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# Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit

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## **Symbol Key**



Consult instructions for use.

# **Assay Summary**

Add 50 μl of Standard/ Sample per well. Incubate 2 hours.



Wash, then add 50 μl of Biotinylated Antibody per well. Incubate 1 hour.



Wash, then add 50 μl of SP Conjugate per well. Incubate 30 minutes.



Wash, then add 50 μl of Chromogen Substrate per well. Incubate 20 minutes.



Add 50 μl of Stop Solution per well. Read at 450 nm immediately.

# **Assay Template**

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# AssayMax Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit

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#### Introduction

Alpha-2-Macroglobulin is a major serum protein with diverse functions, including inhibition of protease activity and binding of growth factors, cytokines, and disease factors (1). Increased alpha-2-macroglobulin in serum has been suggested to be associated with multiple sclerosis (MS) (2), glomerular disease (3), and liver diseases (4). Mouse alpha-macroglobulin (Mouse AMG) is believed to be a functional homologue of human alpha-2-macroglobulin (Human alpha-2M).

#### **Principle of the Assay**

The AssayMax Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin ELISA (Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay) kit is designed for detection of mouse alphamacroglobulin in mouse plasma, serum, urine, and cell culture samples. This assay employs a quantitative sandwich enzyme immunoassay technique that measures mouse alpha-Macroglobulin in less than 4 hours. A polyclonal antibody specific for mouse alpha-Macroglobulin has been pre-coated onto a 96-well microplate with removable strips. Mouse alpha-macroglobulin in standards and samples is sandwiched by the immobilized antibody and a biotinylated polyclonal antibody specific for mouse alpha-macroglobulin, which is recognized by a streptavidin-peroxidase conjugate. All unbound material is then washed away and a peroxidase enzyme substrate is added. The color development is stopped and the intensity of the color is measured.

## **Caution and Warning**

- Prepare all reagents (working diluent buffer, wash buffer, standard, biotinylated antibody, and SP conjugate) as instructed, prior to running the assay.
- Prepare all samples prior to running the assay. The dilution factors for the samples are suggested in this protocol. However, the user should determine the optimal dilution factor.
- Spin down the SP conjugate vial and the biotinylated antibody vial before opening and using contents.
- This kit is for research use only.

- The kit should not be used beyond the expiration date.
- The Stop Solution is an acidic solution.

#### Reagents

- Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin Microplate: A 96-well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with a polyclonal antibody against mouse alpha-macroglobulin.
- **Sealing Tapes:** Each kit contains 3 precut, pressure sensitive sealing tapes that can be cut to fit the format of the individual assay.
- Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin Standard: Mouse alpha-macroglobulin in a buffered protein base (100 ng, lyophilized).
- **Biotinylated Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin Antibody (50x):** A 50-fold concentrated biotinylated polyclonal antibody against mouse alphamacroglobulin (140 µl).
- MIX Diluent Concentrate (10x): A 10-fold concentrated buffered protein base (30 ml).
- Wash Buffer Concentrate (20x): A 20-fold concentrated buffered surfactant (30 ml, 2 bottles).
- Streptavidin-Peroxidase Conjugate (SP Conjugate): A 100-fold concentrate (80 µl).
- **Chromogen Substrate**: A ready-to-use stabilized peroxidase chromogen substrate tetramethylbenzidine (8 ml).
- **Stop Solution**: A 0.5 N hydrochloric acid to stop the chromogen substrate reaction (12 ml).

#### **Storage Condition**

- Upon arrival, immediately store components of the kit at recommended temperatures up to the expiration date.
- Store SP Conjugate and Biotinylated Antibody at -20°C.
- Store Microplate, Diluent Concentrate (10x), Wash Buffer, Stop Solution, and Chromogen Substrate at 2-8°C.
- Unused microplate wells may be returned to the foil pouch with the desiccant packs and resealed. May be stored for up to 30 days in a vacuum desiccator.
- Diluent (1x) may be stored for up to 30 days at 2-8°C.
- Store Standard at 2-8°C before reconstituting with Diluent and at -20°C after reconstituting with Diluent.

# **Other Supplies Required**

- Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm.
- Pipettes (1-20 μl, 20-200 μl, 200-1000 μl, and multiple channel).

• Deionized or distilled reagent grade water.

#### Sample Collection, Preparation and Storage

- **Cell Culture Supernatants:** Centrifuge cell culture media at 3000 x g for 10 minutes to remove debris. Collect supernatants and assay. Store the remaining samples at -20°C or below. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- **Plasma:** Collect plasma using one-tenth volume of 0.1 M sodium citrate as an anticoagulant. Centrifuge samples at 3000 x g for 10 minutes and use supernatants. Dilute samples 1:50000 or within the range of 20000x 200000x into MIX Diluent, and assay. The undiluted samples can be stored at -20°C or below for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles (EDTA or Heparin can also be used as an anticoagulant).
- **Serum:** Samples should be collected into a serum separator tube. After clot formation, centrifuge samples at 3000 x g for 10 minutes, and remove serum. Dilute samples 1:50000 or within the range of 20000x 200000x into MIX Diluent, and assay. The undiluted samples can be stored at -20°C or below for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- **Urine:** Collect urine using sample pot. Centrifuge samples at 800 x g for 10 minutes. Dilute samples 1:100 or within the range of 5x 500x into MIX Diluent, and assay. The undiluted samples can be stored at -20°C or below for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

#### **Reagent Preparation**

- Freshly dilute all reagents and bring all reagents to room temperature before use.
- MIX Diluent Concentrate (10x): If crystals have formed in the concentrate, mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved.
   Dilute MIX Diluent Concentrate 1:10 with reagent grade water. Store for up to 30 days at 2-8°C.
- Standard Curve: Reconstitute the 100 ng of Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin Standard with 1 ml of MIX Diluent to generate a 100 ng/ml standard solution. Allow the standard to sit for 10 minutes with gentle agitation prior to making dilutions. Prepare duplicate or triplicate standard points by serially diluting the standard solution (100 ng/ml) 1:4 with MIX Diluent to produce 25, 6.25, 1.56, and 0.313 ng/ml solutions. MIX Diluent serves as the zero standard (0 ng/ml). Any remaining solution should be frozen at -20°C and used within 30 days.

Standard Point	Dilution	[Mouse AMG] (ng/ml)
P1	Standard (100 ng/ml)	100.0
P2	1 part P1 + 3 parts MIX Diluent	25.00
Р3	1 part P2 + 3 parts MIX Diluent	6.250
P4	1 part P3 + 3 parts MIX Diluent	1.562
P5	1 part P4 + 3 parts MIX Diluent	0.313
P6	MIX Diluent	0.000

- **Biotinylated Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin Antibody (50x):** Spin down the antibody briefly and dilute the desired amount of the antibody 1:50 with MIX Diluent. Any remaining solution should be frozen at -20°C.
- Wash Buffer Concentrate (20x): If crystals have formed in the concentrate, mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved. Dilute Wash Buffer Concentrate 1:20 with reagent grade water.
- **SP Conjugate (100x):** Spin down the SP Conjugate briefly and dilute the desired amount of the conjugate 1:100 with MIX Diluent. Any remaining solution should be frozen at -20°C.

#### **Assay Procedure**

- Prepare all reagents, standard solutions, and samples as instructed. Bring all reagents to room temperature before use. The assay is performed at room temperature (20-25°C).
- Remove excess microplate strips from the plate frame and return them immediately to the foil pouch with desiccants inside. Reseal the pouch securely to minimize exposure to water vapor and store in a vacuum desiccator.
- Add 50  $\mu$ l of Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin Standard or sample per well. Cover wells with a sealing tape and incubate for 2 hours. Start the timer after the last addition.
- Wash five times with 200 μl of Wash Buffer manually. Invert the plate each time and decant the contents; hit 4-5 times on absorbent material to completely remove the liquid. If using a machine, wash six times with 300 μl of Wash Buffer and then invert the plate, decanting the contents; hit 4-5 times on absorbent material to completely remove the liquid.
- Add 50  $\mu$ l of Biotinylated Mouse alpha-Macroglobulin Antibody to each well and incubate for 1 hour.
- Wash the microplate as described above.
- Add 50  $\mu$ l of Streptavidin-Peroxidase Conjugate per well and incubate for 30 minutes. Turn on the microplate reader and set up the program in advance.
- Wash the microplate as described above.

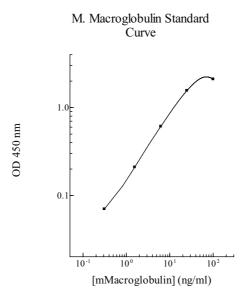
- Add 50  $\mu$ l of Chromogen Substrate per well and incubate for 20 minutes or till the optimal blue color density develops. Gently tap the plate to ensure thorough mixing and break the bubbles in the well with pipette tip.
- Add 50  $\mu$ l of Stop Solution to each well. The color will change from blue to vellow.
- Read the absorbance on a microplate reader at a wavelength of 450 nm immediately. If wavelength correction is available, subtract readings at 570 nm from those at 450 nm to correct optical imperfections. Otherwise, read the plate at 450 nm only. Please note that some unstable black particles may be generated at high concentration points after stopping the reaction for about 10 minutes, which will reduce the readings.

#### **Data Analysis**

- Calculate the mean value of the duplicate or triplicate readings for each standard and sample.
- To generate a standard curve, plot the graph using the standard concentrations on the x-axis and the corresponding mean 450 nm absorbance on the y-axis. The best-fit line can be determined by regression analysis using log-log or four-parameter logistic curve-fit.
- Determine the unknown sample concentration from the Standard Curve and multiply the dilution factor.

#### **Standard Curve**

• The curve is provided for illustration only. A standard curve should be generated each time the assay is performed.



#### **Performance Characteristics**

- The minimum detectable level of mouse alpha-Macroglobulin is typically ~ 0.3 ng/ml.
- Intra-assay and inter-assay coefficients of variation were 5.0% and 7.1% respectively.

# Linearity

	Average Percentage of Expected Value	
Sample Dilution	Urine	
1:50	91%	
1:100	98%	
1:200	109%	

	Average Percentage of Expected Value		
Sample Dilution	Plasma	Serum	
1:20000	94%	93%	
1:50000	98%	97%	
1:200000	106%	107%	

### **Recovery**

Standard Added Value	1.0 – 25 ng/ml		
Recovery %	82 – 115%		
Average Recovery %	97%		

# **Cross-Reactivity**

Species	% Cross Reactivity
Canine	None
Monkey	None
Human	None
Rat	<10%
Swine	None
Rabbit	None
Mouse	100%

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#### **Related Products**

- EM2115-1 AssayMax Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit (Plasma and Serum samples)
- EM1115-1 AssayMax Human alpha-2-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit (Milk, Saliva, and Cell Culture samples)
- ERM1115-1 AssayMax Rat alpha-Macroglobulin ELISA Kit (Plasma, Serum, Urine, and Cell Culture samples)