

9. Remove any drops of water and fingerprints on the bottom of the plate and confirm there are no bubbles on the surface of the liquid. Run the microplate reader and take measurements at 450nm immediately.

Note:

1. **Assay preparation:** Keep appropriate numbers of wells for each experiment and remove extra wells from microplate. Remaining wells should be resealed and stored at 4°C.
2. **Samples or reagents addition: Please use the freshly prepared Standard.** Carefully add samples to wells and mix gently to avoid foaming. Do not touch the well walls. For each step in the procedure, total dispensing time for addition of reagents or samples to the assay plate should not exceed 10 minutes. This will ensure equal elapsed time for each pipetting step, without interruption. Duplication of all standards and specimens, although not required, is recommended. To avoid cross-contamination, change pipette tips between additions of standards, samples, and reagents. In addition, use separated reservoirs for each reagent.
3. **Incubation:** To ensure accurate results, proper adhesion of plate sealers during incubation steps is necessary. Do not allow wells to sit uncovered for extended periods in between incubation steps. Once reagents are added to the well strips, DO NOT let the strips dry at any time during the assay. Incubation time and temperature must be controlled.
4. **Washing:** The wash procedure is critical. Complete removal of liquid at each step is essential for good performance. After the last wash, remove any remaining Wash Solution by aspirating or decanting, and remove any drops of water or fingerprints on the bottom of the plate. Insufficient washing will result in poor precision and false elevated absorbance reading.
5. **Controlling of reaction time:** Observe the change of color after

adding **TMB Substrate** (e.g. observation once every 10 minutes), if the color is too deep, add Stop Solution in advance to avoid excessively strong reaction which will result in an inaccurate absorbance reading.

6. **TMB Substrate** is easily contaminated. Please protect it from light.
7. The environment humidity may have an effect on the results obtained from the kit. If the humidity in your facility is less than 60%, using a humidifier is recommended.

TEST PRINCIPLE

The microtiter plate provided in this kit has been pre-coated with an antibody specific to PTPN1. Standards or samples are then added to the appropriate microtiter plate wells with a biotin-conjugated antibody preparation specific to PTPN1. Next, Avidin conjugated to Horseradish Peroxidase (HRP) is added to each microplate well and incubated. After TMB substrate solution is added, only those wells that contain PTPN1, biotin-conjugated antibody and enzyme-conjugated Avidin will exhibit a change in color. The enzyme-substrate reaction is terminated by the addition of sulphuric acid solution and the color change is measured spectrophotometrically at a wavelength of $450\text{nm} \pm 10\text{nm}$. The concentration of PTPN1 in the samples is then determined by comparing the O.D. of the samples to the standard curve.

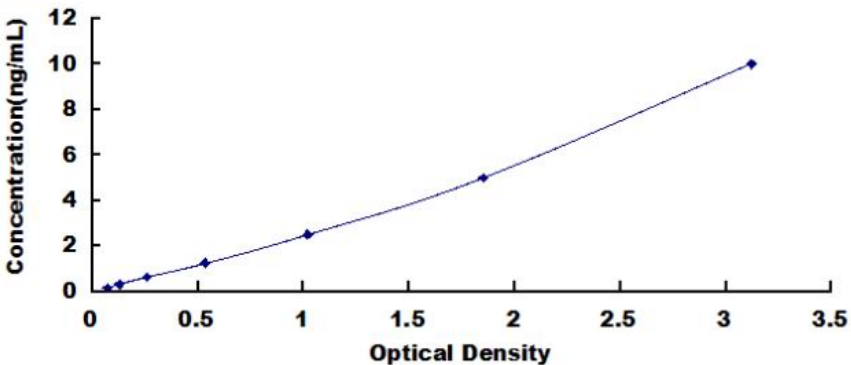
CALCULATION OF RESULTS

Average the duplicate readings for each standard, control and sample, then subtract the average zero standard optical density. Construct a standard curve by plotting the mean O.D. and concentration for each standard and draw a best fit curve through the points on the graph or

create a standard curve on log-log graph paper with PTPN1 concentration on the y-axis and absorbance on the x-axis. Using plotting software, (for instance, curve expert 1.30), is also recommended. If samples have been diluted, the concentration read from the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor.

TYPICAL DATA

In order to make the calculation easier, we plot the O.D. value of the standard (X-axis) against the known concentration of the standard (Y-axis), although concentration is the independent variable and O.D. value is the dependent variable. However, the O.D. values of the standard curve may vary according to the conditions of assay performance (e.g. operator, pipetting technique, washing technique or temperature effects), plotting the log of the data to establish a standard curve for each test is recommended. The typical standard curve below is provided for reference only.



Typical Standard Curve for Human PTPN1 ELISA.

DETECTION RANGE

0.156-10ng/mL. The standard curve concentrations used for the ELISA's

were 10ng/mL, 5ng/mL, 2.5ng/mL, 1.25ng/mL, 0.625ng/mL, 0.312ng/mL, 0.156ng/mL.

SENSITIVITY

The minimum detectable dose of PTPN1 is typically less than 0.054ng/mL. The sensitivity of this assay, or Lower Limit of Detection (LLD) was defined as the lowest protein concentration that could be differentiated from zero. It was determined by adding two standard deviations to the mean optical density value of twenty zero standard replicates and calculating the corresponding concentration.

SPECIFICITY

This assay has high sensitivity and excellent specificity for detection of PTPN1.

No significant cross-reactivity or interference between PTPN1 and analogues was observed.

Note:

Limited by current skills and knowledge, it is impossible to perform all possible cross-reactivity detection tests between PTPN1 and all analogues, therefore, cross reactivity may still exist.

PRECISION

Intra-assay Precision (Precision within an assay): 3 samples with low, middle and high level PTPN1 were tested 20 times on one plate, respectively.

Inter-assay Precision (Precision between assays): 3 samples with low,

middle and high level PTPN1 were tested on 3 different plates, 8 replicates in each plate.

$$CV(\%) = SD/\text{mean} \times 100$$

Intra-Assay: $CV < 10\%$

Inter-Assay: $CV < 12\%$

STABILITY

The stability of ELISA kit is determined by the loss rate of activity. The loss rate of this kit is less than 5% within the expiration date under appropriate storage conditions.

Note:

To minimize unnecessary influences on the performance, operation procedures and lab conditions, especially room temperature, air humidity, and incubator temperatures should be strictly regulated. It is also strongly suggested that the whole assay is performed by the same experimenter from the beginning to the end.

ASSAY PROCEDURE SUMMARY

1. Prepare all reagents, samples and standards;
2. Add 100 μ L standard or sample to each well. Incubate 90 minutes at 37°C;
3. Aspirate and add 100 μ L Detection Solution A. Incubate 45 minutes at 37°C;
4. Aspirate and wash 3 times;
5. Add 100 μ L Detection Solution B. Incubate 45 minutes at 37°C;
6. Aspirate and wash 5 times;
7. Add 90 μ L Substrate Solution. Incubate 15-25 minutes at 37°C;
8. Add 50 μ L Stop Solution. Read at 450nm immediately.

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Limited by the current conditions and scientific technology, it is impossible to conduct comprehensive identification and analysis tests on the raw materials provided by suppliers. As a result, it is possible there are some qualitative and/or technical risks.
2. The final experimental results will be closely related to the validity of the products, operation skills of the end users and the experimental environments. Please make sure that sufficient samples are available to obtain accurate results.
3. Kits from different batches may be a little different in detection range, sensitivity and color developing time. Please perform the experiment exactly according to the instruction manual included in your kit. Electronic ones on our website are for reference only.
4. Do not mix or substitute reagents from one kit lot to another. Use only the reagents supplied by manufacturer.
5. Protect all reagents from strong light during storage and incubation. All bottle caps of reagents should be closed tightly to prevent evaporation of liquids and contamination by microorganisms.
6. There may be a foggy substance in the wells when the plate is opened at the first time. It will not have any effect on the final assay results. Do not remove microtiter plate from the storage bag until needed.
7. Incorrect procedures during reagent preparation and loading, as well as incorrect parameter setting for the plate reader may lead to incorrect results. A microplate plate reader with a bandwidth of 10nm or less and an optical density range of 0-3 O.D. or greater at $450 \pm 10\text{nm}$ wavelength is acceptable for use in absorbance measurement. Please read the instruction carefully and adjust the instrument prior to the

experiment.

8. Even the same experimenter may get different results from two separate experiments. In order to get better reproducible results, the operation of every step in the assay should be controlled. Furthermore, a preliminary experiment before the general assay for each batch is recommended.
9. Each kit has undergone several rigorous quality control tests. However, results from end users might be inconsistent with our in-house data due to some unexpected transportation conditions or different lab equipment. Intra-assay variance among kits from different batches could arise from the above factors as well.
10. Kits from different manufacturers with the same item might produce different results, since we have not compared our products with other manufacturers.
11. The standard in this kit, as well as the antigens used in antibody preparation are typically recombinant proteins. Differently expressed sequences, expression systems, and/or purification methods can be used in the preparation of recombinant proteins. There is also the possibility of differences in the screening technique of antibodies and antibody pairs in our kits. As a result, we cannot guarantee that our kit will be able to detect recombinant proteins produced by other companies. We do NOT recommend using our ELISA kits for the detection of other recombinant proteins.
12. Validity period: 12 months.
13. The instruction manual also works with the 48T kit, but all reagents in the 48T kit are reduced by half.

PRECAUTION

The Stop Solution suggested for use with this kit is an acid solution. Wear



eye, hand, face, and clothing protection when using this reagent.