

TSLP[Biotinylated]:IL-7R α & TSLP R Inhibitor Screening ELISA Kit

Pack Size: 96 tests

Catalog Number: EP-129

IMPORTANT: Please carefully read this manual before performing your experiment.

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INTENDED USE

The kit is useful for screening for inhibitors of human TSLP binding to human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R.

It is intended for research use only (RUO).

PRINCIPLE OF THE ASSAY

Thymic stromal lymphopoietin (TSLP) exerts its biological effects by binding to a high-affinity heteromeric complex composed of thymic stromal lymphopoietin receptor chain and IL-7R α . The formation of the ternary complex, TSLP: TSLP: IL-7R α , initiates signaling in cells co-expressing TSLP R and IL-7R α . TSLP has been implicated in a variety of allergic diseases (e.g., atopic dermatitis, bronchial asthma, eosinophilic esophagitis). Therefore, inhibition of TSLP interaction with TSLP receptor complex has been considered a promising strategy to blocks thymic stromal lymphopoietin (TSLP) function and prevents the overreactive immune response to allergic, eosinophilic and other types of airway inflammation associated with severe asthma.

This inhibitor screening ELISA pair is designed to facilitate the identification and characterization of new TSLP pathway inhibitors. This assay employs a simple colorimetric ELISA platform, which measures the binding between immobilized human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R and in-house developed biotinylated TSLP protein. This product is uniquely suitable for rapid high-throughput screening of putative TSLP and IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R inhibitors.

Briefly, we provide you with a human TSLP-Biotin protein, a human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R protein, an anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody (as method verified Std.), and Streptavidin-HRP reagent. Your experiment will include 4 simple steps:

- 1) Coat the plate with human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R.
- 2) Add your molecule of interest to the tests.
- 3) Add human TSLP-Biotin to bind the coated human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R.
- 4) Add Streptavidin-HRP followed by TMB or other colorimetric HRP substrate.

Finally, the ability of your compound to inhibit TSLP: IL-7R α & TSLP R binding will be determined by comparing OD readings among different experimental groups.

MATERIALS PROVIDED

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Catalog	Components	Size (96 tests)	Format	Storage	
				Unopened	Opened
EP129-C01	High-bind Plate	1 plate	Solid	2-8°C	2-8°C
EP129-C02	Human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R	25 µg	Powder	2-8°C	-70°C
EP129-C03	Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody	20 µg	Powder	2-8°C	-70°C
EP129-C04	Human TSLP-Biotin	10 µg	Powder	2-8°C	-70°C
EP129-C05	Streptavidin-HRP	10 µg	Powder	2-8°C, avoid light	-70°C, avoid light
EP129-C06	Coating Buffer	12 mL	Liquid	2-8°C	2-8°C
EP129-C07	10xWashing Buffer	50 mL	Liquid	2-8°C	2-8°C
EP129-C08	Blocking Buffer	50 mL	Liquid	2-8°C	2-8°C
EP129-C09	Substrate Solution	12 mL	Liquid	2-8°C, avoid light	2-8°C, avoid light
EP129-C10	Stop Solution	7 mL	Liquid	2-8°C	2-8°C

REAGENTS/EQUIPMENT NEEDED BUT NOT SUPPLIED

Single or dual wavelength microplate reader with 450 nm and 630 nm filter;

Centrifuge;

37 °C Incubator;

Single channel or multichannel pipettes with 10 µL, 200 µL and 1000 µL precision;

10 µL, 200 µL and 1000 µL pipette tips;

Test Tubes;

Graduated cylinder;

Deionized or distilled water for dilution;

STORAGE AND VALIDITY INSTRUCTIONS

The unopened kit is stable for 12 months from the date of manufacture if stored at 2°C to 8°C.

The opened kit should be stored per TABLE 1. The shelf life is 30 days from the date of opening.

Note: a. Do not use reagents past their expiration date.

b. Find the expiration date on the outside packaging.

REAGENT PREPARATION

1. Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature (20°C-25°C) before use.
2. Reconstitute the provided lyophilized materials to stock solutions with water as recommended in Tab.2, Solubilize for 15 to 30 minutes at room temperature with occasional gentle mixing. Avoid vigorous shaking or vortexing. The reconstituted stock solutions should be stored at -70°C. **Avoid freeze-thaw cycles.**

Note: Streptavidin-HRP stock solution should be protected from light.

TABLE 2. RECONSTITUTION METHODS FOR 96 TESTS

Catalog	Components	Amount	Stock Solution Con.	Reconstitution Buffer and
EP129-C02	Human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R	25 µg	250 µg/mL	100 µL, water
EP129-C03	Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody	20 µg	200 µg/mL	100 µL, water
EP129-C04	Human TSLP-Biotin	10 µg	50 µg/mL	200 µL, water
EP129-C05	Streptavidin-HRP	10 µg	50 µg/mL	200 µL, water

RECOMMENDED PROTOCOL

1. Working fluid preparation

1.1 Preparation of 1×Washing Buffer:

Dilute 50 mL 10×Washing Buffer with ultrapure water/deionized water to 500 mL.

1.2 Preparation of Dilution Buffer:

Dilute **Blocking Buffer (EP129-C08)** at 1:3 with **1×Washing Buffer**. For example: 10 mL **Blocking Buffer (EP129-C08)** add 30 mL **1×Washing Buffer**.

2. Coating

- 1) Dilute **Human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R** stock solution (250 µg/mL) to 1 µg/mL with **Coating Buffer** to make **Human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R** working solution.
- 2) Please leave a couple of wells uncoated for **No-Coating Control (Tab. 3)**.
- 3) Add 100 µL of **Human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R** working solution (1 µg/mL) to each well, seal the plate with microplate sealing film and incubate overnight (or 15 hours) at 4°C.

3. Washing

Remove the remaining solution by aspiration, add 300 μ L of **1 \times Washing Buffer** to each well, gently tap the plate for 1 minute, remove any remaining **1 \times Washing Buffer** by aspirating or decanting, invert the plate and blot it against paper towels. **Repeat the wash step above for three times.**

*Note: For best results, the complete removal of the **Human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R** solution is essential. The use of a manifold dispenser or an auto-washer may be necessary.*

4. Blocking

Add 300 μ L **Blocking Buffer** to each well, seal the plate with microplate sealing film and incubate at 37°C for 1.5 hours.

5. Washing

Repeat step 3. At meantime, you can start to prepare your samples.

6. Add Samples

- 1) Dilute biotinylated human TSLP stock solution (50 μ g/mL) to 0.0035 μ g/mL with Dilution Buffer to make biotinylated human TSLP working solution.
- 2) Make series dilution of the samples as appropriate, then mixed with same volume biotinylated human TSLP working solution (For example: 110 μ L biotinylated human TSLP working solution + 110 μ L diluted samples).
- 3) If you intend to use the provided Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody as a reference (Std.), you may dilute the Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody as recommended in Figure 1, then mixed with same volume biotinylated human TSLP working solution (For example: 110 μ L biotinylated human TSLP working solution + 110 μ L diluted Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody).
- 4) For Positive Control wells, please mix 110 μ L biotinylated human TSLP working solution and 110 μ L Dilution Buffer.
- 5) Add 100 μ L mixer to the wells according to our recommendation (Figure 2) or your own plate setup. Seal the plate with microplate sealing film and incubate at 37°C for 1 hour.

Note: The working solution should be prepared immediately before use and should not be stored.

FIG.1 PREPARATION OF 1:1 SERIAL DILUTIONS OF THE Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody

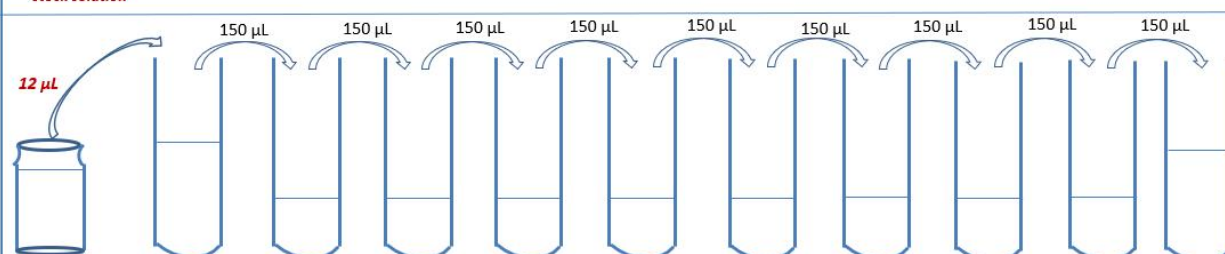
Tubes/ Solution Code	Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody stock solution	Std.-1	Std.-2	Std.-3	Std.-4	Std.-5	Std.-6	Std.-7	Std.-8	Std.-9	Std.-10
Operating		150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL
Solution Con.	200 µg/mL	8 µg/mL	4 µg/mL	2 µg/mL	1 µg/mL	0.5 µg/mL	0.25 µg/mL	0.125 µg/mL	0.0625 µg/mL	0.0313 µg/mL	0.0156 µg/mL
Dilution Buffer Vol.		288 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL	150 µL

FIG.2 PLATE LAYOUT

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Std.-8	Std.-8	Std.-9	Std.-9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
B	Std.-7	Std.-7	Std.-10	Std.-10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C	Std.-6	Std.-6	Positive Ctrl.	Positive Ctrl.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
D	Std.-5	Std.-5	No- binding Ctrl.	No- binding Ctrl.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E	Std.-4	Std.-4	No- coating Ctrl.	No- coating Ctrl.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
F	Std.-3	Std.-3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
G	Std.-2	Std.-2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H	Std.-1	Std.-1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

7. Washing

Repeat step 3.

8. Add Streptavidin-HRP

1) Dilute **Streptavidin-HRP** stock solution (50 µg/mL) to 0.1 µg/mL with **Dilution Buffer** to make

Streptavidin-HRP working solution.

- 2) For all wells, add 100 μ L **Streptavidin-HRP** working solution, seal the plate with microplate sealing film and incubate at 37°C for 1 hour, **avoid light**.

9. Washing

Repeat step 3.

10. Substrate Reaction

Add 100 μ L **Substrate Solution** to each well. Seal the plate with microplate sealing film and incubate at 37°C for 20 minutes. Avoid light.

11. Termination

Add 50 μ L **Stop Solution** to each well, and gently shake the plate to allow thorough mixing.

Note: the color in the wells should change from blue to yellow.

12. Data Recording

Read the absorbance at 450 nm using UV/Vis microplate spectrophotometer.

Note: Subtracting the value read at OD_{450nm} with OD_{630nm} can be used to reduce the background noise.

TAB. 3 ASSAY PROTOCOL

Steps Code	Steps	Reagents & Instruments	Reaction Conditions	Samples	No-binding Ctrl.	No-coating Ctrl.	Positive Ctrl.
1	Working fluid preparation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	Coating	Human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R Working Solution	4°C for overnight	100 μ L	100 μ L	—	100 μ L
3	Washing	1xWashing Buffer	Wash for 3 times	300 μ L	300 μ L	300 μ L	300 μ L
4	Blocking	Blocking Buffer	37°C for 1.5 hours	300 μ L	300 μ L	300 μ L	300 μ L
5	Washing	1xWashing Buffer	Wash for 3 times	300 μ L	300 μ L	300 μ L	300 μ L
6	Add Samples	Biotinylated Human TSLP Working Solution	Incubate at 37°C for 1 hour	50 μ L	—	—	50 μ L
		Dilution Buffer		—	100 μ L	100 μ L	50 μ L
		Samples		50 μ L	—	—	—
7	Washing	1xWashing Buffer	Wash for 3 times	300 μ L	300 μ L	300 μ L	300 μ L
8	Streptavidin-HRP	Streptavidin-HRP Working	37°C for 1 hours	100 μ L	100 μ L	100 μ L	100 μ L

		Solution					
9	Washing	1xWashing Buffer	Wash for 3 times	300 µL	300 µL	300 µL	300 µL
10	Substrate Reaction	Substrate Solution	37°C for 20 minutes	100 µL	100 µL	100 µL	100 µL
11	Termination	Stop Solution	Mix by gentle tapping	50 µL	50 µL	50 µL	50 µL
12	Data Recording	UV/Vis spectrophotometer	Measure absorbance at 450 nm, with the correction wavelength set at 630 nm				

Note for TAB. 3:

- 1) **Samples:** Your samples of interest.
- 2) **No-binding Ctrl.:** Reaction without **Human TSLP-Biotin** added. The absorbance should be around 0.05(< 0.1) at 450 nm.
- 3) **No-coating Ctrl.:** Reaction without **Human IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R** coated on the wells. The absorbance should be around 0.05(< 0.1) at 450 nm.
- 4) **Positive Ctrl.:** Determined the max value in 450nm absorbance, when out of inhibitors.
- 5) It is recommended that all samples, controls and standards should be done in duplicates.

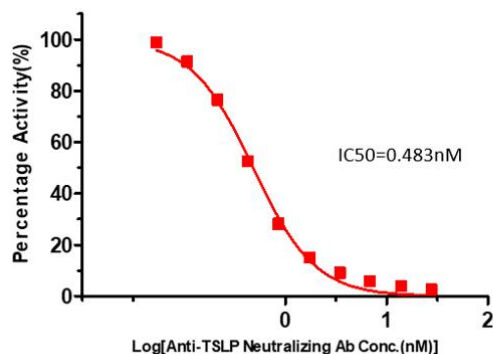
PRECAUTIONS

1. This kit is for research use only and is not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic applications.
2. This kit should be used according to the provided instructions.
3. Do not mix reagents from different lots.
4. Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature (20°C-25°C) before use.
5. This kit should be stored at 2°C-8°C.
6. Please prepare the working solution of each component according to the needs of the experiment. Except for 1x Washing Buffer, all prepared working solution is for one-time use and cannot be stored.

METHOD VERIFICATION

INHIBITION OF TSLP [BIOTINYLATED]: IL-7 R ALPHA & TSLP R BINDING BY ANTI-TSLP NEUTRALIZING ANTIBODY

Serial dilutions of Anti-TSLP Neutralizing antibody (Catalog # EP129-C03) (1:1 serial dilution, from 8 µg/mL to 0.0156 µg/mL (55.317-0.108 nM)) was added into IL-7 R alpha & TSLP R: TSLP-Biotin binding reactions. The assay was performed according to the above-described protocol. Background was subtracted from data points prior to log transformation and curve fitting.



Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody Ab Conc.(ug/ml)	Anti-TSLP Neutralizing Antibody Ab Conc.(nM)	Mean Abs.(OD450)	Percentage Activity(%)
0	0.000	3.044	100.000
0.0078	0.054	3.006	98.751
0.0156	0.108	2.784	91.457
0.0313	0.216	2.325	76.376
0.0625	0.432	1.599	52.522
0.125	0.864	0.859	28.208
0.25	1.729	0.460	15.098
0.5	3.457	0.279	9.151
1	6.915	0.181	5.931
2	13.829	0.119	3.894
4	27.659	0.079	2.579