

# Human CD126 ELISA Kit

## **User Manual**

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Sandwich Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay for Quantitative Detection of Human CD126 Concentrations in Cell Culture Supernatants, Serum, Plasma, Urine.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

IL6R alpha (IL6RA) also known as CD126 or IL6R, is a type I cytokine receptor. The IL6 receptor is a protein complex consisting of a IL-6 receptor subunit (IL6R) and interleukin 6 signal transducer Glycoprotein 130. IL6R also denotes the human gene encoding this subunit. Alternatively spliced transcript variants encoding distinct isoforms have been reported. IL6R subunit is also shared by many other cytokines. Interleukin-6 receptor has been shown to interact with Interleukin 6 and Ciliary neurotrophic factor. Ligand binding did not appear to affect IL6R dimerization status. IL6R dimerization occurs both on the cell surface and in solution.



#### II. ASSAY PRINCIPLES

The Cohesion Bioscience Human CD126 ELISA (Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay) kit is an in vitro enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay for the quantitative measurement of Human CD126 in Cell Culture Supernatants, Serum, Plasma, Urine. This assay employs an antibody specific for Human CD126 coated on a 96-well plate. Standards and samples are pipetted into the wells and CD126 present in a sample is bound to the wells by the immobilized antibody. The wells are washed and biotinylated anti-Human CD126 antibody is added. After washing away unbound biotinylated antibody, HRP-conjugated streptavidin is pipetted to the wells. The wells are again washed, a TMB substrate solution is added to the wells and color develops in proportion to the amount of CD126 bound. The Stop Solution changes the color from blue to yellow, and the intensity of the color is measured at 450 nm.



#### **III. KIT COMPONENTS**

| Component   | Volume              |
|---|---------------------|
| 96-well Plate Coated With Anti-Human CD126 Antibody | 8 wells x 12 Strips |
| Human CD126 Standard                                | 10 ng x 2           |
| Biotin-Labeled Detection Antibody (100X)            | 120 μl              |
| Streptavidin-HRP (100X)                             | 120 μl              |
| Standard/Sample Diluent                             | 30 ml               |
| Detection Antibody Diluent                          | 12 ml               |
| Streptavidin-HRP Diluent                            | 12 ml               |
| Wash Buffer (20X)                                   | 30 ml               |
| TMB Substrate Solution                              | 12 ml               |
| Stop Solution                                       | 12 ml               |
| Plate Adhesive Strips                               | 3 Strips            |
| Technical Manual                                    | 1 Manual            |

## IV. STORAGE AND STABILITY

All kit components are stable at 2 to 8 °C. Standard (recombinant protein) should be stored at -20 °C or -80 °C (recommended at -80 °C) after reconstitution. Opened Microplate Wells or reagents may be store for up to 1 month at 2 to 8 °C. Return unused wells to the pouch containing desiccant pack, reseal along entire edge. Note: the kit can be used within one year if the whole kit is stored at -20 °C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.



### V. MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

- 1. Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm.
- 2. Adjustable pipettes and pipette tips to deliver 2  $\mu$ l to 1 ml volumes.
- 3. Adjustable 1-25 ml pipettes for reagent preparation.
- 4. 100 ml and 1 liter graduated cylinders.
- 5. Absorbent paper.
- 6. Distilled or deionized water.
- 7. Computer and software for ELISA data analysis.
- 8. Tubes to prepare standard or sample dilutions.

#### VI. HEALTH AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

1. Reagents provided in this kit may be harmful if ingested, inhaled or absorbed through the skin. Please carefully review the MSDS for each reagent before conducting the experiment.

2. Stop Solution contains 2 N Sulfuric Acid  $(H_2SO_4)$  and is an extremely corrosive agent. Please wear proper eye, hand and face protection when handling this material. When the experiment is finished, be sure to rinse the plate with copious amounts of running water to dilute the Stop Solution prior to disposing the plate.



#### VII. REAGENT PREPARATION

#### 1. Sample Preparation

Store samples to be assayed within 24 hours at 2-8°C. For long-term storage, aliquot and freeze samples at -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

**Cell culture supernates**: Remove particulates by centrifugation, assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at -20°C.

**Serum**: Allow the serum to clot in a serum separator tube (about 4 hours) at room temperature. Centrifuge at approximately 1000 X g for 15 minutes. Analyze the serum immediately or aliquot and store samples at -20°C.

**Plasma**: Collect plasma using heparin or EDTA as an anticoagulant. Centrifuge for 15 minutes at 1500 X g within 30 minutes of collection. Assay immediately or aliquot and store samples at -20°C.

Cell Lysates: Collect cells and rinse cells with PBS. Homogenize and lyse cells throughly in lysate solution. Centrifuge cell lysates at approximately 10000 X g for 5 minutes to remove debris. Aliquots of the cell lysates were removed and assayed.
Bone Tissue: Extract demineralized bone samples in 4 M Guanidine-HCl and protease inhibitors. Dissolve the final sample in 2 M Guanidine-HCl.

**Tissue Homogenates:** The preparation of tissue homogenates will vary depending upon tissue type. Rinse tissue with 1X PBS to remove excess blood, homogenized in 20 mL of 1X PBS and stored overnight at  $\leq -20$  °C. After two freeze-thaw cycles were performed to break the cell membranes, the homogenates were centrifuged for 5 minutes at 5000 x g. The supernate was removed immediately and assayed. Alternatively, aliquot and store samples at  $\leq -20$  °C.

**Note:** Some lysis buffer, such as RIPA can not be used. Some components will affect the binding.

**Urine**: Urinary samples should be cleared by centrifugation and then can be used directly without dilution. Storage at -20°C.

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## 2. Human CD126 Standard Preparation

Reconstitute the lyophilized Human CD126 Standard by adding 1 ml of Standard/Sample Diluent to make the 10000 pg/ml standard stock solution. Allow solution to sit at room temperature for 5 minutes, then gently vortex to mix completely. Use within one hour of reconstituting. Two tubes of the standard (10 ng per tube) are included in each kit. Use one tube for each experiment. Perform 2-fold serial dilutions of the top standards to make the standard curve within the range of this assay (31.2 pg/ml - 2000 pg/ml) as below. Standard/Sample Dilution Buffer serves as the zero standard (0 pg/ml).

| Standard    | Add                                       | Into  |
|-------------|---|---|
| 2000 pg/ml  | 200 $\mu l$ of the Standard (10000 pg/ml) | $800\ \mu l$ of the Standard/Sample Diluent |
| 1000 pg/ml  | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard (2000 pg/ml)  | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard/Sample Diluent  |
| 500 pg/ml   | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard (1000 pg/ml)  | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard/Sample Diluent  |
| 250 pg/ml   | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard (500 pg/ml)   | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard/Sample Diluent  |
| 125 pg/ml   | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard (250 pg/ml)   | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard/Sample Diluent  |
| 62.5 pg/ml  | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard (125 pg/ml)   | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard/Sample Diluent  |
| 31.25 pg/ml | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard (62.5 pg/ml)  | 500 $\mu l$ of the Standard/Sample Diluent  |
| 0 ng/ml     | 1 ml of the Standard/Sample Diluent       |   |

**Note:** The standard solutions are best used within 2 hours. The 10000 pg/ml standard solution should be stored at 4°C for up to 12 hours, or at -20°C for up to 48 hours. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Biotin-Labeled Detection Antibody Working Solution Preparation
 The Biotin-Labeled Detection Antibody should be diluted in 1:100 with the Detection
 Antibody Diluent and mixed thoroughly. The solution should be prepared no more
 than 2 hours prior to the experiment.

4. Streptavidin-HRP Working Solution Preparation



The Streptavidin-HRP should be diluted in 1:100 with the Streptavidin-HRP Diluent and mixed thoroughly. The solution should be prepared no more than 1 hour prior to the experiment.

5. Wash Buffer Working Solution Preparation

Pour entire contents (30 ml) of the Wash Buffer Concentrate into a clean 1,000 ml graduated cylinder. Bring final volume to 600 ml with glass-distilled or deionized water (1:20).



#### VIII. ASSAY PROCEDURE

The Streptavidin-HRP Working Solution and TMB Substrate Solution must be kept warm at 37°C for 30 minutes before use. When diluting samples and reagents, they must be mixed completely and evenly. Standard detection curve should be prepared for each experiment. The user will decide sample dilution fold by crude estimation of protein amount in samples.

1. Add 100  $\mu l$  of each standard and sample into appropriate wells.

2. Cover well and incubate for 90 minutes at room temperature or over night at 4°C with gentle shaking.

3. Remove the cover, discard the solution and wash plate 3 times with Wash Buffer Working Solution, and each time let Wash Buffer Working Solution stay in the wells for 1 - 2 minutes. Blot the plate onto paper towels or other absorbent material. Do NOT let the wells completely dry at any time.

4. Add 100  $\mu$ l of Biotin-Labeled Detection Antibody Working Solution into each well and incubate the plate at 37°C for 60 minutes.

 5. Wash plate 3 times with Wash Buffer Working Solution, and each time let Wash Buffer Working Solution stay in the wells for 1 - 2 minutes. Discard the Wash Buffer Working Solution and blot the plate onto paper towels or other absorbent material.
 6. Add 100 μl of Streptavidin-HRP Working Solution into each well and incubate the plate at 37°C for 45 minutes.

7. Wash plate 5 times with Wash Buffer Working Solution, and each time let wash buffer stay in the wells for 1 - 2 minutes. Discard the wash buffer and blot the plate onto paper towels or other absorbent material.

8. Add 100  $\mu l$  of TMB Substrate Solution into each well and incubate plate at 37°C in dark for 10-20 minutes.

9. Add 100  $\mu l$  of Stop Solution into each well. The color changes into yellow immediately.

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10. Read the O.D. absorbance at 450nm in a microplate reader within 30 minutes after adding the Stop Solution.

For calculation, (the relative O.D.450) = (the O.D.450 of each well) - (the O.D.450 of Zero well). The standard curve can be plotted as the relative O.D.450 of each standard solution (Y) vs. the respective concentration of the standard solution (X). The concentration of the samples can be interpolated from the standard curve.

**Note:** If the samples measured were diluted, multiply the dilution factor to the concentrations from interpolation to obtain the concentration before dilution.



## IX. ASSAY PROCEDURE SUMMARY

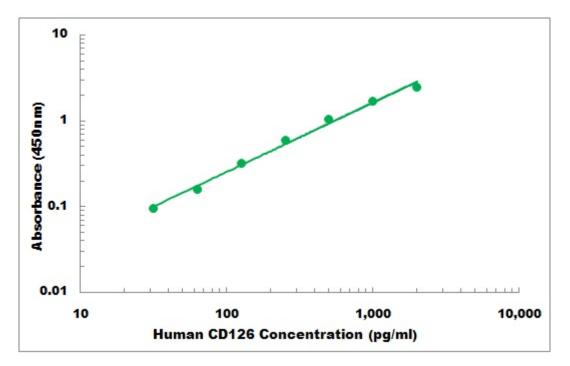


- Add 100 μl Standard or Sample
- Wash plate 3 times with Wash Buffer Working Solution
- Add 100 µl Biotin-Labeled Detection Antibody Working Solution
- Wash plate 3 times with Wash Buffer Working Solution
- Add 100 µl Streptavidin-HRP Working Solution
- Wash plate 5 times with Wash Buffer Working Solution
- Add 100 μl TMB Substrate Solution
- Add 100 µl Stop Solution
- Read the plate at 450nm



## X. TYPICAL DATA

The standard curve is for demonstration only. A standard curve must be run with each assay.



#### XI. SENSITIVITY

The minimum detectable dose of Human CD126 is typically less than 10 pg/ml.

## XII. SPECIFICITY

The Human CD126 ELISA Kit allows for the detection and quantification of endogenous levels of natural and/or recombinant Human CD126 proteins within the range of 31.2 pg/ml - 2000 pg/ml.



## XIII. CROSS REACTIVITY

No detectable cross-reactivity with other relevant proteins.

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## XV. TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

| Problem                       | Possible Cause                                   | Solution  |
|-------------------------------|--|---|
| High signal and background in | <ul> <li>Insufficient washing</li> </ul>         | Increase number of washes                       |
| all wells                     |  | <ul> <li>Increase time of soaking</li> </ul>    |
|                               |  | between in wash                                 |
|                               | <ul> <li>Too much Streptavidin-HRP</li> </ul>    | Check dilution, titration                       |
|                               | <ul> <li>Incubation time too long</li> </ul>     | <ul> <li>Reduce incubation time</li> </ul>      |
|                               | Development time too long                        | Decrease the incubation                         |
|                               |  | time before the stop solution                   |
|                               |  | is added  |
| No signal                     | <ul> <li>Reagent added in incorrect</li> </ul>   | Review protocol                                 |
|                               | order, or incorrectly prepared                   |   |
|                               | <ul> <li>Standard has gone bad (If</li> </ul>    | Check the condition of                          |
|                               | there is a signal in the sample                  | stored standard                                 |
|                               | wells)   |   |
|                               | <ul> <li>Assay was conducted from an</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Reagents allows to come to</li> </ul>  |
|                               | incorrect starting point                         | 20 - 30 °C before performing                    |
|                               |  | assay   |
| Too much signal-whole plate   | <ul> <li>Insufficient washing-unbound</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Increase number of washes</li> </ul>   |
| turned uniformly blue         | Streptavidin-HRP remaining                       | Carefully                                       |
|                               | <ul> <li>Too much Streptavidin-HRP</li> </ul>    | Check dilution                                  |
|                               | Plate sealer or reservoir                        | <ul> <li>Use fresh plate sealer and</li> </ul>  |
|                               | reused, resulting in presence of                 | reagent reservoir for each                      |
|                               | residual Streptavidin-HRP                        | step  |
| Standard curve achieved but   | <ul> <li>Plate not developed long</li> </ul>     | <ul> <li>Increase substrate solution</li> </ul> |
| poor discrimination between   | enough   | incubation time                                 |
| point                         | <ul> <li>Improper calculation of</li> </ul>      | Check dilution, make new                        |
|                               | standard curve dilution                          | standard curve                                  |
| No signal when a signal is    | Sample matrix is masking                         | More diluted sample                             |
| expected, but standard curve  | detection  | Recommended                                     |
| looks fine                    |  |   |
| Samples are reading too high, | Samples contain protein levels                   | Dilute samples and run                          |
| but standard curve is fine    | above assay range                                | Again   |
| Edge effect                   | <ul> <li>Uneven temperature around</li> </ul>    | <ul> <li>Avoid incubating plate in</li> </ul>   |
|                               | work surface                                     | areas where environmental                       |
|                               |  | conditions vary                                 |
|                               |  | <ul> <li>Use plate sealer</li> </ul>            |



## XVI. TECHNICAL SUPPORT

For troubleshooting, information or assistance, please go online to www.cohesionbio.com or contact us at techsupport@cohesionbio.com

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XVII. NOTES