# Bovine IL-6 ELISA Reagent Kit

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### **Description**

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**Bovine IL-6 ELISA Reagent Kit,** pre-titered coating and detection antibodies, recommended buffers and specific assay protocol optimized for the quantitative measurement of bovine IL-6 in cell culture supernatants

Kit provides sufficient reagents for approximately five 96-well plates, provided the Bovine IL-6 ELISA Reagent Kit Protocol is followed.

Kit Contents	Size	<b>Assay Dilution</b>		
Anti-Bovine IL-6 Coating Antibody	0.625mL	1:100		
Lyophilized Recombinant Bovine IL-6 Standard	5 vials	See vial label		
Anti-Bovine IL-6 Detection Antibody	0.625 mL	1:100		
Streptavidin-HRP	0.25mL	1:400		
Substrate Solution	55mL	Ready to use		
Stop Solution, 0.16M Sulfuric Acid	55mL	Ready to use		

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**Storage:** Upon receipt store at 2-8°C.

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#### Introduction

The Invitrogen™ Bovine IL-6 ELISA Reagent Kit contains pre-titered coating and detection antibodies, recommended buffers and a specific assay protocol that have been optimized for the quantitative measurement of bovine IL-6 in cell culture supernates.

# **Materials Required**

- 8-well strip plates, clear, corner-notched (Product No. 15031)
- Plate sealers for 96-well plates (Product No. 15036)
- Reagent reservoir, sterile, 50mL capacity, 40pk (Product No. 15075)

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## **ELISA Reagent Kit Buffers**

- D-PBS: 0.008M sodium phosphate, 0.002M potassium phosphate, 0.14M sodium chloride, 0.01M potassium chloride, pH 7.4, 0.2μm filtered (e.g., Thermo Scientific<sup>TM</sup> BupH<sup>TM</sup> Modified Dulbecco's Phosphate Buffered Saline Packs, Product No. 28374)
- Carbonate-bicarbonate Buffer: 0.2M sodium carbonate-bicarbonate buffer, pH 9.4, 0.2µm filtered (e.g., BupH Carbonate/Bicarbonate Buffer, Product No. 28382)
- Blocking Buffer: 4% BSA, 5% sucrose in D-PBS, 0.2μm filtered <u>OR</u> ELISA Blocker Blocking Buffer, Product No. N502
- Reagent Diluent: 4% BSA in D-PBS (pH 7.4), 0.2µm filtered
- Wash Buffer: 0.05% Tween<sup>TM</sup>-20 Detergent (e.g., 0.5% Thermo Scientific<sup>TM</sup> Surfact-Amps<sup>TM</sup> 20 Detergent Solution, Product No. 28320) in D-PBS, pH 7.4 <u>OR</u> ELISA Wash Buffer (30X), Product No. N503

Note: Mix new solution daily.

# **Assay Protocol**

Kit components are titered to give optimal results using the Bovine IL-6 ELISA Reagent Kit Protocol for cell culture supernatants. Any change, including component concentration, volumes, incubation times or temperatures, buffer content or number of wash steps may significantly affect the ELISA results and require optimization to give the best results.

**Note:** Allow all reagents and buffers to equilibrate to room temperature (22-25°C) before use. Thaw one aliquot of coating and detecting antibody for each plate. Do not use a water bath.

#### A. Plate Preparation

- 1. Dilute the Coating Antibody 1:100 in carbonate-bicarbonate buffer by adding 110μL Coating Antibody to 10.89mL of carbonate-bicarbonate buffer.
- 2. Add 100μL of diluted Coating Antibody to each well. Cover plate with plate sealer and incubate overnight at room temperature.
- 3. Aspirate Coating Antibody solution and add  $300\mu L$  of Blocking Buffer to each well. Cover plate with plate sealer and incubate for 1 hour at room temperature.
- 4. Aspirate Blocking Buffer and proceed to assay or allow to dry overnight at room temperature. When sealed with dessicant, plates can be stored at 2-8°C for 6 months.

#### **B.** Assay Procedure

- 1. Reconstitute standard with Reagent Diluent with volume stated on vial label. The concentration of the reconstituted standard is 10,000pg/mL.
- 2. Dilute reconstituted standard 1:2 in Reagent Diluent to prepare top Standard (5000pg/mL). Using Reagent Diluent, prepare 1:2 serial dilutions of top Standard and dilute any supernatant expected to read above the top standard. Add 100μL of sample or Standard to each well. Cover plate with plate sealer and incubate for 1 hour at room temperature with moderate shaking.
- 3. Aspirate and wash three times with Wash Buffer using 300µL per well.
- 4. Dilute the Detection Antibody 1:100 in Reagent Diluent by adding 110μL of Detection Antibody to 10.89mL of Reagent Diluent.
- 5. Add 100μL of Detection Antibody to each well. Cover plate with plate sealer and incubate for 1 hour at room temperature with moderate shaking.
- 6. Aspirate and wash three times with Wash Buffer, using 300µL per well.
- 7. Dilute Streptavidin-HRP 1:400 in Reagent Diluent by adding 30μL of Streptavidin-HRP to 12mL of Reagent Diluent.

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- 8. Add 100μL of diluted Streptavidin-HRP reagent to each well. Cover plate with plate sealer and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature with moderate shaking.
- 9. Aspirate and wash three times with Wash Buffer, using 300μL per well.
- 10. Add 100μL of Substrate Solution to each well. Cover plate with plate sealer and incubate in the dark for 20 minutes at room temperature.
- 11. Stop the reaction by adding 100µL of Stop Solution to each well.
- 12. Measure the absorbance at A<sub>450</sub> minus A<sub>550</sub>.

#### C. Absorbance Measurement

Measure absorbance on an ELISA plate reader set at 450nm and 550nm. Subtract 550nm values from 450nm values to correct for optical imperfections in the microplate. If an absorbance at 550nm is not available, measure the absorbance at 450nm only.

**Note:** When the 550nm measurement is omitted, absorbance values will be higher.

**Note:** Evaluate the plate within 30 minutes of stopping the reaction.

#### D. Calculation of Results

- The standard curve is used to determine bovine IL-6 amount in an
  unknown sample. Generate the standard curve by plotting the
  average absorbance obtained for each Standard concentration on
  the vertical (Y) axis vs. the corresponding bovine IL-6
  concentration (pg/mL) on the horizontal (X) axis.
- Calculate results using graph paper or curve-fitting statistical software. Determine the bovine IL-6 amount in each sample by interpolating from the absorbance value (Y-axis) to Bovine IL-6 concentration (X-axis) using the standard curve.
- If the test sample was diluted, multiply the interpolated value obtained from the standard curve by the dilution factor to calculate pg/mL of bovine IL-6 in the sample.
- Absorbance values obtained for duplicates should be within 10% of the mean value. Carefully consider duplicate values that differ from the mean by greater than 10%.

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**Standard Curve Example** 

Standard Curve



Bovine IL-6 ELISA Reagent Kit Protocol.

NOTE: This standard curve is for demonstration only. A standard curve must be run with each assay.

#### **Performance Characteristics**

Specificity: This ELISA is specific for the measurement of natural and recombinant bovine IL-6. It does not cross-react with recombinant bovine IL-1 $\beta$ , IL-2, IL-4, IL-8, IFN $\gamma$ , or TNF $\alpha$  ( $\leq 0.5\%$ ).

#### **General Reference**

Immunoassay: A Practical Guide. Chan and Perlstein, Eds. (1987). Academic Press: New York. p.71.

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REF	Catalog Number	LOT	Batch code	1	Temperature limitation		Use by	***	Manufacturer	<u>[i</u>	Consult instructions for use	<u> </u>	Caution, consult accompanying documents
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