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# **Monkey Anti-KLH IgG ELISA**

**For the quantitative determination of anti-KLH IgG in monkey serum and plasma**

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**INTRODUCTION**

Drug candidates are routinely screened for evidence of immune system regulation during the discovery process. It is important that the immune response is not enhanced or diminished since such effects may lead to hypersensitivity or increased susceptibility to infection. Determination of a drug candidate's effects on anti-KLH antibody levels allows easy assessment of immune system regulation. Animals are immunized with KLH while undergoing drug treatment and serum is collected at appropriate times post immunization. Typically, serum collected 5-7 days after immunization is used for measurement of anti-KLH IgM levels, and serum collected 14+ days post immunization is used to measure anti-KLH IgG levels. Comparison of anti-KLH IgG or IgM levels in drug treated, versus control groups reveals effects on the immune response.

**PRINCIPLE**

The monkey anti-KLH IgG ELISA is a solid phase enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA). It uses KLH for solid phase (microtiter wells) immobilization and a horseradish peroxidase (HRP) conjugated goat anti-monkey IgG Fc antibody for detection. Serum or plasma samples are diluted and incubated in the microtiter wells for 45 minutes. The microtiter wells are subsequently washed and HRP conjugate is added and incubated for 45 minutes. Anti-KLH IgG molecules are thus sandwiched between immobilized KLH and the detection antibody conjugate. The wells are then washed to remove unbound HRP-labeled antibodies and TMB Reagent is added and incubated for 20 minutes at room temperature. This results in the development of a blue color. Color development is stopped by the addition of Stop Solution, changing the color to yellow, and optical density is measured spectrophotometrically at 450 nm. The concentration of anti-KLH IgG is proportional to the optical density.

**COMPONENTS**

- KLH coated 96-well plate (provided as 12 strips of 8 wells)
- Anti Monkey IgG HRP Conjugate, 11 mL
- Anti-KLH IgG Calibrator Stock (lyophilized)
- 20x Wash Solution, 50 mL
- Diluent, 50 mL
- TMB Reagent (One-Step), 11 mL
- Stop Solution (1N HCl), 11 mL

**MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED**

- Precision pipettors and tips
- Distilled or deionized water
- Polypropylene or glass tubes
- Vortex mixer
- Absorbent paper or paper towels
- Micro-plate incubator/shaker mixing speed of ~150 rpm
- Plate washer
- Plate reader with an optical density range of 0-4 at 450 nm
- Graph paper (PC graphing software is optional)

**STORAGE**

The test kit should be stored at 4°C and the microtiter plate should be kept in a sealed bag with desiccant to minimize exposure to damp air. Kits will remain stable until the expiration date shown on the box label.

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Please read the instructions thoroughly before using the kit.
2. All reagents should be allowed to reach room temperature (18- 25°C) before use.
3. The optimal sample dilution should be determined empirically. Do not use dilutions less than 100 fold (i.e., do not use dilutions of 50 fold).
4. Optimum results are achieved if, at each step, reagents are pipetted into the wells of the microtiter plate within 5 minutes.

## WASH SOLUTION PREPARATION

The wash solution is provided as a 20X stock. Prior to use, dilute the contents of the bottle (50 mL) with 950 mL of distilled or de-ionized water.

## CALIBRATOR PREPARATION

1. The anti-KLH IgG calibrator stock is provided in lyophilized form. Reconstitute as directed on the vial label (the reconstituted calibrator should be aliquoted and frozen at -20°C after reconstitution if additional use is intended).
2. Label 6 polypropylene or glass tubes as 30, 15, 7.5, 3.75, 1.88, and 0.938 ng/mL.
3. Into the tube labeled 30 ng/mL, pipette the volume of diluent detailed on the stock vial label. Then add the indicated volume of anti-KLH IgG calibrator stock (also detailed on the vial label) and mix gently. This provides the 30 ng/mL calibrator.
4. Dispense 250 mL of diluent into the tubes labeled 15, 7.5, 3.75, 1.88, and 0.938 ng/mL.
5. Prepare a 15 ng/mL calibrator by diluting and mixing 250 mL of the 30 ng/mL calibrator with 250 mL of diluent in the tube labeled 15 ng/mL.
6. Similarly prepare the 7.5, 3.75, 1.88, and 0.938 ng/mL calibrators by serial dilution.

## SAMPLE PREPARATION

The optimal sample dilution should be determined empirically. However, studies suggest that a 10,000 fold dilution is a reasonable starting point. A 10,000 fold sample dilution may be achieved using the following procedure:

1. Dispense 495  $\mu$ L and 297  $\mu$ L of diluent into separate tubes.
2. Pipette and mix 5  $\mu$ L of the serum/plasma sample into the tube containing 495  $\mu$ L of diluent. This provides a 100 fold diluted sample.
3. Mix 3  $\mu$ L of the 100 fold diluted sample with 297  $\mu$ L of diluent in the second tube. This provides a 10,000 fold dilution of the sample.
4. Repeat this procedure for each sample to be tested.

## ASSAY PROCEDURE

1. Secure the desired number of coated wells in the holder.
2. Dispense 100  $\mu$ L of calibrators and diluted samples into the wells (we recommend that samples be tested in duplicate).
3. Incubate on an orbital micro-plate shaker at 100-150 rpm at room temperature (18-25°C) for 45 minutes.
4. Aspirate the contents of the microtiter wells and wash the wells 5 times with 1x wash solution using a plate washer (400  $\mu$ L/well). The entire wash procedure should be performed as quickly as possible.
5. Strike the wells sharply onto absorbent paper or paper towels to remove all residual wash buffer.
6. Add 100  $\mu$ L of HRP conjugate into each well.
7. Incubate on an orbital micro-plate shaker at 100-150 rpm at room temperature (18-25°C) for 45 minutes.
8. Wash as detailed in 4 to 5 above.
9. Dispense 100  $\mu$ L of TMB Reagent into each well.
10. Gently mix on an orbital micro-plate shaker at 100-150 rpm at room temperature (18-25°C) for 20 minutes.
11. Stop the reaction by adding 100  $\mu$ L of Stop Solution to each well.
12. Gently mix. It is important to make sure that all the blue color changes to yellow.
13. Read the optical density at 450 nm with a microtiter plate reader within 5 minutes.

## CALCULATION OF RESULTS

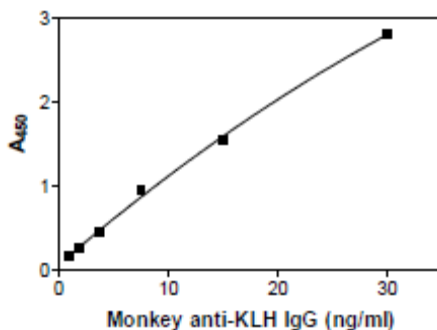
1. Calculate the average absorbance values ( $A_{450}$ ) for each set of reference calibrators and samples.
2. Construct a calibration curve by plotting the mean absorbance obtained from each reference calibrator against its concentration in ng/mL on linear graph paper, with absorbance values on the vertical or Y-axis and concentrations on the horizontal or X-axis.
3. Using the mean absorbance value for each sample, determine the corresponding concentration of anti-KLH IgG in ng/mL from the calibration curve.
4. Multiply the derived concentrations by the dilution factor to determine the actual concentration of anti-KLH IgG in the serum/plasma sample.
5. PC graphing software may be used for the above steps.
6. If the  $OD_{450}$  values of samples fall outside the calibration curve, samples should be diluted appropriately and re-tested.

## TYPICAL CALIBRATION CURVE

A typical calibration curve with optical density readings at 450 nm on the Y-axis against anti-KLH IgG concentrations on the

X-axis is shown below. This curve is for the purpose of illustration only and should not be used to calculate unknowns. Each user should obtain his or her data and calibration curve in each experiment.

Anti-KLH IgG (ng/ml)	$A_{450}$
30	2.807
15	1.546
7.5	0.948
3.75	0.449
1.88	0.265
0.94	0.166



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