

## Human PPIF (Peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans isomerase F) ELISA Kit

Cat #: orb2816948 (manual)

*For research use only. Not intended for diagnostic use.*

### Product Features

|                                      |   |                  |          |
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| Application                          | In vitro quantitative determination of PPIF concentrations in serum, plasma, cell culture supernatant and other biological samples. |                  |          |
| Reactivity                           | Human   | Detection Method | Sandwich |
| Range                                | 0.313-20ng/ml   | Sensitivity      | 50pg/ml  |
| Detection Duration                   | 4 hours (excluding balance and sample preparation)  |                  |          |
| Samples needed for single well (Max) | Serum: 50 ul, Plasma: 50 ul, Cell Culture Supernatant: 100ul, cell or tissue lysate: 100ul, Other liquid samples: 50ul              |                  |          |
| Specificity                          | Specifically recognize PPIF, no obvious cross reaction with other analogues   |                  |          |
| Storage                              | 2-8°C (for sealed box), please do not freeze!   |                  |          |

### Assay Principle

This kit was based on sandwich enzyme-linked immune-sorbent assay technology. Anti PPIF antibody was pre-coated onto the 96-well plate. The biotin conjugated anti PPIF antibody was used as the detection antibody. The standards and pilot samples were added to the wells subsequently. After incubation, unbound conjugates were removed by wash buffer. Then, biotinylated detection antibody was added to bind with PPIF conjugated on coated antibody. After washing off unbound conjugates, HRP-Streptavidin was added. After a third washing, TMB substrates were added to visualize HRP enzymatic reaction. TMB was catalyzed by HRP to produce a blue color product that turned yellow after adding a stop solution. Read the O.D. absorbance at 450nm in a microplate reader. The concentration of PPIF in the sample was calculated by drawing a standard curve. The concentration of the target substance is proportional to the OD450 value.

### Kit Components

The sealed kit can be stored at 2-8 °C. The storage condition for opened kit is specified in the table below:

| Item                           | Size(48T) | Size(96T) | Storage Condition for Opened Kit  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|
| ELISA Microplate(Dismountable) | 8×6       | 8×12      | Put the rest strips into a sealed foil bag with the desiccant. Stored for 1 month at 2-8°C; Stored for 12 months at -20°C |
| Lyophilized Standard           | 1vial     | 2vial     | Put the rest of the standards into a desiccant bag. Stored for 1 month at 2-8°C; Stored for 12 months at -20°C            |

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| Biotin-labeled Antibody (Concentrated, 100X) | 60ul     | 120ul    | 2-8°C (Avoid Direct Light) |
| HRP-Streptavidin Conjugate (SABC, 100X)      | 60ul     | 120ul    |                            |
| TMB Substrate                                | 5ml      | 10ml     |                            |
| Sample Dilution Buffer                       | 10ml     | 20ml     | 2-8°C                      |
| Antibody Dilution Buffer                     | 5ml      | 10ml     |                            |
| SABC Dilution Buffer                         | 5ml      | 10ml     |                            |
| Stop Solution                                | 5ml      | 10ml     |                            |
| Wash Buffer(25X)                             | 15ml     | 30ml     |                            |
| Plate Sealer                                 | 3 pieces | 5 pieces |                            |
| Product Description                          | 1 copy   | 1 copy   |                            |

Note: Liquid reagent bottles may contain slightly more volume than indicated on the label. Use a calibrated pipette for accurate measurement and dilution.

### Materials Required but Not Supplied

- Microplate reader (450 nm)
- 37°C incubator (CO<sub>2</sub> incubators used for cell culture are not recommended)
- Automated plate washer or multichannel pipette/5 mL pipettor (for manual washing)
- Calibrated single-channel pipettes (0.5–10 µL, 5–50 µL, 20–200 µL, 200–1000 µL) and a multichannel pipette, with disposable tips
- Sterile tubes and microcentrifuge tubes
- Absorbent paper and a plate holder/tray
- Deionized or distilled water

### Sample Preparation

#### Sample Collection and Storage

- 1. Serum:** Allow whole blood to clot at room temperature for 2 hours or at 2–8°C overnight. Centrifuge for 20 minutes at 1,000 × g and collect the supernatant for immediate analysis. Alternatively, aliquot and store at –20°C or –80°C for future assays.
- 2. Plasma:** EDTA-Na<sub>2</sub>/K<sub>2</sub> is recommended as the anticoagulant. Centrifuge samples for 15 minutes at 1000×g 2–8°C within 30 minutes after collection. Collect the supernatant for immediate analysis. Or you can aliquot the supernatant and store it at -20°C or -80°C for future assays. For other anticoagulant types and uses, please refer to the sample preparation guideline.
- 3. Tissue Samples:** Tissue samples should be prepared as homogenates as follows:

3.1 Place the tissue on ice. Remove residual blood by washing with pre-cooled PBS (0.01 M, pH 7.4), then weigh the tissue.

3.2 Homogenize on ice using lysis buffer. The required volume depends on tissue weight; typically, **9 mL PBS per 1 g tissue** is appropriate. Protease inhibitors are recommended (e.g., **1 mM PMSF**).

3.3 Further process the homogenate using sonication or freeze–thaw cycles (keep samples cold during sonication; freeze–thaw cycles may be repeated twice).

3.4 Centrifuge for **5 minutes at 5,000 × g**. Collect the supernatant for immediate analysis or aliquot and store at **–20°C or –80°C**.

3.5 Measure total protein concentration using a BCA assay for data normalization. Total protein concentration for ELISA is typically **1–3 mg/mL**. Some tissues (e.g., liver, kidney, pancreas) may contain high endogenous peroxidase activity that can react with TMB and cause false-positive results. If needed, inactivate with **1% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> for 15 minutes**, then repeat the assay.

**Notes:** PBS or mild RIPA buffer may be used. If you use RIPA buffer, adjust to **pH 7.3**. Avoid NP-40, Triton X-100, and DTT, as these may significantly inhibit assay performance. A recommended lysis buffer is **50 mM Tris, 0.9% NaCl, 0.1% SDS, pH 7.3**. You may prepare this buffer in-house or contact Biorbyt for purchasing options.

**4. Cell Culture Supernatant:** Centrifuge at **2,500 rpm at 2–8°C for 5 minutes**, then collect the clarified supernatant for immediate analysis. Alternatively, aliquot and store at **–80°C** for future assays.

## 5. Cell Lysate

### 5.1 Suspension Cells

Centrifuge at **2,500 rpm at 2–8°C for 5 minutes** and collect the cells. Add pre-cooled PBS and mix gently, then centrifuge again to pellet the cells. Add **0.5–1 mL** lysis buffer with protease inhibitor (e.g., PMSF, final concentration **1 mmol/L**). Lyse on ice for **30–60 minutes** or disrupt by sonication.

### 5.2 Adherent Cells

Remove the supernatant and wash the cells three times with pre-cooled PBS. Add **0.5–1 mL** lysis buffer with protease inhibitor (e.g., PMSF, final concentration **1 mmol/L**). Scrape cells using a cell scraper. Lyse the suspension on ice for **30–60 minutes** or disrupt by sonication.

5.3 During lysis, mix by pipetting or gently shaking the tube to ensure complete lysis. Viscosity is typically caused by genomic DNA and can be reduced by sonication on ice (3–5 mm probe, 150–300 W, 3–5 seconds per pulse, 30-second intervals; total sonication time 1–2 minutes).

5.4 After lysis/sonication, centrifuge at **10,000 rpm at 2–8°C for 10 minutes**. Transfer the supernatant to a microcentrifuge tube for immediate analysis, or aliquot and store at **–80°C**.

**Notes:** Refer to the tissue sample notes above.

## 6. Other Biological Sample

Centrifuge samples for **15 minutes at 1,000 × g at 2–8°C**. Collect the supernatant for immediate analysis, or aliquot and store at **–80°C** for future assays.

Recommended reagents for sample preparation: 100mM PMSF protease inhibitor, Lysis Buffer (for ELISA).

### Recommended Sample Dilution Ratio

**Important:** Matrix components in serum/plasma can affect assay performance. Serum/plasma samples should be diluted at least **1:2** with Sample Dilution Buffer before testing.

If a different dilution ratio is required, refer to the universal dilution guide below. Volumes are for a single well, multiply by the number of wells for duplicates.

- **1:2 dilution:** Add 60  $\mu\text{L}$  sample + 60  $\mu\text{L}$  diluent; mix gently.
- **1:5 dilution:** Add 24  $\mu\text{L}$  sample + 96  $\mu\text{L}$  diluent; mix gently.
- **1:10 dilution:** Add 12  $\mu\text{L}$  sample + 108  $\mu\text{L}$  diluent; mix gently.
- **1:20 dilution:** Add 6  $\mu\text{L}$  sample + 114  $\mu\text{L}$  diluent; mix gently.
- **1:50 dilution:** Add 3  $\mu\text{L}$  sample + 47  $\mu\text{L}$  0.9% NaCl into 100  $\mu\text{L}$  diluent; mix gently.
- **1:100 dilution:** Add 3  $\mu\text{L}$  sample + 177  $\mu\text{L}$  0.9% NaCl into 120  $\mu\text{L}$  diluent; mix gently.
- **1:1,000 dilution:** Two-step dilution: prepare a 1:50 dilution first (normal saline), then prepare a 1:20 dilution; mix gently.
- **1:10,000 dilution:** Two-step dilution: prepare a 1:100 dilution first (normal saline), then repeat; mix gently.
- **1:100,000 dilution:** Three-step dilution: prepare 1:50 and 1:20 dilutions (normal saline for the first two steps), then prepare a 1:100 dilution; mix gently.

**Note:** Use at least **3  $\mu\text{L}$**  sample in each dilution step. Mix gently to avoid foaming.

### Notes for Sample

1. Use disposable, endotoxin-free blood collection tubes. Avoid hemolyzed or lipemic samples.
2. Recommended storage: up to **5 days at 2–8°C**, up to **6 months at –20°C**, and up to **2 years at –80°C**. For longer storage, samples may be stored in liquid nitrogen.
3. Thaw frozen samples rapidly in a **15–25°C** water bath to minimize ice-crystal effects. After thawing, centrifuge to remove precipitates, then mix thoroughly.
4. The assay detection range does not necessarily match the native analyte concentration in all sample types. If concentration falls outside the range, dilute or concentrate on samples as needed.
5. A pilot test is recommended for uncommon sample types or models without reference data.
6. Recombinant proteins may not always be recognized by the kit antibodies, which may result in undetectable signal.

### Reagent Preparation

Remove the kit from the refrigerator approximately **20 minutes** before use and equilibrate to room temperature (**18–25°C**). For repeated assays, remove only the strips and standards needed for the current run and store remaining components according to the recommended conditions.

#### 1. Wash Buffer

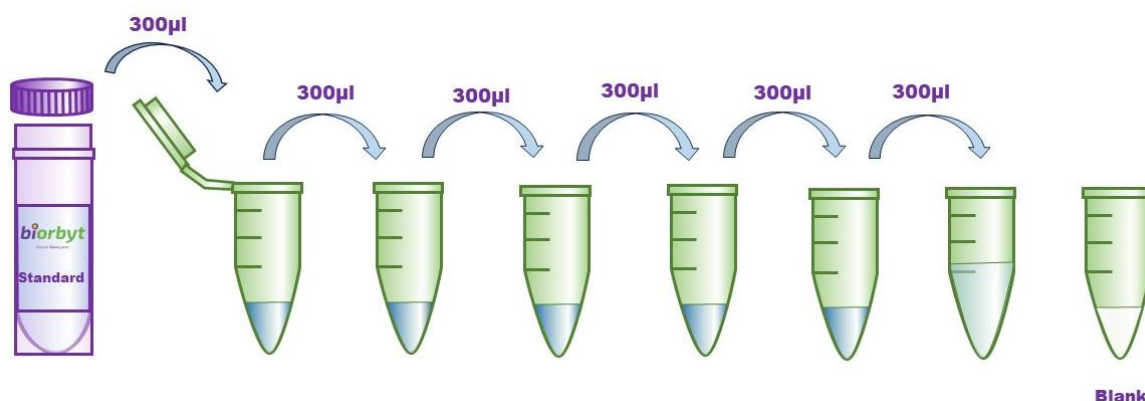
Dilute **30 mL** (or **15 mL** for 48T) of concentrated wash buffer with deionized or distilled water to a final volume of **750 mL** (or **375 mL** for 48T) and mix thoroughly. (Recommended resistivity of ultrapure water: **18 M $\Omega$** .) Alternatively, prepare a 25-fold dilution based on the volume required for your assay. Store unused diluted wash buffer at **2–8°C**.

If crystals are present in the concentrated wash buffer, warm in a **40°C** water bath until fully dissolved (do not exceed **50°C**). Use freshly prepared wash buffer the same day whenever possible. Any remaining diluted buffer should be used within **48 hours** when stored at **2–8°C**.

## 2. Standards

- 2.1 Centrifuge the standard tube for **1 minute at 10,000 × g** and label as the **Zero** tube.
- 2.2 Add **1.0 mL** sample dilution buffer to the standard tube. Cap tightly and allow to stand for **2 minutes** at room temperature. Invert gently several times to mix (or vortex at low speed for 3–5 seconds).
- 2.3 Centrifuge for **1 minute at 1,000 × g** to bring the liquid to the bottom of the tube and reduce bubbles.
- 2.4 Label seven tubes as 1/2, 1/4, 1/8, 1/16, 1/32, 1/64, and blank. Add **0.3 mL** of sample dilution buffer to each tube. Add **0.3 mL** of the Standard to the 1/2 tube and mix thoroughly. Transfer **0.3 mL** from the 1/2 tube to the 1/4 tube and mix well. Then transfer **0.3 mL** from the 1/4 tube to the 1/8 tube and mix thoroughly. Continue this serial dilution stepwise through the 1/64 tube. The blank tube should contain only **0.3 mL** of sample dilution buffer. The standard concentrations from Zero to blank are: **20ng/ml, 10ng/ml, 5ng/ml, 2.5ng/ml, 1.25ng/ml, 0.625ng/ml, 0.313ng/ml, 0ng/ml**.

**Note:** Store the reconstituted Zero tube at **2–8°C** and use within **12 hours**. Use diluted standard working solutions within **2 hours**.



## 3. Preparation of Biotin-labeled Antibody Working Solution

Prepare this working solution within **30 minutes** of use. Do not store for extended periods.

- 3.1 Calculate the required volume: **100 µL per well × number of wells** (prepare an extra **100–200 µL**).
- 3.2 Centrifuge the concentrated biotin-labeled antibody for **1 minute at 1,000 × g** to collect liquid at the bottom of the tube.
- 3.3 Dilute the biotinylated antibody **1:99** in antibody dilution buffer and mix thoroughly (e.g., 10 µL concentrated biotin-labeled antibody + 990 µL antibody dilution buffer).

## 4. Preparation of HRP-Streptavidin Conjugate (SABC) Working Solution

Prepare this working solution within **30 minutes** of use. Do not store for extended periods.

- 4.1 Calculate the required volume: **100 µL per well × number of wells** (prepare an extra **100–200 µL**).
- 4.2 Centrifuge the concentrated SABC for **1 minute at 1,000 × g** to collect liquid at the bottom of the tube.
- 4.3 Dilute the SABC **1:99** in SABC dilution buffer and mix thoroughly (e.g., 10 µL SABC + 990 µL dilution buffer).

### Assay Procedure

**Step 1:** Add 100ul standard or sample into each well, seal the plate and static incubate for 90 minutes at 37°C.

Washing: Wash the plate twice without immersion.

**Step 2:** Add 100ul biotin-labeled antibody working solution into each well, seal the plate and static incubate for 60 minutes at 37°C.

Washing: Wash the plate three times and immerse for 1min each time.

**Step 3:** Add 100ul SABC working solution into each well, seal the plate and static incubate for 30 minutes at 37°C.

Washing: Wash the plate five times and immerse for 1min each time.

**Step 4:** Add 90ul TMB substrate solution, seal the plate and static incubate for 10 -20 minutes at 37°C. (Accurate TMB visualization control is required.)

**Step 5:** Add 50ul stop solution. Read at 450nm immediately and calculate.

### Detailed Assay Procedure

Mix all samples and reagents thoroughly during preparation. It is recommended to generate a standard curve for each assay.

1. Set standard, pilot samples, control (blank) wells on the pre-coated plate respectively, and then, records their positions. It's recommended to measure each standard and sample in duplicate to decrease experimental errors.
2. Standards and samples loading: Aliquot 100ul of zero tube, 1<sup>st</sup> tube, 2<sup>nd</sup> tube, 3<sup>rd</sup> tube, 4<sup>th</sup> tube into each standard well. Also add 100ul sample dilution buffer into the control (blank) well. Then, add 100ul pilot samples into each sample well. Seal the plate and static incubate for 90 minutes at 37°C. (Add the solution to the bottom of each well. Mix gently and without touch the sidewall and foam the sample.)
3. Wash twice: Remove the cover, then absorb the liquid in the plate or tap the plate on a clean absorbent paper two or three times. Add 350ul wash buffer into each well without immersion. Discard the liquid in the well and tap on the absorbent paper again. Repeat the washing step twice.
4. Biotin-labeled Antibody: Add 100ul biotin-labeled antibody working solution into each well. Seal the plate and static incubate for 60 minutes at 37°C.
5. Wash three times: Remove the cover, then absorb the liquid in the plate or tap the plate on a clean absorbent paper two or three times. Add 350ul wash buffer into each well and immerse for 1min. Discard the liquid in the well and tap on the absorbent paper again. Repeat the washing step three times.
6. HRP-Streptavidin Conjugate (SABC): Add 100ul SABC working solution into each well. Seal the plate and static incubate for 30 minutes at 37°C. (Put the whole bottle of TMB into the 37°C incubator to equilibrate for 30min.)
7. Wash five times: Remove the cover and then wash the plate with wash buffer five times. Read washing method in step 5.
8. TMB Substrate: Add 90ul TMB Substrate into each well, seal the plate and static incubate at 37°C in dark within 10-20 minutes. Run the microplate reader and preheat for 15min.

(Notes: Please do not use the reagent reservoirs used by HRP couplings. The reaction time can be shortened or extended according to the actual color change, but not more than 30 minutes. You can

terminate the reaction when apparent gradient appeared in standard wells. Weaker or stronger color intensity is unacceptable.)

9. Stop: Keep the liquid in the well after staining. Add 50ul stop solution into each well. The color will turn yellow immediately. The order for adding stop solution and TMB substrate solution is the same.

10. OD Measurement: Read the O.D. absorbance at 450nm in a microplate reader immediately. (If your microplate reader has a choice of correction wavelength, set it to 570nm or 630nm. Correct the read value to the OD450 value minus the OD570 or OD630 value. In this way, the OD value of non-chromogenic substances can be corrected and removed, thus obtaining more accurate results. If the microplate reader does not have a 570nm or 630nm wavelength, the original OD450 value can be used.)

### Calculation of Results

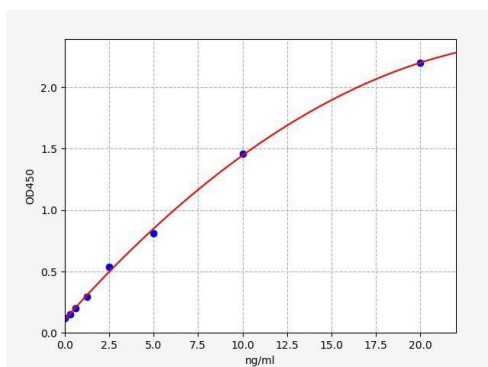
1. Calculate the mean OD450 value (using either the original or corrected OD450 values) from the duplicate readings for each standard, control, and sample. Then obtain the calculated value by subtracting the OD450 blank.
2. Create a four-parameter logistic curve by plotting the mean absorbance for each standard on the y-axis against the concentration on the x-axis. (Exclude the OD450 blank during plotting.) Alternatively, curve-fitting software provided with the microplate reader may be used (e.g., Thermo SkanIt RE software or Curve Expert 1.3 or 1.4).
3. Determine the sample concentration by substituting the OD450 value into the standard curve. For diluted samples, multiply the calculated value by the corresponding dilution factor.

### Typical Data & Standard Curve

This product has been tested by the Quality Control Department and meets the performance specifications described in this manual. (Laboratory humidity: 20%–60%; temperature: 18–25°C. TMB was equilibrated to 37°C before color development and incubated at 37°C for 15 minutes in the dark after addition.)

The following assay data are provided for reference only, as experimental conditions and technique may vary. Standard curve generation should be based on your assay conditions.

| STD.(ng/ml) | OD-1  | OD-2  | Average | Corrected |
|-------------|-------|-------|---------|-----------|
| 0           | 0.118 | 0.122 | 0.12    | 0         |
| 0.313       | 0.151 | 0.155 | 0.153   | 0.033     |
| 0.625       | 0.198 | 0.204 | 0.201   | 0.081     |
| 1.25        | 0.293 | 0.301 | 0.297   | 0.177     |
| 2.5         | 0.53  | 0.546 | 0.538   | 0.418     |
| 5           | 0.798 | 0.822 | 0.81    | 0.69      |
| 10          | 1.44  | 1.482 | 1.461   | 1.341     |
| 20          | 2.167 | 2.229 | 2.198   | 2.078     |



## Performance

### Precision

Intra-assay Precision: samples with low, medium and high concentration are tested 20 times on same plate.

Inter-assay Precision: samples with low, medium and high concentration are tested 20 times on three different plates.

| Item               | Intra-assay Precision |      |       | Inter-assay Precision |      |      |
|--------------------|-----------------------|------|-------|-----------------------|------|------|
|                    | 1                     | 2    | 3     | 1                     | 2    | 3    |
| Sample             | 1                     | 2    | 3     | 1                     | 2    | 3    |
| n                  | 20                    | 20   | 20    | 20                    | 20   | 20   |
| Mean (ng/ml)       | 0.66                  | 2.55 | 10.22 | 0.67                  | 2.39 | 9.76 |
| Standard deviation | 0.03                  | 0.13 | 0.51  | 0.03                  | 0.11 | 0.53 |
| CV(%)              | 4.69                  | 5.26 | 5.02  | 4.88                  | 4.68 | 5.43 |

### Recovery

Add a certain amount of PPIF into the sample. Calculate the recovery by comparing the measured value with the expected amount of PPIF in the sample.

| Matrix              | Recovery Range (%) | Average (%) |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Serum(n=5)          | 88-101             | 92          |
| EDTA Plasma(n=5)    | 88-102             | 96          |
| Heparin Plasma(n=5) | 88-100             | 96          |

### Linearity

Dilute the sample with a certain amount of PPIF at 1:2, 1:4 and 1:8 to get the recovery range.

| Sample     | 1:2     | 1:4     | 1:8     |
|------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Serum(n=5) | 85-105% | 84-100% | 84-100% |

|                     |         |        |        |
|---------------------|---------|--------|--------|
| EDTA Plasma(n=5)    | 90-105% | 86-99% | 85-96% |
| Heparin Plasma(n=5) | 91-104% | 82-98% | 80-87% |

### Stability

Perform the stability test for the sealed kit at 37°C and 2-8°C and get relevant data.

| ELISA kit(n=5) | 37°C for 1 month | 2-8°C for 6 months | 2-8°C for 12 months |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Average (%)    | 80               | 95-100             | 85-98               |

### ELISA Troubleshooting

#### High background/non-specific staining

| Description of results  | Possible reason   | Recommendations and precautions   |
|---|---|---|
| After stopping the reaction, the entire plate shows a uniform yellow or light color, or the standard curve is linear but the background signal is excessively high. | Yellowing of the entire plate may be caused by incorrect addition of reagents.  | Before starting the experiment, verify the components and lot numbers of all reagents to ensure they belong to the same kit. Reagents from different kits or different lot numbers must not be mixed. |
|   | The ELISA plate was not washed sufficiently.  | Ensure that the same volume of Wash Solution is added to each microwell during the washing process. After washing, firmly tap the ELISA plate on absorbent paper to remove any residual buffer.       |
|   | Incubation time was too long.   | Strictly follow the procedures outlined in the manual.  |
|   | Streptavidin-HRP contaminated the pipette tip or TMB container, or the positive control contaminated the pre-coated microplate. | Replace pipette tips when dispensing different reagents. Use separate containers when preparing different reagent components, and always use a pipette during handling.                               |
|   | The concentration of Biotinylated Antibody or Streptavidin-HRP was too high.  | Verify that concentration calculations are correct, or perform further dilution if necessary.   |
|   | The substrate was exposed to light or contaminated prior to use.  | Store reagents in the dark at all times prior to substrate addition.  |
|   | Color development time was too long.  | Strictly follow the procedures outlined in the manual.  |
|   | An incorrect filter was used when reading the absorbance value.   | When TMB is used as the substrate, measure absorbance at 450 nm.  |

### NO color plates

| Description of results  | Possible reason   | Recommendations and precautions   |
|---|---|---|
| After the color development step, all wells of the ELISA plate are colorless, and the positive control is not clearly detectable. s | Components from different reagent sets were mixed.  | Carefully read reagent labels when preparing or using them.   |
|   | During plate washing or sample/enzyme addition, the enzyme label was contaminated or inactivated, resulting in loss of its ability to catalyze color development. | Confirm that the container holding the ELISA plate does not contain enzyme inhibitors (such as NaN <sub>3</sub> ), and ensure that the container used to prepare the Wash Solution has been thoroughly cleaned. |
|   | A reagent or procedural step was omitted.   | Review the manual carefully and strictly follow the operating procedures.   |

### Light color

| Description of results  | Possible reason   | Recommendations and precautions   |
|---|---|---|
| The Standard appears normal, but the sample color is weak.                  | The sample contains NaN <sub>3</sub> preservative, which inhibits the enzyme reaction.  | Samples must not contain NaN <sub>3</sub> .   |
|   | The sample being tested may not contain strongly positive material, so the result may be normal.                                    | If there is any doubt about the results, repeat the assay.  |
| The visual result appears normal, but the microplate reader values are low. | An incorrect filter was used for absorbance measurement.  | When TMB is used as the substrate, absorbance should be measured at 450 nm.   |
| All wells, including Standards and Samples, show weak color development.    | Insufficient incubation time.   | Ensure accurate timing using a timer.   |
|   | Inadequate color development.   | Typically 15–30 minutes.  |
|   | Excessive washing, or the dilution ratio of the concentrated Wash Buffer does not meet requirements.                                | Minimize the impact of washing by diluting the concentrated Wash Buffer and setting the washing time according to the manual. Accurately record the number of washes and the volume used.   |
|   | Poor quality distilled water.   | The prepared Wash Buffer should be tested to confirm that the pH is neutral.  |
|   | During plate washing or sample addition, the enzyme label was contaminated or inactivated, resulting in loss of catalytic activity. | Confirm that the container holding the ELISA plate does not contain enzyme inhibitors (such as NaN <sub>3</sub> ), that the container used to prepare the Wash Buffer has been thoroughly cleaned, and that the purified water used meets the required standards and is not contaminated. |

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|   | The kit has expired or was improperly stored.  | Use the kit within its expiration date and store it according to the conditions recommended in the manual to avoid contamination.   |
|   | Reagents and samples were not equilibrated to room temperature before use.   | Allow all reagents and samples to equilibrate at room temperature for approximately 30 minutes before use.  |
|   | Insufficient pipetting volume, overly rapid dispensing, excessive liquid remaining on the inner wall of the tip, or unclean tip walls. | Calibrate the pipette properly. Ensure tips are compatible and fit securely, pipette at an appropriate speed, and fully dispense the liquid. Tips should have clean inner walls and be used only once |
| Poor repeatability.   | Incubation temperature was not properly controlled.  | Maintain a constant incubation temperature and avoid localized temperature extremes.  |
|   | Excess liquid remained on the inner wall of the wells during liquid addition.  | When adding liquids, dispense along the lower inner wall of the wells without touching the bottom.  |
|   | Reuse of consumables.  | Replace pipette tips when drawing different reagents, and use separate containers when preparing different reagent components.  |
|   | The bottom of the microwell is scratched or contaminated.  | Handle the plate carefully. Avoid touching the well bottoms and clean the bottom of the microplate to remove dirt or fingerprints.  |
|   |  | Perform technical replicates of the same sample three times, ensuring that at least two values are comparable.  |
| Cross-contamination during sample addition.                     | Minimize the risk of cross-contamination during sample addition.   |   |
| The color development across the plate is uneven and irregular. | Cross-contamination during manual plate washing.   | When washing plates manually, discard the first three washes immediately, then allow soaking during subsequent washes to reduce cross-contamination.  |
|   | Cross-contamination during plate tapping.  | Use appropriate absorbent paper when tapping the plate. Avoid introducing foreign material into the wells, and avoid tapping in the same position repeatedly to reduce cross-contamination.           |

| Description of results | Possible reason | Recommendations and precautions |
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| The color development of the plate is uneven and irregular | The liquid dispensing head of the plate washer is clogged, leading to improper liquid dispensing or excessive residual liquid after aspiration, which results in uneven and irregular color development across the plate. | Unclog the liquid dispensing head to ensure that each well is properly filled with wash solution during plate washing and that minimal residual liquid remains after aspiration. |
|  | Incomplete centrifugation of the sample, resulting in coagulation within the reaction wells or interference from sediment or residual cellular components.  | Serum and plasma samples should be fully centrifuged at 3000 rpm for more than 6 minutes.  |
|  | The sample was stored for an excessively long period, leading to contamination.   | Samples should be kept fresh or stored at low temperatures to prevent contamination.   |
|  | Incorrect preparation of the Wash Solution or direct use of the concentrated Wash Solution.   | Prepare all reagents strictly according to the manual.   |

### Declaration

1. Limited to current conditions and scientific techniques, all raw materials are not completely identified and analyzed. This product may have a technology-related quality risk.
2. During the ELISA kit development, some endogenous interferons (not all) in the biological sample have been removed or decreased.
3. The final assay result is related to the validity of reagents, experimental operation and environment. Biorbyt is only responsible for this kit, excluding sample consumption during using this kit. Before use, please consider and prepare enough samples required by the assay.
4. To get a satisfied assay result, please use all reagents offered by this kit. Don't use any product from other vendors. Strictly follow instructions of this manual.
5. During assay procedure, incorrect reagents preparation and parameter setting of the microplate reader may result in the abnormal result. Before assay, please read this manual carefully and adjust instruments.
6. Even if the assay is performed by the same person, results in two independent assays may be different. Thus, each step in the assay should be controlled to ensure the reproducibility.
7. Before delivery, this kit is subject to the strict QC. Influenced by transportation conditions and experimental devices, the assay result got by the customer may be different from original data. Inter-assay CV between different batches may be caused by reasons before.
8. This kit is not compared to similar kits from other vendors or methods for testing the same detection target. Thus, assay results may be inconsistent.
9. This kit allows for research use only. For IVD or other purposes, Biorbyt is not responsible for relevant consequences and doesn't bear any legal liability.

### Precautions for Kits

1. When using different ELISA kits, labelling is required to avoid mixed components and failed assay.
2. After opening the kit, please refer to the table of storage condition for coated plate and standards (Dampness may decrease the activity.). If any component is missing or damaged during the assay or storage, please contact us for ordering a new one to replace.
3. Sterile and disposable tips are required during the assay. After use, the reagents bottle cap has to be tightened to avoid the microbial contamination and evaporation.
4. While manual washing, please keep tips or pipettors for adding wash buffer away from the well. Insufficient washing or contamination easily causes false positive and high background.
5. During the assay, prepare required reagents for next step in advance. After washing, add the reagent into the well in time to avoid dryness. Otherwise, dry plate will result in the failed assay.
6. Before confirmation, reagents from other batches or sources should not be used in this kit.
7. Don't reuse tips and tubes to avoid cross contamination.
8. After loading, seal the plate to avoid the evaporation of the sample during incubation. Complete the incubation process at recommended temperature.
9. Wear the lab coat, mask and gloves to protect yourself during the assay. Especially, for the detection of blood or other body fluid samples, please follow regulations on safety protection of biological laboratory.