Lab 4: Immune System (ELISA)

- 1. What Patient Profile did you work of?
- 2. Record your results in the data table:

Sample Color Test Result

positive control

negative control

Patient A

Patient B

Patient C

Patient D

Patient E

Patient F

- 3. What basic principles of antibody-mediated immunity are utilized in an ELISA assay?
- 4. How does an ELISA indirectly detect infection by a disease-causing agent?
- 5. What is the function of the secondary antibody and chromogen in an ELISA?
- 6. Why did you perform three identical tests for each control and patient sample?
- 7. What might cause some positive results to be lighter in color than others?