HUMAN LBP ELISA

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Enzyme Immunoassay for the quantitative determination of Lipopolysaccharide binding protein (LBP, LPS-binding protein) in human serum and plasma.

Lipopolysaccharide binding protein (LBP, LPS-binding protein) is a serum glycoprotein belonging to the family of lipid-binding proteins. LBP is synthesized by hepatocytes and intestinal epithelial cells. Serum concentrations of LBP range between 5 and 10 ug/ml during homeostasis, increasing up to 200 ug/ml during the acute-phase response in the course of infection [8].

LBP expression and function are strongly associated with recognition and control of bacterial infection. [4] LBP is an acute-phase reactant. As a class I acute-phase protein, LBP is induced by pro-inflammatory cytokines such as interleukins 1 and 6, tumor necrosis factor-alpha (TNF- α), and glucocorticoid hormones in liver and in non-hepatic tissues such as the gut and the lung [3].

LPS is released from CD14 in the lipid bilayer and binds to a complex of receptors including Toll-like receptor 4 (TLR-4) to initiate intracellular signalling cascades and transcription of genes mediated through NF-kB [1]. If dysregulated, these host reactions can have inadvertent outcomes such as severe sepsis, septic shock, or systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS) [4].

LBP binds LPS in various pathologic states including obesity and insulin resistance.

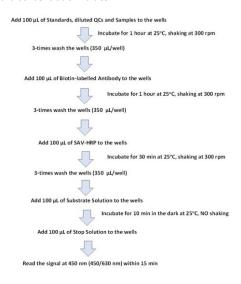
PRINCIPLE OF LBP ELISA

The microtiter plate is coated with the antibody specifically binding the Lipopolysaccharide binding protein. The human serum or plasma is incubated in the plate with the capture antibody.

The specimen is washed out and the specifically bound protein is incubated with biotin-labelled detection antibody. Following another washing step, Streptavidin-HRP conjugate is added into the well.

Unbound reagent is then washed out. Horseradish peroxidase (HRP) bound in the complex reacts with the chromogenic substrate (TMB) creating the blue colour. The reaction is stopped by addition of STOP solution (H_2SO_4).

The absorbance values are measured at 450 nm (optionally 450/630 nm) and are proportional to the concentration of LBP in the specimen. The concentration of LBP in unknown samples is determined from the calibration curve which is created by plotting the absorbance values against the standard concentration values.



Kit Contents

Item	Qty.
Antibody Coated Microtiter Plate	96 wells
Biotin-labelled Antibody	13 mL
Streptavidin-HRP Conjugate	13 mL
Master Standard (lyophilized)	1 vial
Quality Control A (human serum, lyophilized)	1 vial
Quality Control B (human serum, lyophilized)	1 vial
Dilution Buffer 5x conc.	13 mL
Wash Buffer 15x conc.	50 mL
Substrate Solution	13 mL
STOP Solution	13 mL

MATERIAL REQUIRED BUT NOT SUPPLIED

- 1. Glassware and test tubes
- 2. Microtiter plate washer
- 3. Precision pipettes (various volumes) with tips
- 4. Orbital shaker
- 5. Microtiter plate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm or 450/630 nm with software for data generation

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- 1. For research use only
- 2. For professional laboratory use
- 3. The reagents with different lot numbers should not be mixed
- To prevent cross sample contamination, use disposable labware and pipette tips
- 5. To protect laboratory stuff, wear protective gloves and protective clothing
- The substrate solution should remain colourless, keep it protected from light
- 7. The test should be performed at standard laboratory conditions (temperature $25^{\circ}C \pm 2^{\circ}C$).

STORAGE CONDITIONS

- 1. The kit must be stored at $2 8^{\circ}$ C.
- 2. The opened components can be stored for one week at $2-8^{\circ}$ C.

PREPARATION OF REAGENTS

- Use new pipette tip for pipetting different reagents and samples to prevent cross-contamination.
- All reagents and samples should be allowed to reach the temperature 25°C ± 2°C.

Preparation of Standards

Reconstitute lyophilized Human LBP Master Standard in Dilution Buffer. For the volume information see the Certificate of Analysis. Let it rehydrate for 15 min. The concentration of human LBP in Master Standard is 64 ng/mL.

Prepare set of Standards as follows:

Use the Master Standard for serial dilution (as below). Mix each tube thoroughly before the next transfer. **Master Standard (64 ng/ml) is not the part of the standard curve.** The Dilution Buffer serves as Blank.

	Volume of Standard	Dilution	Concentration
		Buffer	
Std1	300 μL of Master Standard	300 μL	32 ng/mL
	(64 ng/mL)		
Std2	300 μL of Std1	300 μL	16 ng/mL
Std3	300 μL of Std2	300 μL	8 ng/mL
Std4	300 μL of Std3	300 μL	4 ng/mL
Std5	300 μL of Std4	300 μL	2 ng/mL
Std6	300 μL of Std5	300 μL	1 ng/mL
Blank	-	300 μL	0 ng/mL

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Preparation of Quality Control A and B

Reconstitute the lyophilized human serum Quality Controls with 100 μ L deionized/distilled water. Let the QCs rehydrate for 15 min and add 900 μ L of Dilution Buffer (= Dilution A). Then mix 5 μ L of Dilution A + 995 μ L of Dilution Buffer to get final Dilution B (i.e. 1:2000).

Preparation of Dilution Buffer 1x

Prepare a working solution of Dilution Buffer by adding 13 mL of Dilution Buffer 5x conc. to 52 mL of deionized/ distilled water (dH $_2$ O). Mix well. Store at 4°C for two weeks or at -20°C for long term storage.

Preparation of Wash Buffer 1x

Prepare a working solution of Wash Buffer by adding 50 mL of Wash Buffer 15x conc. to 700 mL of deionized/ distilled water (dH $_2$ O). Mix well. Store at 4°C for two weeks or at -20°C for long term storage.

Preparation of samples

Human serum or plasma may be used with this assay. For long-term storage the samples should be frozen at minimum -70°C. Lipemic or haemolytic samples may cause false results.

Recommended dilution of **serum and plasma** is 1:2000. It is recommended to use the two-step dilution.

Dilution A (20x) for both singlets and duplicates: 5 μL of samples + 95 μL of Dilution Buffer.

Dilution B (100x): 5 μL of Dilution A + 495 μL of Dilution Buffer, for both singlets and for duplicates.

Do not store the diluted samples.

ASSAY PROCEDURE

- 1. Prepare the reagents as described in the previous chapter.
- Pipette 100 μL of set of Standards, Quality Controls, diluted Samples and Dilution Buffer = Blank into each well. Incubate for 1 hour at 25°C ±2°C, shaking at 300 rpm.
- 3. Wash the wells 3-times with 1x Wash Buffer (350 μ L/well). When finished, tap the plate against the paper towel to remove the liquid completely.
- 4. Pipette 100 μ L of Biotin-labelled Antibody into each well. Incubate for **1 hour** at 25°C ±2°C, shaking at 300 rpm. Wash the wells as described in point 3.
- Pipette 100 μL of Streptavidin-HRP into each well. Incubate for 30 min at 25°C ±2°C, shaking at 300 rpm.
- 6. Wash the wells as described in point 3.
- 7. Pipette 100 μ L Substrate solution, incubate for **10 min**, at 25°C ±2°C. Avoid exposure to the light during this step.
- 8. Pipette 100 µL of STOP solution.
- 9. Read the signal at 450 or 450/630 nm within 15 min.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Samples used in the tests were diluted 1:2000 as recommended and assayed. The results are multiplied by the dilution factor.

1. Sensitivity

The limit of detection, defined as a concentration of human LBP giving absorbance higher than absorbance of blank $+\ 3$ standard deviations, is better than 0.125 ng/mL of sample.

2. Precision

Intra-assav

Sample	Mean (μg/mL)	SD	CV (%)
1	19.0	0.5	1.4
2	4.6	0.2	2.3

Inter-assay (Run – to – run)

Sample	Mean (μg/mL)	SD	CV (%)	
1	8.5	677	8.0	
2	2.8	58	2.0	

Accuracy

Dilution linearity

Sample	Dilution	Measured	Expected	Yield
		concentration	concentration	(%)
		(μg/mL)	(μg/mL)	
1	-	61.2	-	-
	2x	29.0	31	95
	4x	14.3	15	93
	8x	9.2	8	120
2	-	70.8	-	-
	2x	31.4	35	89
	4x	16.6	18	94
	8x	10.5	9	118

Spiking Recovery

Sample	Spike	Measured Expected		Yield
	(µg/mL)	concentration concentration		(%)
		(μg/mL)	(μg/mL)	
1	-	9.4	9.4 -	
	32	40.8	41.4	99
	16	25.1	25.4	99
	8	17.1	17.4	99

Typical standard curve

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The standard curve needs to be measured in every test. Most of the microplate reader can automatically calculate the analyte concentration using 4-parameter algorithm or alternative functions to fit the standard points properly. The concentrations need to be multiplied by the dilution factor, either automatically by reader or manually.

Human LBP Standard Curve

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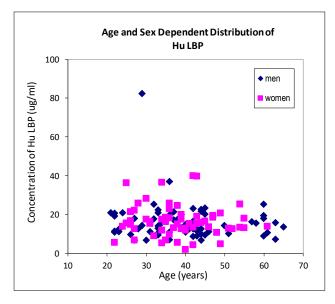
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PRELIMINARY POPULATION AND CLINICAL DATA

The following results were obtained when serum samples from 135 unselected donors (74 men + 61 women) 21-65 years old were assayed with the Human LBP ELISA in our laboratory.

Age dependent distribution of LBP

Sex	Age	n	LBP (ug/ml)				
	(years)		Mean	Median	SD	Min	Max
	21-29	14	19.35	13.42	18.07	6.67	82.47
Men	30-39	21	16.49	16.26	6.78	6.78	36.94
	40-49	27	14.29	12.59	4.57	6.85	23.31
	50-65	12	17.03	16.39	4.36	10.16	25.30
Women	22-29	11	17.39	15.47	8.37	5.46	36.40
	30-39	25	16.80	17.01	7.08	5.18	36.45
	40-49	18	16.33	15.40	9.74	1.82	39.95
	50-61	7	15.92	13.35	4.57	12.59	25.26



Human LBP concentration plotted against donor age and sex.

Reference range

The data quoted in these instructions should be used for guidance only. It is recommended that each laboratory include its own panel of control samples in the assay. Each laboratory should establish its own normal and pathological references ranges for LBP levels with the assay.

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