



Alanine Assay kit

ARG83374 Alanine Assay kit is an assay kit for Alanine in Serum, plasma, urine, Cell culture supernatants, cell lysate and tissue lysates.

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Package: 200 assay

For research use only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

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INTRODUCTION

L-alanine is the L-enantiomer of alanine. It has a role as an EC 4.3.1.15 (diaminopropionate ammonia-lyase) inhibitor and a fundamental metabolite. It is a pyruvate family amino acid, a proteinogenic amino acid, a L-alpha-amino acid and an alanine. It is a conjugate base of a L-alaninium. It is a conjugate acid of a L-alaninate. It is an enantiomer of a D-alanine. It is a tautomer of a L-alanine zwitterion.

PRINCIPLE OF THE ASSAY

ARG83374 Alanine Assay Kit measures Alanine content in biological samples. Samples or Alanine standards are added to a 96 well plate followed by the Colorimetric Probe Mix containing WST-1, electron mediator, and Alanine Dehydrogenase. During a brief incubation, the WST-1 is converted to the formazan. Samples are compared to a known concentration of Alanine standard. The intensity of the color is measured at a wavelength of 450 nm. The concentration of Alanine in the sample is then determined by comparing the O.D. of samples to the standard curve.

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MATERIALS PROVIDED & STORAGE INFORMATION

Upon received, store 10X Assay Buffer at RT, 50X NAD+ at -80°C

Store other component at $\leq -20^{\circ}\text{C}$. Use the kit before expiration date.

Component	Quantity	Storage information
Standard (25 mM)	100 μL	-20°C
10X Assay Buffer	30 mL	RT
50X NAD+	800 μL	-80°C
100X L-Alanine Dehydrogenase	400 μL	-20°C
20X Colorimetric Probe	1 mL X 2	-20°C (Protect from light)

MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

- Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm
- Flat bottomed 96-well black microplate and tube.
- 1X PBS and deionized water
- Pipettes and pipette tips

TECHNICAL HINTS AND PRECAUTIONS

- Wear protective gloves, clothing, eye, and face protection.
- Upon received, store 10X Assay Buffer at RT, 50X NAD+ at -80°C Store other component at $\leq -20^{\circ}\text{C}$. The 20X Colorimetric Probe is light sensitive and must be stored accordingly. Use the kit before expiration date Use the kit before expiration date and avoid freeze / thaws.
- Briefly spin down the reagents before use.
- It is highly recommended that the standards and samples be assayed in at least duplicates.
- Change pipette tips between the addition of different reagent or samples.
- All reagents should be warmed to 4°C / room temperature before use.

SAMPLE COLLECTION & STORAGE INFORMATION

The sample collection and storage conditions listed below are intended as general guidelines. Sample stability has not been evaluated. All samples should be assayed immediately or stored at -80°C for up to 1-2 months. Run proper controls as necessary. Optimal experimental conditions for samples must be determined by the investigator. Always run a standard curve with unknown samples

Serum- Use a serum separator tube (SST) and allow samples to clot for 30 minutes before centrifugation for 15 minutes at 1000 x g. Collect serum and assay immediately or aliquot & store samples at -80°C up to 1-2 months. The supernatant can be assayed directly or diluted as necessary in deionized water. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

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Plasma- Collect plasma using heparin as an anticoagulant. Centrifuge for 15 minutes at 1000 x g. within 30 minutes of collection. Collect the supernatants and assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at -80°C up to 1-2 months. The supernatant can be assayed directly or diluted as necessary in deionized water. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Urine- Collect the urine by micturating directly into a sterile container. Remove impurities by centrifugation at 10,000 x g for 1 min. Collect the supernatants and assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at -80°C up to 1-2 months. The supernatant can be assayed directly or diluted as necessary in deionized water. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Cell Culture Supernatants- To remove insoluble particles, centrifuge at 10,000 rpm for 5 min. The supernatant can be assayed directly or diluted as necessary. Prepare the Alanine standard curve in the same non-conditioned media. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Cell Lysates: Resuspend cells at $1-2 \times 10^6$ cells/mL in PBS or 1X Assay Buffer. Homogenize or sonicate the cells on ice. Centrifuge to remove debris. Cell lysates can be assayed undiluted or diluted as necessary in deionized water.

REAGENT PREPARATION

- **1X Assay Buffer:** Dilute the 10X Assay Buffer with deionized water to yield 1X Assay Buffer. Stir or vortex to homogeneity. Store at RT.
- **Reaction Mix:** Dilute the 20X Colorimetric Probe, the L-Alanine Dehydrogenase (100X) and the 50X NAD⁺ to 1X concentration in 1X Assay Buffer. For example, for 20 assays add 200 μ L of 20X Colorimetric Probe, 40 μ L of Alanine Dehydrogenase (100X), and 80 μ L of 50X NAD⁺ to 3.68 mL of 1X Assay Buffer.

Scale down the described example appropriately and prepare only enough for immediate use.

- **Control Mix:** Dilute both the 20X Colorimetric Probe and the 50X NAD⁺ to 1X concentration in 1X Assay Buffer. For example, for 20 assays add 200 μ L of 20X Colorimetric Probe, and 80 μ L of 50X NAD⁺ to 3.72 mL of 1X Assay Buffer.

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- **Standards:** Add 10 μL of 25 mM stock standard into 490 μL 1X Assay Buffer to generate a standard with 500 μM of Alanine. Dilute the standards with 1X Assay Buffer serves as zero standard (blank standard, 0 μM). The example of the standards dilution table is as below:

Standard	Alanine (μM)	Volume of 1X Assay Buffer (μL)	Volume of Alanine (μL)
S1	500	490	10 (25 mM stock)
S2	250	250	250(S1)
S3	125	250	250(S2)
S4	62.5	250	250(S3)
S5	31.25	250	250(S4)
S6	15.63	250	250(S5)
S7	7.81	250	250(S6)
S8	0	250	0

ASSAY PROCEDURE

Each samples should be assayed in at least duplicates, one to be treated with L-Alanine Dehydrogenase and one without, to measure endogenous background. Each sample replicate requires two paired wells, one to be treated with ADH (Reaction Mix) and one without the enzyme (Control Mix) to measure endogenous sample background.

1. Add **50 μL** of **standard** and **sample** to each wells.
2. Add **200 μL** of **Reaction Mix** to **standard** and half of sample wells.
3. Add **200 μL** of **Control Mix** to other half of sample wells.
4. Mix well and Incubate for 15 min at 37°C.
5. Read O.D. with a microplate reader at **450 nm** immediately.

CALCULATION OF RESULTS

1. Calculate the average absorbance value for each set of standards and samples.
2. Subtract the average value of Standard 0 from all standard value.
3. Using log-log, semi-log or linear graph paper, construct a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance value obtained from each standard against its concentration with absorbance value on the vertical (Y) axis and concentration on the horizontal (X) axis.
4. Subtract the sample well values without L-Alanine Dehydrogenase from the sample well values containing L-Alanine Dehydrogenase (Control Mix) to obtain the difference. The absorbance difference is due to the L-Alanine Dehydrogenase activity:

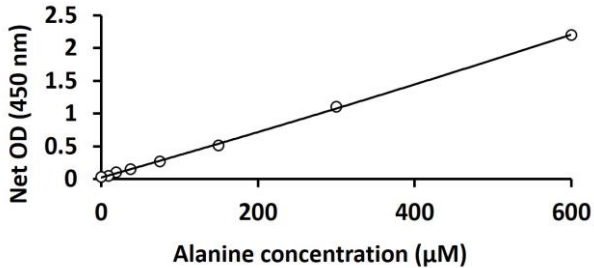
$$\Delta A = A_{\text{Reaction Mix}} - A_{\text{Control Mix}}$$

5. Compare the change in absorbance ΔA of each sample to the standard curve to determine and extrapolate the quantity of bile acid present in the sample. Only use values within the range of the standard curve.

Note: 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which converts 1 μmol L-alanine per minute at pH 10.0 and 30°C (NAD as cofactor).

EXAMPLE OF TYPICAL STANDARD CURVE

The following table shows the OD readings of a run of this assay kit with serial diluted standards



QUALITY ASSURANCE

Sensitivity

The minimum detectable dose (MDD) of Alanine ranged from 7.81-500 µM.

The mean MDD was 7.8 µM