

# Sandwich ELISA for IL-8 detection in supernatants

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## Abstract

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## Protocol

### Coating of plates

#### Step 1.

- Resuspend 30µl (15 µg) coating antibody (Anti-IL-8 Antibody IL-8 Human 554716 Pharmingen, 0,5µg/µl) in 5 ml Coating buffer (100 mM Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> pH 9,6)
- Pipette 50µl of antibody solution in each well of a Nunc MaxiSorp® flat-bottom 96 well plate. Take care to cover the whole surface of each well with the solution. Incubate at 4°C for minimum 8 hours



### REAGENTS

Purified Mouse Anti-Human IL-8 [554716](#) by [BD Biosciences](#)

### Remove unbound antibody

#### Step 2.

Remove the unbound antibody, washing twice with 200 µl/well washing buffer (PBS 0,05% Tween 20 (v/v))

### Blocking the plate

#### Step 3.

Add 100µl to each well a PBS 10% FBS solution for blocking, for minimum 1 hour at 37°C or 2 hours at room temperature.



## REAGENTS

Fetal Bovine Serum [10270106](#) by [Gibco - Thermo Fischer](#)

### Remove blocking solution

#### Step 4.

Remove blocking solution and wash well twice with 200µl Wash buffer per well.

### Prepare standards and samples and add to plate

#### Step 5.

- Add standard solutions (100µl / well)
- Prepare samples by mixing thoroughly before loading them onto the plate. (final volume per well: 100 µl).

### Incubate samples

#### Step 6.

Incubate samples for minimum 5 hours at 37°C, or overnight at 4°C. Do not shake.

### Wash to remove unbound molecules

#### Step 7.

Remove thoroughly the samples by washing 6 times with 200 µl wash buffer / well.

### Add the detection antibody

#### Step 8.

Add 100µl/well of a solution of 10µg biotinylated IL-8 antibody (BD Biosciences, Catalog No.554718) in 10 ml wash buffer 10% FBS, and incubate for minimum 45 min at 37°C, or 2 hours at room temperature.



## REAGENTS

Biotin Mouse Anti-Human IL-8 [554718](#) by [BD Biosciences](#)

### Prepare the Peroxidase (POX)-Avidin complex

#### Step 9.

30 minutes before the incubation of the detection antibody is ready, prepare the POX -Streptavidin complex, by mixing 1,5µl of solution A and 1,5µl of solution B (Vectastain ABC kit, Catalog Number: PK-4000) in 200µl ELISA buffer . Vortex shortly to mix and incubate for 30 min at room temperature.



## REAGENTS

VECTASTAIN ABC HRP Kit (Peroxidase, Standard) [PK-4000](#) by [Vector Laboratories](#)

### Remove unbound biotinylated antibody

#### Step 10.

Once the incubation of the biotinylated antibody is ready, remove all unbound antibody from plate by

washing 6 times as described before

Add the POX-Streptavidin solution (detection complex)

#### **Step 11.**

Prepare the POX-Streptavidin solution by diluting the 200 µl previously prepared in 10 ml of ELISA buffer (50 mM TRIS-HCL pH 7,6). MIX BY INVERSION ONLY. Do not vortex.

#### **Step 12.**

Add 100µl of the POX-Strep complex solution in each well. Incubate for 45 min at room temperature. Do not vortex the POX-Step complex.

#### **Step 13.**

Remove the unbound complex, by washing as previously described 6 times. Develop using a TMB substrate (5 ml Solution A + 5 ml Solution B), 100 µl per well, and stop reaction using 50 µl of a 1M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Read in Wavelength described by TMB substrate instructions.



#### **REAGENTS**

TMB Substrate Reagent Set [555214](#) by [BD Biosciences](#)