

Product Details

Summary

Product name	2019-nCoV Surrogate Virus Neutralization Test Kit
description	The SARS-CoV-2(2019-nCoV) Surrogate Virus Neutralization Test Kit is a blocking ELISA detection tool, which mimics the virus neutralization process. The kit contains two key components: the HRP labeled recombinant human ACE2 and the SARS-CoV-2 RBD protein . The protein-protein interaction between RBD and ACE2-HRP can be blocked by neutralizing antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 RBD.
Stability &Storage	After receiving the kit, please store the positive/negative controls, detection reagent A and pre-coated plates at -20°C, and store the sealing film at room temperature, and store the remaining reagents at 4°C for later use. The kit is stored at the recommended temperature for 6 months, and the signal intensity decreases by less than 10%

Standard Operating Procedure

OTHER SUPPLIES REQUIRED

- Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm, with the correction wavelength set at 540 nm or 570 nm.
- Pipettes and pipette tips.
- Deionized or distilled water.
- 500 mL graduated cylinder.
- Squirt bottle, manifold dispenser, or automated microplate washer.
- Test tubes for dilution of standards.

REAGENT PREPARATION

Bring all reagents to room temperature before use.

20-fold Wash Buffer Concentrate: if there is crystal precipitation in the Wash Buffer Concentrate, warm to room temperature and mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved. Add 25 mL of Wash Buffer Concentrate to 475 mL of deionized or distilled water to prepare 500 mL of Wash Buffer.

Sample Preparation: Dilute test samples with Sample Dilution Buffer with a volume ratio of 1:9. For example, dilute 10 µL of sample with 90 µL of Sample Dilution Buffer

Positive Control: shake and mix before used. Centrifuge instantaneously with palm centrifuge to make the liquid at the bottom of the tube. Dilute the Positive Control 1:100 to the working concentration with Sample Dilution Buffer.

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Negative Control: shake and mix before used. Centrifuge instantaneously with palm centrifuge to make the liquid at the bottom of the tube. Dilute the Negative Control 1:10 to the working concentration with Sample Dilution Buffer.

Detection A(HRP labeled): shake and mix before used. Centrifuge instantaneously with palm centrifuge to make the liquid at the bottom of the tube. Dilute the Detection A 1:2000 to the working concentration with Reagent Dilution Buffer.

Color Reagent TMB: Protect from light, Add 100µL of Color Reagent TMB to each well. Incubate for 8~10 minutes at room temperature.

Stop solution: 50µL/well after color development.

SAMPLE COLLECTION & STORAGE

The sample collection and storage conditions listed below are intended as general guidelines. Sample stability has not been evaluated.

Handle all blood and serum as if capable of transmitting infectious agents. The NCCLS provides recommendations for handling and storing serum and plasma specimens (Approved Standard-Procedures for the Handling and Processing of Blood Specimens, H18-A. 1990).

Serum - Use a serum separator tube (SST) and allow samples to clot for 30 minutes at room temperature before centrifugation for 15 minutes at 1000 x g. Remove serum and assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at ≤ -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Plasma - Collect plasma using EDTA, heparin, or citrate as an anticoagulant. Centrifuge for 15 minutes at 1000 x g within 30 minutes of collection. Assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at ≤ -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

ASSAY PROCEDURE

Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature before use. It is recommended that all standards, controls, and samples be assayed in duplicate.

1. Prepare all reagents and working standards as directed in the previous sections.
2. Remove excess microplate strips from the plate frame, return them to the foil pouch containing the desiccant pack, and reseal.
3. In separate wells, add 50µl of diluted Positive Control, diluted Negative Control, or the diluted Samples. Cover the plate with Plate Sealer and incubate 30mins at 37°C.
4. Add 50 µL of diluted Detection A solution to each well. Set the plate on the microplate mixer with shaking 5mins.
5. Cover the plate with Plate Sealer and incubate 1 hour at 37°C.
6. Aspirate each well and wash, repeating the process three times. Wash by filling each well with Wash Buffer (300µL) using a squirt bottle, manifold dispenser, or autowasher. Complete removal of liquid at each step is essential to good performance. After the last wash, remove any remaining Wash Buffer by aspirating or decanting. Invert the plate and blot it against clean paper towels.
7. Add 100µL of Color Reagent TMB to each well. Incubate for 8~10 minutes at 37°C. Protect from light.
8. Add 50µL of Stop Solution to each well. The color in the wells should change from blue to yellow. If the color in the wells is green or the color change does not appear uniform, gently tap the plate to ensure thorough mixing.

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9. Determine the optical density of each well within 10 minutes, using a microplate reader set to 450 nm. If wavelength correction is available, set to 540 nm or 570 nm. If wavelength correction is not available, subtract readings at 540 nm or 570 nm from the readings at 450 nm. This subtraction will correct for optical imperfections in the plate. Readings made directly at 450 nm without correction may be higher and less accurate.

INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

To assure the validity of the results, each assay must include both Positive and Negative Controls. The net optical density (OD450) of each control must fall within the ranges listed in the following table. If OD450 values of controls do not meet the requirements in the following table, the test is invalid and must be repeated.

Items	OD450 value	Control Result for Valid Assay
Positive Control	< 0.3	Passed
Negative Control	> 0.9	Passed

The positive cutoff and negative cutoff for SARS-CoV-2 neutralizing antibody detection can be used for interpretation of the inhibition rate. The operator can determine the result of the sample by comparing the inhibition rate to the following table.

$$\text{Inhibition} = \left(1 - \frac{\text{OD value of Sample}}{\text{OD value of Negative Control}}\right) \times 100\%$$

Cutoff Interpretation

Items	Cutoff	Result	Interpretation
Neutralizing antibody test	≥20%	Positive	Neutralizing antibody detected
	< 20%	Negative	No detectable neutralizing antibody

Precision

Intra-Assay Precision (Precision within an assay): <8%

Three samples of known concentration were tested twenty times on one plate to assess intra-assay precision.

Inter-Assay Precision (Precision between assays): <10%

Three samples of known concentration were tested in twenty separate assays to assess inter-assay precision.

Stability

When the kit was stored at the recommended temperature for 6 months, the signal intensity decreased by less than 10%.

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Problem	Probable Cause	Solution
	Wells are not washed or aspirated properly	Make sure the wash apparatus works properly and wells are dry after aspiration
	Bubbles in the wells	Tap plate gently to disperse bubbles

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Poor Precision	Wells are scratched with pipette tip or washing needles	Dispense and aspirate solution into and out of wells with caution
	Particulates are found in the samples	Remove any particulates by centrifugation prior to the assay
High background	Plate is not washed properly	Make sure the wash apparatus works properly
	Incorrect incubation times and/or temperatures	The OD value increased gradually along with the time.Reduce the color developing time properly
Weak/No Signal	Pipetting errors	Make sure the pipette is calibrated
	The working solution not be prepared immediately before use	The working solution should be prepared immediately before use and should not be stored
	Volumes errors	Repeat assay with the required volumes in manual
	The plate is not incubated for proper time or temperature	Follow the manual to repeat assay
	Detection A working solution is not completely mixed with the samples	After adding the Detection A into the wells, make sure the detection A and the samples are mixed thoroughly

Component and Instruction

MATERIALS PROVIDED & STORAGE CONDITIONS

PART	Format	Description	STORAGE
Capture Plate	1 plate	96 well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with RBD protein.	Store in sealed at - 20 °C.
Positive Control	1 vial	12μL/vial, 1mg/mL antibody specific for RBD protein with preservatives, 1:100 diluted by dilution buffer before used. Final concentration was 10μg /mL.	Store at - 20°C.
Negative Control	1 vial	60μL/vial, negative control with preservatives, 1:10 diluted by dilution buffer before used.	Store at - 20°C.
Detection A	1 vial	12μL/vial HRP labeled ACE2 protein (including preservative) , 1:2000 diluted by dilution buffer before used.	Store at - 20°C.
Sample Dilution Buffer	1 bottle	25 ml/bottle diluent (including preservative) was used to dilute the Positive Control ,Negative Control ,Serum and Plasma.	Store at 4°C.
Reagent Dilution Buffer	1 bottle	25 ml/bottle diluent (including preservative) was used to dilute the Detection A.	Store at 4°C.

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Wash Buffer Concentrate	1 bottle	25 mL/bottle of a 20-fold concentrated solution of buffered surfactant with preservative. 1:20 diluted by deionized water before used.	Store at 4°C.
Color Reagent TMB	1 bottle	12 mL/ bottle of TMB(tetramethylbenzidine) .	Store at 4°C.
Stop Solution	1 bottle	6 mL/ bottle.	Store at 4°C.
Plate Sealer	4 strips	Adhesive strips.	RT.

* Provided this is within the expiration date of the kit.

SPECIFICITY

SARS-CoV-2(2019-nCoV) Surrogate Virus Neutralization Test Kit can detect circulating neutralizing antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 that block the interaction between the receptor binding domain of the viral spike glycoprotein (RBD) with the ACE2 cell surface receptor. The assay detects any antibodies in serum and plasma that neutralize the RBD-ACE2 interaction. The test is both species and isotype independent.

Note

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