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## ELISA PRODUCT INFORMATION & MANUAL

### Human L-Selectin/CD62L ELISA Kit (Colorimetric) NBP1-84821

Enzyme-linked Immunosorbent Assay for quantitative detection. For research use only. Not for diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

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#### 1. Intended Use

The human L-Selectin/CD62L ELISA is an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay for the quantitative detection of human L-Selectin/CD62L. The human L-Selectin/CD62L ELISA is for research use only. Not for diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

#### 2. Summary

Leukocyte-Endothelial Cell Adhesion Molecule-1, L-selectin (CD26L, LECAM-1, MEL-14, LAM-1, LEU-8, TQ1, LEC.CAM-1, DREG.56) belongs to the selectin family of adhesion molecule. Together with ELAM-1 (E-selectin) and GMP-140 (P-selectin) L-selectin mediates the initial interactions of leukocytes with endothelial cells.

**Molecular structure:** The extracellular part of all selectins consists of an aminoterminal c-type lectin domain which specifically binds to carbohydrate ligands. This is followed by an EGF-like domain, and in the case of L-selectin, by 2 short consensus repeats similar to the short consensus units in complement regulatory proteins. The transmembrane portion of the molecule is followed by a short cytoplasmic tail.

Selectins guide non-activated polymorphonuclear cells to the areas of inflammation in creating first, loose contacts with the endothelial layer. L-selectin in this aspect mediates rolling of PMN's on endothelial cells. The potential binding partners of L-selectin carry a negative charge, probably a sialic acid and/or sulphate, and may contain mannose and fucose. In addition, L-selectin may also interact with ELAM-1 which is expressed on cytokine-activated endothelial cells. L-selectin is constitutively expressed on most leukocytes (PMN's, monocytes, lymphocyte subsets) in a seemingly functional form. It is required for the binding of lymphocytes to the high endothelial venules of peripheral lymph nodes (and therefore serves as a lymphocyte recirculating receptor) and for the invasion of neutrophils into sites of inflammation. When neutrophils are activated, L-selectin is shed by proteolytic cleveage near the transmembrane span. Lymphocytes and monocytes can also shed L-selectin upon activation although the kinetics are significantly lower. A broad range of activating agents including C5a, fMLP, TNF, GM-CSF, IL-8 are effective in inducing this response. The shed form of L-selectin (L-selectin) is functionally active and at high concentrations can inhibit leukocyte attachment to endothelium. The

main source for L-selectin in serum seems to be tissue localized leukocytes.

Determination of soluble/circulating L-selectin could provide more detailed insights into the pathological modifications during various diseases:

- allergy: L-selectin expression is down-modulated on eosinophils recovered from bronchoalveolar lavage fluid after allergen provocation.
- bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL): BAL transiently promotes PMN/monocyte activation and recruitment to the bronchoalveolar space. The cells respond with a complete shedding of L-selectin when they extravasate from the blood into the bronchoalveolar space.
- deep venous thrombosis (DVT): A case can be made for the participation of PMN's in the initiation and propagation of venous thrombosis. Probably via L-selectin leukocytes adhere to areas of veins that serve as sites for initiation of thrombi.
- HIV: patients suffering from HIV-infection showed markedly elevated levels of L-selectin in serum.
- insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus (IDDM): serum levels of L-selectin were found to be elevated in IDDM patients and in subjects at risk for developing IDDM.
- Kawasaki Syndrome: L-selectin levels seem to be less than those of normals.
- malignant B-cell populations: B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukaemia, hairy cell leukaemia and mantle zone lymphoma are L-selectin positive.
- **neonatal bacterial infection:** in case of intra-uterine infection lymphocytes obtained from cord blood have a diminished L-selectin expression. This is independent of gestational age, birth weight, umbilical artery pH, hematocrit, leukocyte count, absolute neutrophil count, CRP-level or maternal fever.

- sepsis: patients suffering from sepsis showed markedly elevated levels of L-selectin in serum. Vascular endothelial injury observed in overwhelming sepsis may be caused by neutrophil-derived enzymes. Adherence to endothelium is a prerequisite for this process. Measurement of L-selectin may provide further insights into the interrelationship between neutrophil activation and endothelial damage in gram-negative sepsis.
- surgery: patients undergoing cardiopulmonary bypass surgery may develop an acute post-operative capillary leak, due to endothelial injury inflicted by adherent neutrophils. In those patients L-selectin is completely lost in a small but progressively increasing proportion of PMN's, which could be responsible for the endothelial damage.

#### 3. Principles of the Test

An anti-human L-Selectin/CD62L coating antibody is adsorbed onto microwells.

Figure 1



Human L-Selectin/CD62L present in the sample or standard binds to antibodies adsorbed to the microwells and the HRPconjugated anti-human L-Selectin/CD62L antibody is added and binds to human L-Selectin/CD62L captured by the first antibody.

Following incubation unbound HRPconjugated anti-human L-Selectin/CD62L is removed during a wash step, and substrate solution reactive with HRP is added to the wells.

Standard or Sample HRP-Conjugate

Figure 2

Second Incubation

**First Incubation** 



Figure 4

A coloured product is formed in proportion to the amount of human L-Selectin/CD62L present in the sample or standard. The reaction is terminated by addition of acid and absorbance is measured at 450 nm. A standard curve is prepared from 7 human L-Selectin/CD62L standard dilutions and human L-Selectin/CD62L concentration determined.



#### 4. Reagents Provided

#### 4.1 Reagents for human L-Selectin/CD62L ELISA NBP1-84821

(96 tests)

- 1 aluminium pouch with a **Microwell Plate coated** with monoclonal antibody to human L-Selectin/CD62L
- 1 vial (6 ml) **HRP-Conjugate** anti-human L-Selectin/CD62L monoclonal antibody, ready to use
- 2 vials human L-Selectin/CD62L **Standard** lyophilized, 50 ng/ml upon reconstitution
- 1 bottle (50 ml) Sample Diluent
- 1 bottle (50 ml) **Wash Buffer Concentrate** 20x (PBS with 1% Tween 20)
- 1 vial (15 ml) **Substrate Solution** (tetramethyl-benzidine)
- 1 vial (15 ml) **Stop Solution** (1M Phosphoric acid)
- 2 Adhesive Films

**4.2 Reagents for human L-Selectin/CD62L ELISA NBP1-84821** (10x96 tests)

10 aluminium pouches with a **Microwell Plate coated** with monoclonal antibody to human L-Selectin/CD62L

10 vials (6 ml) **HRP-Conjugate** anti-human L-Selectin/CD62L monoclonal antibody

- 10 vials human L-Selectin/CD62L **Standard** lyophilized, 50 ng/ml upon reconstitution
- 10 bottles (50 ml) Sample Diluent
- 3 bottles (50 ml) **Wash Buffer Concentrate** 20x (PBS with 1% Tween 20)
- 10 vials (15 ml) Substrate Solution (tetramethyl-benzidine)
- 1 vial (100 ml) Stop Solution (1M Phosphoric acid)
- 10 Adhesive Films

#### 5. Storage Instructions – ELISA Kit

Store kit reagents between 2° and 8°C. Immediately after use remaining reagents should be returned to cold storage (2° to 8°C). Expiry of the kit and reagents is stated on labels.

Expiry of the kit components can only be guaranteed if the components are stored properly, and if, in case of repeated use of one component, this reagent is not contaminated by the first handling.

#### 6. Specimen Collection and Storage Instructions

Cell culture supernatant, serum and plasma (EDTA, heparin), were tested with this assay. Other biological samples might be suitable for use in the assay. Remove serum or plasma from the clot or cells as soon as possible after clotting and separation.

Pay attention to a possible "**Hook Effect**" due to high sample concentrations (see chapter 11).

Samples containing a visible precipitate must be clarified prior to use in the assay. Do not use grossly hemolyzed or lipemic specimens.

Samples should be aliquoted and must be stored frozen at -20°C to avoid loss of bioactive human L-Selectin/CD62L. If samples are to be run within 24 hours, they may be stored at 2° to 8°C (for sample stability refer to 13.5).

Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. Prior to assay, the frozen sample should be brought to room temperature slowly and mixed gently.

#### 7. Materials Required But Not Provided

- 5 ml and 10 ml graduated pipettes
- 5 µl to 1000 µl adjustable single channel micropipettes with disposable tips
- 50 µl to 300 µl adjustable multichannel micropipette with disposable tips
- Multichannel micropipette reservoir
- Beakers, flasks, cylinders necessary for preparation of reagents
- Device for delivery of wash solution (multichannel wash bottle or automatic wash system)
- Microwell strip reader capable of reading at 450 nm (620 nm as optional reference wave length)
- Glass-distilled or deionized water
- Statistical calculator with program to perform regression analysis

#### 8. Precautions for Use

- All reagents should be considered as potentially hazardous. We therefore recommend that this product is handled only by those persons who have been trained in laboratory techniques and that it is used in accordance with the principles of good laboratory practice. Wear suitable protective clothing such as laboratory overalls, safety glasses and gloves. Care should be taken to avoid contact with skin or eyes. In the case of contact with skin or eyes wash immediately with water. See material safety data sheet(s) and/or safety statement(s) for specific advice.
- Reagents are intended for research use only and are not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.
- Do not mix or substitute reagents with those from other lots or other sources.
- Do not use kit reagents beyond expiration date on label.
- Do not expose kit reagents to strong light during storage or incubation.
- Do not pipette by mouth.
- Do not eat or smoke in areas where kit reagents or samples are handled.
- Avoid contact of skin or mucous membranes with kit reagents or specimens.
- Rubber or disposable latex gloves should be worn while handling kit reagents or specimens.
- Avoid contact of substrate solution with oxidizing agents and metal.
- Avoid splashing or generation of aerosols.
- In order to avoid microbial contamination or cross-contamination of reagents or specimens which may invalidate the test use disposable pipette tips and/or pipettes.
- Use clean, dedicated reagent trays for dispensing the conjugate and substrate reagent.

- Exposure to acid inactivates the conjugate.
- Glass-distilled water or deionized water must be used for reagent preparation.
- Substrate solution must be at room temperature prior to use.
- Decontaminate and dispose specimens and all potentially contaminated materials as they could contain infectious agents. The preferred method of decontamination is autoclaving for a minimum of 1 hour at 121.5°C.
- Liquid wastes not containing acid and neutralized waste may be mixed with sodium hypochlorite in volumes such that the final mixture contains 1.0% sodium hypochlorite. Allow 30 minutes for effective decontamination. Liquid waste containing acid must be neutralized prior to the addition of sodium hypochlorite.

#### 9. Preparation of Reagents

**Buffer Concentrate** should be brought to room temperature and should be diluted before starting the test procedure.

If crystals have formed in the **Buffer Concentrate**, warm it gently until they have completely dissolved.

#### 9.1. Wash Buffer (1x)

Pour entire contents (50 ml) of the **Wash Buffer Concentrate** (20x) into a clean 1000 ml graduated cylinder. Bring to final volume of 1000 ml with glass-distilled or deionized water. Mix gently to avoid foaming.

Transfer to a clean wash bottle and store at  $2^{\circ}$  to  $25^{\circ}$ C. Please note that Wash Buffer (1x) is stable for 30 days.

Wash Buffer (1x) may also be prepared as needed according to the following table:

Number of Strips	Wash Buffer Concentrate (20x)	<b>Distilled Water</b>
	(ml)	(ml)
1 - 6	25	475
1 - 12	50	950

#### 9.2. Human L-Selectin/CD62L Standard

Reconstitute **human L-Selectin/CD62L standard** by addition of distilled water. Reconstitution volume is stated on the label of the standard vial. Swirl or mix gently to insure complete and homogeneous solubilization (concentration of reconstituted standard = 50 ng/ml). Allow the standard to reconstitute for 10-30 minutes. Mix well prior to making dilutions.

After usage remaining standard cannot be stored and has to be discarded.

**Standard dilutions** can be prepared directly on the microwell plate (see 10.d) or alternatively in tubes (see 9.2.1).

#### 9.2.1. External Standard Dilution

Label 7 tubes, one for each standard point.

S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7

Then prepare 1:2 serial dilutions for the standard curve as follows: Pipette 225 µl of Sample Diluent into each tube.

Pipette 225  $\mu$ l of reconstituted (concentration of standard = 50 ng/ml) into the first tube, labelled S1, and mix (concentration of standard 1 = 25 ng/ml).

Pipette 225  $\mu$ I of this dilution into the second tube, labelled S2, and mix thoroughly before the next transfer.

Repeat serial dilutions 5 more times thus creating the points of the standard curve (see Figure 5).

Sample Diluent serves as blank.



#### 10. Test Protocol

- a. Predilute your samples before starting with the test procedure. Dilute serum, plasma and cell culture samples 1:100 with Sample Diluent according to the following scheme: Dilution 1: 10 µl sample + 90 µl Sample Diluent Dilution 2: 50 µl of dilution 1 + 450 µl Sample Diluent
- b. Determine the number of microwell strips required to test the desired number of samples plus appropriate number of wells needed for running blanks and standards. Each sample, standard, blank and optional control sample should be assayed in duplicate. Remove extra microwell strips from holder and store in foil bag with the desiccant provided at 2°-8°C sealed tightly.
- c. Wash the microwell strips twice with approximately 400 µl Wash Buffer per well with thorough aspiration of microwell contents between washes. Allow the Wash Buffer to sit in the wells for about 10 – 15 seconds before aspiration. Take care not to scratch the surface of the microwells.

After the last wash step, empty wells and tap microwell strips on absorbent pad or paper towel to remove excess Wash Buffer. Use the microwell strips immediately after washing. Alternatively microwell strips can be placed upside down on a wet absorbent paper for not longer than 15 minutes. **Do not allow wells to dry**.

d. Standard dilution on the microwell plate (Alternatively the standard dilution can be prepared in tubes - see 9.2.1): Add 100 µl of Sample Diluent in duplicate to all standard wells. Pipette 100 µl of prepared standard (see Preparation of Standard 9.2, concentration = 50.0 ng/ml) in duplicate into well A1 and A2 (see Table 1). Mix the contents of wells A1 and A2 by repeated aspiration and ejection (concentration of standard 1, S1 = 25.0 ng/ml), and transfer 100 µl to wells B1 and B2, respectively (see Figure 6). Take care not to scratch the inner surface of the microwells. Continue this procedure 5 times, creating two rows of human L-Selectin/CD62L standard dilutions ranging from 50.0 to 0.4 ng/ml. Discard 100 µl of the contents from the last microwells (G1, G2) used.



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Figure 6

In case of an <u>external standard dilution</u> (see 9.2.1), pipette 100  $\mu$ l of these standard dilutions (S1 - S7) in the standard wells according to Table 1.

Table 1

Table depicting an example of the arrangement of blanks, standards and samples in the microwell strips:

	1	2	3	4
Α	Standard 1 (25.0 ng/ml)	Standard 1 (25.0 ng/ml)	Sample 1	Sample 1
В	Standard 2 (12.5 ng/ml)	Standard 2 (12.5 ng/ml)	Sample 2	Sample 2
С	Standard 3 (6.3 ng/ml)	Standard 3 (6.3 ng/ml)	Sample 3	Sample 3
D	Standard 4 (3.2 ng/ml)	Standard 4 (3.2 ng/ml)	Sample 4	Sample 4
E	Standard 5 (1.6 ng/ml)	Standard 5 (1.6 ng/ml)	Sample 5	Sample 5
F	Standard 6 (0.8 ng/ml)	Standard 6 (0.8 ng/ml)	Sample 6	Sample 6
G	Standard 7 (0.4 ng/ml)	Standard 7 (0.4 ng/ml)	Sample 7	Sample 7
н	Blank	Blank	Sample 8	Sample 8

- e. Add 100 µl of Sample Diluent in duplicate to the blank wells.
- f. Add 50 µl of **Sample Diluent** to the **sample wells**.
- g. Add 50 µl of each sample in duplicate to the sample wells.
- h. Add 50 µl of HRP-Conjugate to all wells.
- i. Cover with an adhesive film and incubate at room temperature (18 to 25°C) for 2 hours, if available on a microplate shaker set at 400 rpm.
- j. Remove adhesive film and empty wells. **Wash** microwell strips 3 times according to point c. of the test protocol. Proceed immediately to the next step.
- k. Pipette 100 µl of TMB Substrate Solution to all wells.
- I. Incubate the microwell strips at room temperature (18° to 25°C) for about 10 min. Avoid direct exposure to intense light.

The colour development on the plate should be monitored and the substrate reaction stopped (see next point of this protocol) before positive wells are no longer properly recordable. Determination of the ideal time period for colour development has to be done individually for each assay.

It is recommended to add the stop solution when the highest standard has developed a dark blue colour. Alternatively the colour development can be monitored by the ELISA reader at 620 nm. The substrate reaction should be stopped as soon as Standard 1 has reached an OD of 0.9 - 0.95.

m. Stop the enzyme reaction by quickly pipetting 100 µl of Stop Solution into each well. It is important that the Stop Solution is spread quickly and uniformly throughout the microwells to completely inactivate the enzyme. Results must be read immediately after the Stop Solution is added or within one hour if the microwell strips are stored at 2 - 8°C in the dark.

- n. Read absorbance of each microwell on a spectro-photometer using 450 nm as the primary wave length (optionally 620 nm as the reference wave length; 610 nm to 650 nm is acceptable). Blank the plate reader according to the manufacturer's instructions by using the blank wells. Determine the absorbance of both the samples and the standards.
- Note: In case of incubation without shaking the obtained O.D. values may be lower than indicated below. Nevertheless the results are still valid.

#### **11. Calculation of Results**

- Calculate the average absorbance values for each set of duplicate standards and samples. Duplicates should be within 20 per cent of the mean value.
- Create a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance for each standard concentration on the ordinate against the human L-selectin concentration on the abscissa. Draw a best fit curve through the points of the graph (a 5-parameter curve fit is recommended).
- To determine the concentration of circulating human L-Selectin/ CD62L for each sample, first find the mean absorbance value on the ordinate and extend a horizontal line to the standard curve. At the point of intersection, extend a vertical line to the abscissa and read the corresponding human L-Selectin/CD62L concentration.
- If instructions in this protocol have been followed, samples have been diluted 1:200 (1:100 external predilution, 1:2 dilution on the plate: 50 µl sample + 50 µl Sample Diluent) and the concentration read from the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor (x 200).
- Calculation of 1:100 prediluted samples with a concentration exceeding standard 1 may result in incorrect, low human L-Selectin/CD62L levels (Hook Effect). Such samples require further external predilution according to expected human L-Selectin/CD62L values with Sample Diluent in order to precisely quantitate the actual human L-Selectin/CD62L level.
- It is suggested that each testing facility establishes a control sample of known human L-Selectin/CD62L concentration and runs this additional control with each assay. If the values obtained are not within the expected range of the control, the assay results may be invalid.
- A representative standard curve is shown in Figure 7. This curve cannot be used to derive test results. Each laboratory must prepare a standard curve for each group of microwell strips assayed.

Figure 7

Representative standard curve for human L-Selectin/CD62L ELISA. Human L-Selectin/CD62L was diluted in serial 2-fold steps in Sample Diluent . Do not use this standard curve to derive test results. A standard curve must be run for each group of microwell strips assayed.



Table 2

Typical data using the human L-Selectin/CD62L ELISA Measuring wavelength: 450 nm Reference wavelength: 620 nm

	Human L-Selectin/CD62L Concentration	O D at	Mean O.D. at	СV
Standard	(ng/ml)	450 nm	450 nm	(%)
1	25.0	2.273	2.228	2.0
		2.183		
2	12.5	1.207	1.189	1.5
		1.172		
3	6.3	0.489	0.465	
		0.440		
4	3.2	0.174	0.166	4.9
		0.158		
5	1.6	0.081	0.078	2.9
		0.076		
6	0.8	0.039	0.038	2.0
		0.037		
7	0.4	0.024	0.024	0
		0.024		
Blank	0	0.015	0.015	3.4
		0.014		

The OD values of the standard curve may vary according to the conditions of assay performance (e.g. operator, pipetting technique, washing technique or temperature effects). Furthermore shelf life of the kit may affect enzymatic activity and thus colour intensity. Values measured are still valid.

#### 12. Limitations

- Since exact conditions may vary from assay to assay, a standard curve must be established for every run.
- Bacterial or fungal contamination of either screen samples or reagents or cross-contamination between reagents may cause erroneous results.
- Disposable pipette tips, flasks or glassware are preferred, reusable glassware must be washed and thoroughly rinsed of all detergents before use.
- Improper or insufficient washing at any stage of the procedure will result in either false positive or false negative results. Empty wells completely before dispensing fresh wash solution, fill with Wash Buffer as indicated for each wash cycle and do not allow wells to sit uncovered or dry for extended periods.
- The use of radioimmunotherapy has significantly increased the number of patients with human anti-mouse IgG antibodies (HAMA). HAMA may interfere with assays utilizing murine monoclonal antibodies leading to both false positive and false negative results. Serum samples containing antibodies to murine immunoglobulins can still be analysed in such assays when murine immunoglobulins (serum, ascitic fluid, or monoclonal antibodies of irrelevant specificity) are added to the sample.

#### **13. Performance Characteristics**

#### 13.1. Sensitivity

The limit of detection of human L-Selectin/CD62L defined as the analyte concentration resulting in an absorbance significantly higher than that of the dilution medium (mean plus 2 standard deviations) was determined to be 0.198 ng/ml (mean of 6 independent assays).

#### 13.2. Reproducibility

#### 13.2.1. Intra-assay

Reproducibility within the assay was evaluated in 3 independent experiments. Each assay was carried out with 6 replicates of 8 serum samples containing different concentrations of human L-Selectin/ CD62L. 2 standard curves were run on each plate. Data below show the mean human L-Selectin/CD62L concentration and the coefficient of variation for each sample (see Table 3). The calculated overall intra-assay coefficient of variation was 3.7%. Table 3

The mean human L-Selectin/CD62L concentration and the coefficient of variation for each sample

		Mean Human L-Selectin/CD62L Concentration	Coefficient of Variation
Sample	Experiment	(ng/ml)	(%)
1	1	1195.3	3.4
	2	1205.7	1.8
	3	1019.7	11.7
2	1	1144.3	1.8
	2	1162.8	2.8
	3	1002.9	2.5
3	1	1411.5	3.3
	2	1407.8	5.8
	3	1245.0	3.6
4	1	722.0	0.5
	2	774.2	2.1
	3	777.8	4.3
5	1	1301.6	1.7
	2	1284.5	6.6
	3	1216.8	6.0
6	1	1021.0	2.1
	2	997.7	2.9
	3	1010.2	6.0
7	1	867.4	2.0
	2	839.2	0.6
	3	808.4	4.3
8	1	603.1	2.3
	2	546.6	2.6
	3	560.0	7.4

#### 13.2.2. Inter-assay

Assay to assay reproducibility within one laboratory was evaluated in 3 independent experiments. Each assay was carried out with 6 replicates of 8 serum samples containing different concentrations of human L-Selectin/CD62L. 2 standard curves were run on each plate. Data below show the mean human L-Selectin/CD62L concentration and the coefficient of variation calculated on 18 determinations of each sample (see Table 4). The calculated overall inter-assay coefficient of variation was 4.2%.

Table 4

The mean human L-Selectin/CD62L concentration and the coefficient of variation of each sample

Sample	Mean Human L-Selectin/ CD62L Concentration (ng/ml)	Coefficient of Variation (%)
1	1140.2	7.5
2	1103.3	6.5
3	1354.7	5.7
4	758.0	3.4
5	1267.6	2.9
6	1009.7	0.9
7	838.6	2.9
8	569.9	4.2

#### 13.3. Spike Recovery

The spike recovery was evaluated by spiking 3 levels of human L-Selectin/CD62L into serum. Recoveries were determined in 3 independent experiments with 6 replicates each.

The amount of endogenous human L-Selectin/CD62L in unspiked serum was subtracted from the spike values.

The recovery ranged from 85% to 118% with an overall mean recovery of 99% (see Table 5).

Experiment	Spike high (%)	Spike medium (%)	Spike low (%)
1	85	118	101
2	101	109	99
3	80	111	91

Table 5

#### 13.4. Dilution Parallelism

Serum samples with different levels of human L-Selectin/CD62L were analysed at serial 2 fold dilutions with 4 replicates each. The recovery ranged from 82% to 96% with an overall recovery of 89% (see Table 6).

Table 6

Sample	Dilution	Expected Human L-Selectin/CD62L Concentration (ng/ml)	Observed Human L-Selectin/ CD62L Concentration (ng/ml)	Recovery of Expected Human L-Selectin/ CD62L Concentration (%)
1	1:200		1498.4	
	1:400	749.2	656.4	87.6
	1:800	374.6	351.2	93.8
	1:1600	187.3	154.0	82.2
2	1:200		1362.8	
	1:400	681.4	613.8	90.1
	1:800	340.7	318.8	93.6
	1:1600	170.3	148.6	87.2
3	1:200		1576.0	
	1:400	788.0	689.6	87.5
	1:800	394.0	374.0	94.9
	1:1600	197.0	166.3	84.4
4	1:200		957.9	
	1:400	478.9	457.6	95.6
	1:800	239.5	202.2	84.4
	1:1600	119.7	104.6	87.4

#### 13.5. Sample Stability

#### 13.5.1. Freeze-Thaw Stability

Aliquots of serum samples (spiked or unspiked) were stored at -20°C and thawed 5 times, and the human L-Selectin/CD62L levels determined. There was no significant loss of human L-Selectin/CD62L immunoreactivity detected by freezing and thawing.

#### 13.5.2. Storage Stability

Aliquots of serum samples (spiked or unspiked) were stored at -20°C, 2-8°C, room temperature (RT) and at 37°C, and the human L-Selectin/CD62L level determined after 24 h. There was no significant loss of human L-Selectin/CD62L immunoreactivity detected during storage under above conditions.

#### 13.6. Specificity

The assay detects both natural and recombinant human L-Selectin/ CD62L. The interference of IL-8, ICAM-1, TNF-R, TNF alpha, TNF beta, CD8, IL-2, IL-2R, IL-6, IL-6R, IL-10, and E-selectin, CD44 and HER-2 was evaluated by spiking these proteins at physiologically relevant concentrations into a human L-Selectin/CD62L positive serum. There was no crossreactivity detected.

#### 13.7. Expected Values

A panel of 22 sera samples from randomly selected apparently healthy donors (males and females) was tested for human L-Selectin/CD62L. The detected human L-Selectin/CD62L levels ranged between 487.3 and 1096.3 ng/ml with a mean level of 842.0 ng/ml and a standard deviation of 168.9 ng/ml.

#### 14. Reagent Preparation Summary

#### 14.1. Wash Buffer (1x)

Add Wash Buffer Concentrate 20x (50 ml) to 950 ml distilled water.

Number of Strips	Wash Buffer Concentrate (ml)	Distilled Water (ml)
1 - 6	25	475
1 - 12	50	950

#### 14.2. Human L-Selectin/CD62L Standard

Reconstitute lyophilized human L-Selectin/CD62L standard with distilled water. (Reconstitution volume is stated on the label of the standard vial.)

#### **15. Test Protocol Summary**

- 1. Predilute sample with Sample Diluent 1:100.
- 2. Determine the number of microwell strips required.
- 3. Wash microwell strips twice with Wash Buffer.
- Standard dilution on the microwell plate: Add 100 μl Sample Diluent , in duplicate, to all standard wells. Pipette 100 μl prepared standard into the first wells and create standard dilutions by transferring 100 μl from well to well. Discard 100 μl from the last wells.

Alternatively <u>external standard dilution</u> in tubes (see 9.2.1): Pipette 100  $\mu$ I of these standard dilutions in the microwell strips.

- 5. Add 100 µl Sample Diluent , in duplicate, to the blank wells.
- 6. Add 50 µl Sample Diluent to sample wells.
- 7. Add 50 µl sample in duplicate, to designated sample wells.
- 8. Add 50 HRP-Conjugate, ready to use to all wells.
- Cover microwell strips and incubate 2 hours at room temperature (18° to 25°C).
- 10. Empty and wash microwell strips 3 times with Wash Buffer.
- 11. Add 100 µl of TMB Substrate Solution to all wells.
- 12. Incubate the microwell strips for about 10 minutes at room temperature (18° to 25°C).
- 13. Add 100 µl Stop Solution to all wells.
- 14. Blank microwell reader and measure colour intensity at 450 nm.

Note: If instructions in this protocol have been followed, samples have been diluted 1:200 (50  $\mu$ l 1:100 prediluted sample + 50  $\mu$ l Sample Diluent ) and the concentration read from the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor (x 200).