic washer and for a pipette if the washing buffer is added by pipette. In case of washing by using 8 channel pipette, sometimes the back ground tends to be high. If so, change washing frequency from 3 times to 4-6 times at the constant stroke after the reaction with HRP conjugated streptavidin.

Standard of plate-washing pressure: 5-25ml/min. (Adjust it depending on the nozzle's diameter.) Refer to our web movie [\[Washing of microplate\]](#).

*③ Guideline of shaking: **600-1,200rpm for 10 seconds x 3 times.**

*④ Seal the plate during the reaction after shaking. Peel off the protective paper from the seal and stick the seal on the plate. Do not reuse the plate seal used once.

*⑤ 600-650 nm can be used as reference wavelength.

*⑥ After removal of wash buffer, immediately dispense the next reagent.

*⑦ Refer to our web movie [\[Handling of pipetting\]](#).

*⑧ Refer to our web movie [\[Assay circumstance\]](#).

Worksheet example

	Strip 1&2	Strip 3&4	Strip 5&6	Strip 7&8	Strip 9&10	Strip 11&12
A	120 mU/ml	Pos. Control	Sample 8	Sample 16	Sample 24	Sample 32
B	60 mU/ml	Sample 1	Sample 9	Sample 17	Sample 25	Sample 33
C	30 mU/ml	Sample 2	Sample 10	Sample 18	Sample 26	Sample 34
D	15 mU/ml	Sample 3	Sample 11	Sample 19	Sample 27	Sample 35
E	7.5 mU/ml	Sample 4	Sample 12	Sample 20	Sample 28	Sample 36
F	3.75 mU/ml	Sample 5	Sample 13	Sample 21	Sample 29	Sample 37
G	1.88 mU/ml	Sample 6	Sample 14	Sample 22	Sample 30	Sample 38
H	0	Sample 7	Sample 15	Sample 23	Sample 31	Sample 39

Assay worksheet

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A												
B												
C												
D												
E												
F												
G												
H												

[Storage condition] Store the kit at 2-8°C (Do not freeze).

[Term of validity] 6 months from production (Expiration date is indicated on the container.)

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