

**SOP: SP040.1**

**Capture ELISA Assay with HRP Substrate**

**Materials and Reagents:**

1. 96 well ELISA plate
2. Multi-channel pipettor
3. 1-200 $\mu$ l pipet tips
4. TBST (note 1)
5. 1% BSA-TBST
6. 0.1% BSA-TBST
7. Biotinylated detection antibody
8. Streptavidin-HRP antibody (Zymed)
9. Capture antibody
10. TMB + Substrate - Chromogen developer (Dako #S1599)
11. Samples to be tested
12. 4°C cold room or fridge
13. Plate sealer
14. 0.18M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
15. Biotek Epoch multiplate reader
16. Plate washer

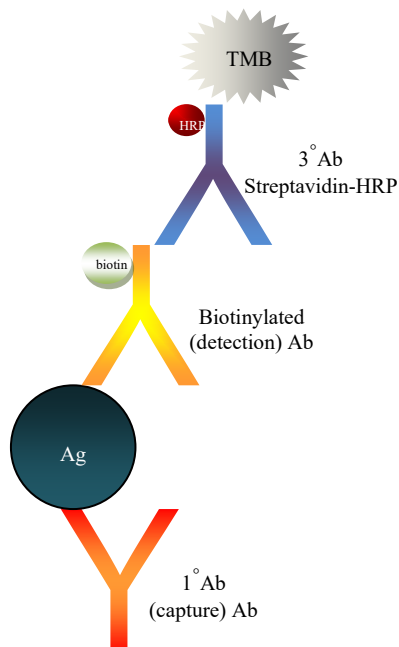
**Protocol:**

1. \_\_\_\_ Coat 96 well ELISA plate with 100 $\mu$ l capture antibody as per manufacturer's recommended concentration. Be sure to coat enough wells for all samples, and a positive and negative control.
2. \_\_\_\_ Incubate ELISA plate overnight at 4°C.
3. \_\_\_\_ Use plate washer to aspirate off antibody solution. Wash plate 3x with 300 $\mu$ l/well of TBST.
4. \_\_\_\_ Block ELISA plate with 200 $\mu$ l per well of 1% BSA-TBST solution for 1 hour.
5. \_\_\_\_ Use plate washer to aspirate off antibody solution.
6. \_\_\_\_ Transfer sample, positive and negative controls to the ELISA plate, 100 $\mu$ l/ well.
7. \_\_\_\_ Incubate for 1 ½ -2 hours at room temperature.
8. \_\_\_\_ Use plate washer to aspirate off antibody solution..
9. \_\_\_\_ Wash the plates with 100-200 $\mu$ l of TBST five times and on the fifth wash let stand for ten minutes.
10. \_\_\_\_ Prepare detection biotinylated antibody as per manufacture's recommended concentration in 0.1% BSA in TBST.
11. \_\_\_\_ Plate 100 $\mu$ l of the detection antibody and incubate for 1½ -2 hours.
12. \_\_\_\_ Discard secondary in sink.
13. \_\_\_\_ Wash the plate with TBST fives times and on the fifth wash let stand for ten minutes.
14. \_\_\_\_ Prepare the streptavidin-HRP conjugated antibody at a dilution of 1:2500 in 0.1% BSA in TBST, add 100  $\mu$ l per well.

15. \_\_\_\_ Incubate at room temperature for 1 hour.
16. \_\_\_\_ Bring 10ml of TMB substrate to room temperature per ELISA plate.
17. \_\_\_\_ Add 100µl/well of developer and watch for color change ~15-30minutes.
18. \_\_\_\_ After development, stop the reaction with 100µl/well of 0.18M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>.
19. \_\_\_\_ Read at 450nm on a microplate reader.
20. \_\_\_\_ Allow the developer to dry in a chemical hood before discarding the ELISA plate.

**Notes:**

1. TBST  
 1.21g Tris  
 8.77 g NaCl  
 pH 7.4  
 2.5 ml 20% Tween 80 or 0.5 ml Tween 80  
 q.s. to 1L with MilliQ H<sub>2</sub>O.



**Figure 1 – Diagram of Indirect (Sandwich) ELISA with HRP Substrate**