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For use with EDTA plasma and serum.

Catalog numbers of U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) Singleplex Assays are provided in Table 12 on page 17.

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Introduction

The MSD U-PLEX platform combines high sensitivity and a rapid read time (less than 2 minutes) with the flexibility to easily design and build custom assays and efficiently transition from singleplex to multiplex assays. U-PLEX Singleplex assays have high sensitivity, provide up to 5 logs of linear dynamic range, and use minimal sample volume.

The U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) contains 21 analytes (Table 1) that are important in many biological processes.

A representative data set for each of the assays in U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) is presented in the product-specific datasheets available at www.mesoscale.com/datasheets.

Table 1. Assays in U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) should use this singleplex product insert

| | Assays | |
|---------------|---------------------|-----------|
| A2M | Complement factor D | RBP4 |
| Adiponectin | CRP | SAA |
| ApoA1 | Cystatin C | Serpin A1 |
| ApoC3 | DPPIV | SHBG |
| CA1 | Factor VII | sTfR-1 |
| Clusterin | ICAM-1 | VCAM-1 |
| Complement C9 | NGAL/LCN2 | vWF |



Principle of the Assay

Singleplex assays are supplied on MSD GOLD™ Small Spot Streptavidin 96-well or MSD Streptavidin 384-well plates.

Each singleplex assay is supplied with a biotinylated capture antibody that binds to streptavidin on the plate surface. Analytes in the sample bind to the capture reagents. Detection antibodies labeled with electrochemiluminescent labels (MSD GOLD SULFO-TAGTM) bind to the analytes to complete the sandwich immunoassay (Figure 1). Once the immunoassay is complete, the U-PLEX plate is loaded into an MSD[®] instrument where a voltage applied to the plate electrodes causes the captured labels to emit light. The instrument measures the intensity of emitted light (which is proportional to the amount of analyte present in the sample) and provides a quantitative measure of each analyte in the sample.

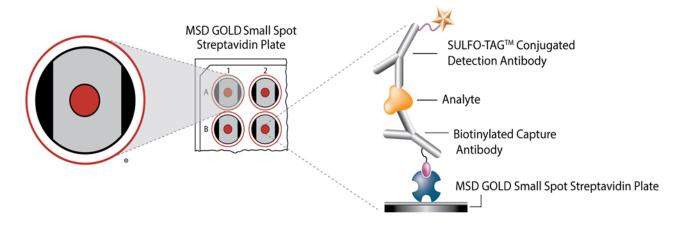


Figure 1. U-PLEX singleplex assay on an MSD GOLD 96-well Small Spot Streptavidin Plate. The 384-well assay is similar.



Components

Table 2 and Table 3 list the components provided with U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) Singleplex Assays.

Reagents Supplied with U-PLEX Singleplex Assays

Table 2. Reagents that are supplied with all U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) Singleplex Assays

| Doggont | Storage | Catalog | Size | C | Quantity Suppli | Description | | |
|---|--------------------|---------|----------|----------|-----------------|-------------|---|--|
| Reagent | Storage | No. | SIZE | 1 plate | 5 plates | 25 plates | Description | |
| MSD GOLD 96-Well Small Spot Streptavidin SECTOR Plate | 2–8 °C | L45SA-1 | | 1 plata | 5 platas | 25 platas | 96-well plate, foil sealed, with desiccant | |
| MSD GOLD 96-Well Small Spot Streptavidin QuickPlex Plate | 2 - 0 C | L4BSA-1 | | 1 plate | 5 plates | 25 plates | | |
| Diluent 100 | 2–8 °C | R50AA-2 | 200 mL | 1 bottle | 3 bottles | 3 bottles | Diluent for capture antibody | |
| Dilucit 100 | 2 0 | R50AA-3 | 1,000 mL | | _ | 2 bottles | and samples | |
| Diluont 10 | ≤-10 °C | R50JA-3 | 50 mL | 1 bottle | 3 bottles | | Diluent for samples and | |
| Diluent 12 | 2 10 0 | R50JA-2 | 200 mL | _ | _ | 3 bottles | Calibrator | |
| Diluent 11 | ≤-10 °C | R55BA-5 | 10 mL | 1 bottle | _ | _ | Diluent for detection antibody | |
| Diluciil 11 | | R55BA-3 | 50 mL | | 1 bottle | 5 bottles | Diluent for detection antibody | |
| MOD COLD Dead Duffer D | | R60AM-1 | 18 mL | 1 bottle | _ | _ | Buffer to catalyze the | |
| MSD GOLD Read Buffer B | RT | R60AM-2 | 90 mL | _ | 1 bottle | 5 bottles | electrochemiluminescent reaction | |

Dash (—) = not applicable RT = room temperature

Table 3. Reagents that are supplied with all U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) 384-well Singleplex Assays

| Reagent | Ctorogo | Catalog No. | Size | Quantit | y Supplied | Description | |
|---|---------|-------------|----------|----------------------|------------|---|--|
| neayeni | Storage | Galalog No. | SIZE | 5 Plates | 25 Plates | Description | |
| MSD 384-well Streptavidin SECTOR Plate | 2–8 °C | L21SA-1 | 1 | 5 plates 25 plates | | 384-well plate, foil sealed, with desiccant | |
| Diluent 100 | 2–8 °C | R50AA-3 | 1,000 mL | varies by assay | | Diluent for biotinylated capture antibody and sample dilution | |
| Diluent 12 | ≤-10 °C | R50JA-2 | 200 mL | varies by assay | | Diluent for samples and Calibrators | |
| Diluent 11 | ≤-10 °C | R55BA-3 | 50 mL | 2 bottles 10 bottles | | Diluent for detection antibody | |
| MSD GOLD Read Buffer B | RT | R60AM-2 | 90 mL | 1 bottle | 5 bottles | Buffer to catalyze the electrochemiluminescent reaction | |

Dash (—) = not applicable RT = room temperature



Assay-Specific Reagents

U-PLEX Antibody Set

Based upon the analyte selected, you will receive a U-PLEX Antibody Set containing a biotinylated capture antibody and SULFO-TAG conjugated detection antibody (Table 4). A complete list of all Antibody Sets available for U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) and their respective catalog numbers is provided in the Appendix (Table 13).

Table 4. Contents of U-PLEX Antibody Sets

| Name | Ctorogo | Size | (| Quantity Sup | plied | Description | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|-----------|--|--|
| Name | Storage | Size | 1 Plate | 5 Plates | 25 Plates | Description | |
| U-PLEX Human Analyte- | 2–8 °C | 1-Plate | 1 | _ | _ | Set containing biotinylated capture antibody and | |
| specific Antibody Set | 2-0 C | 5-Plate | _ | 1 | 5 | SULFO-TAG conjugated detection antibody | |

Dash (—) = not applicable

Calibrators

Calibrators (Table 5) contain one or more analytes and may be either lyophilized or frozen in a buffered diluent. Individual analyte concentrations are provided in the lot-specific certificates of analysis (COA). Depending on the specific assays requested, one or more of the following Calibrators will be provided.

Table 5. Analytes included in the Calibrator blends available for U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human)

| Name | Ctorogo | Catalog | Ciro | C | uantity Supp | lied | Analytoo |
|-------------------------------|---------|--|--------|----------|-------------------------------------|----------|--|
| Name | Storage | No. | Size | 1 Plate | 1 Plate 5 Plates | | Analytes |
| Calibrator 24 | 2–8 °C | C0351-2 1 vial 1 vial 5 vials 25 vials | | 25 vials | DPPIV, ICAM-1, SAA, SHBG, VCAM-1 | | |
| Calibrator 25 | 2–8 °C | C0352-2 | 1 vial | 1 vial | 5 vials | 25 vials | CA1, Complement factor D, CRP, Cystatin C, Factor VII, NGAL/LCN2, sTfR-1 |
| Calibrator 26 | 2–8 °C | C0353-2 | 1 vial | 1 vial | 5 vials | 25 vials | A2M, Adiponectin, ApoA1, ApoC3, Complement C9, RBP4, Serpin A1 |
| Human Clusterin Calibrator | ≤-70 °C | C01B9-2 | 1 vial | 1 vial | 5 vials | 25 vials | Clusterin |
| Human vWF Calibrator | 2–8 °C | C01C9-2 | 1 vial | 1 vial | 5 vials | 25 vials | vWF |



Instrument Compatibility

MSD offers U-PLEX assays designed for use on specific instrument platforms (Table 6).

Table 6. Instrument compatibility

| Instrument | Assays on 96-well SECTOR plates | Assays on 96-well QuickPlex plates | Assays on 384-well SECTOR plates |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| MESO® QuickPlex SQ 120 | Υ | _ | _ |
| MESO QuickPlex® SQ 120MM | Υ | _ | _ |
| MESO SECTOR® S 600 | Υ | _ | Υ |
| MESO SECTOR S 600MM | Υ | _ | Υ |
| MESO QuickPlex Q 60MM | | Υ | _ |

Dash (—) = not applicable

Additional Materials and Equipment

| | Appropriately sized tubes for reagent preparation |
|---|--|
| _ | Appropriately sized tubes for reagent preparation |
| | Polypropylene microcentrifuge tubes for preparing dilutions |
| | Liquid-handling equipment suitable for dispensing 10 to 150 μL/well into a 96-well or 384-well microtiter plate |
| | Plate-washing equipment: automated plate washer or multichannel pipette |
| | Microtiter plate shaker (rotary) capable of shaking at 500-1,000 rpm (1,500 rpm for 384-well plates) |
| | MSD® Wash Buffer (20X, 100 mL, catalog number R61AA-1) for plate washing. |
| | • The standard protocol uses a minimum of 415 mL of 1X Wash Buffer for a 384-well plate and 130 mL for a 96-we plate. Automated plate washers may need overage added to these volumes. |
| | Adhesive plate seals |
| | Deionized water |
| | Vortex mixer |
| | Diluent 100 (catalog number R50AA) may be needed to dilute samples. |

Safety

Use safe laboratory practices. Wear gloves, safety glasses, and lab coats when handling assay components. Handle and dispose of all hazardous samples properly in accordance with local, state, and federal guidelines.

Additional product-specific safety information is available in the applicable safety data sheet(s) (SDS), which can be obtained from MSD Customer Service or at the www.mesoscale.com® website.



Best Practices

- Bring frozen diluents to room temperature in a 20–26 °C water bath before use. If a controlled water bath is not available, thaw at room temperature. Diluents may also be thawed overnight at 2–8 °C.
- Ensure that diluents, Wash Buffer, and Read Buffer are equilibrated to room temperature before use. Mix well before use. Plates should be brought to room temperature before opening the foil packet.
- To avoid cross-contamination between vials, open vials for one protocol step at a time. Use filtered pipette tips and use a fresh pipette tip for each reagent addition.
- MSD assays are tested and characterized between 21–26 °C; testing outside this temperature range may result in increased variability.
- Prepare calibrators, samples, and controls in a polypropylene container of sufficient volume.
- Avoid prolonged exposure of detection antibody (stock or diluted) to light. During the antibody incubation step, plates should not be exposed to direct sunlight.
- To ensure that all lyophilized powder is reconstituted, it is recommended that vials be inverted 3 times to distribute the diluent inside the vial. Then vortex the vial with 3 short pulses (upright, inverted, upright) after the solution sits at room temperature for the recommended amount of time in the product protocol.
- Ensure that all reagents are within their expiration date at the time of the test.
- For additional accuracy and precision, prewet pipette tips before transferring reagents and samples. Avoid pipetting bubbles while doing so.
- Plate shaking should be vigorous, with a rotary motion between 500 and 1,000 rpm for 96-well plates and 1,000–1,500 rpm for 384-well plates. Binding reactions may reach equilibrium sooner if you use shaking at the middle of the range or above. For long-term studies, the shaking speed and shaker model be kept consistent.
- Tap the plate on a paper towel after washing to ensure the removal of residual fluid.
- Consistent incubation times will improve the reproducibility of test results.
- Ensure that all necessary instruments, equipment, and reagents for the next step are prepared before washing the plates to prevent the plates from drying out.
- Avoid excessive drying of the plate during washing steps, especially if working inside a laminar flow hood or another high
 airflow environment. Cover the plate with a new plate seal immediately after washing to protect it from airflow and add
 solutions to the plate as soon as possible.
- Use a new adhesive plate seal for all incubation steps. Avoid reusing plate seals.
- Avoid creating bubbles in wells during all pipetting steps as they may lead to variable results.
- Use reverse pipetting when necessary and do not blow out residual liquid to avoid the introduction of bubbles. For empty
 wells, pipette gently to the bottom corner.
- Dispense reagents and wash fluids at the side of the well towards the bottom corner away from the coated spots.
- Protect plates from sources of heat such as vents, sunlight, etc. which may introduce variability across the plate surface. Some models of shakers generate heat that may affect plates on the platform.
- Ensure that all equipment is serviced and calibrated on a routine basis.
- Remove the plate seal before reading the plate.



- Read Buffer should be at room temperature (20–26 °C) before adding it to the plate.
- Keep time intervals consistent between the addition of Read Buffer and reading the plate to improve inter-plate precision.
 It is recommended that an MSD instrument be prepared to read a plate before adding Read Buffer. Unless otherwise directed, read the plate as soon as possible after adding Read Buffer.
- Do not shake the plate after adding Read Buffer.
- Do not obscure or damage the plate barcode; it is required for the plate reader.
- Only use the Read Buffer and Wash Buffer recommended for use with this kit.
- For 384-well assays, the protocol assumes the use of automated plate washers that can begin to aspirate before the total 90 μL is dispensed. If this ability is not present, reduce the wash volume to 80 μL to avoid overflowing the wells.
- Aliquot and freeze Diluent 100 to prevent contamination after opening.

Reagent Preparation

Bring all reagents to room temperature and refer to the Best Practices section (page 9) before beginning the protocol.

Important: Upon the first thaw, aliquot diluents into suitable volumes before refreezing.

To prepare MSD Wash Buffer and other supplemental reagents, please refer to the Additional Materials and Equipment section (page 8).

Coat 96-well Plate

| Coat the plate according | gly: |
|--------------------------|------|
|--------------------------|------|

| Add 200 µL of biotinylated capture antibody to 3.3 mL of Diluent 100. Mix by vortexing. |
|--|
| Add 25 μ L of the above solution to the wells of the provided MSD GOLD Small Spot Streptavidin Plate. Tap the plate gently |
| on all sides. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal and incubate with shaking at room temperature for 1 hour or at 2- |
| 8 °C overnight |

| Wash the plate | 3 times v | with at least | 150 ul / v | vell of | 1X MSD | Wash Buf | fer The | nlate is n | low coated an | ıd readv for use. |
|----------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|---------|--------|----------|---------|------------|---------------|-------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | |

Coat 384-well Plate

| _ | Add 240 µL of biotinylated capture antibody to 11.76 mL of Diluent 100. Mix by vortexing. |
|---------|---|
| _ | Add 25 μ L of the above solution to each well of the provided plate. Tap the plate gently on all sides. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal and incubate with shaking at room temperature for 2 hours. |
| | Wash the plate 3 times with 90 μ L/well of 1X MSD Wash Buffer. The plate is now coated and ready for use. Plates may be sealed and stored overnight at 4 °C. |



Prepare Calibrator Standards

The following instructions will enable you to prepare 7 Calibrator Standards plus a zero Calibrator standard for up to four replicates (Figure 2; Table 7).

For Lyophilized Calibrators

Bring the Calibrator vial that is provided to room temperature. Reconstitute each vial of Calibrator by adding $250 \,\mu\text{L}$ of Assay Diluent Working Solution to the glass vial. This will result in a 10X concentrated stock of each Calibrator, which will need to be diluted 10-fold (Figure 2; Table 7) to generate the highest point in the standard curve (i.e., Calibrator Standard 1). Invert the reconstituted Calibrator at least 3 times. Do not vortex. Let the reconstituted solution equilibrate at room temperature for 15–30 minutes and then vortex briefly. The Calibrator is now ready for use. Keep the dilutions at room temperature.

For Liquid Calibrators:

Thaw the stock Calibrator(s) and keep it on ice. The thawed Calibrator will need to be diluted 5-fold (per the instructions given below) to generate the highest point in the standard curve (i.e., Calibrator Standard 1). Once thawed, the Calibrator is ready to use. Keep dilution(s) at room temperature.

Note: We recommend that reconstituted Calibrators be used immediately. If storage is necessary, divide Calibrators into suitably sized aliquots (60 μ L aliquots are recommended) and store immediately at \leq -70 °C. For the lot-specific concentration of each Calibrator in the blend, refer to the COA supplied with the product. You can also find a copy of the COA at www.mesoscale.com.

The following instructions (see Figure 2; Table 7) will enable you to prepare seven Calibrator Standard solutions plus a zero Calibrator Standard for up to six replicates.

- Prepare Calibrator Standard 1 by adding 25 μL of the reconstituted or thawed Calibrator to 225 μL of Assay Diluent. Mix by vortexing.
- ☐ For Calibrator Standard 2, add 75 µL of Calibrator Standard 1 to 225 µL of Assay Diluent. Mix by vortexing.
- Repeat 4-fold serial dilutions 5 additional times to generate a total of 7 Calibrator Standards. Mix by vortexing between each serial dilution.
- ☐ Use Assay Diluent as Calibrator Standard 8 (zero Calibrator/blank).

Note: For the lot-specific concentration of Calibrators in the blend, refer to the COA supplied with the assay. You can also find a copy of the COA at www.mesoscale.com.

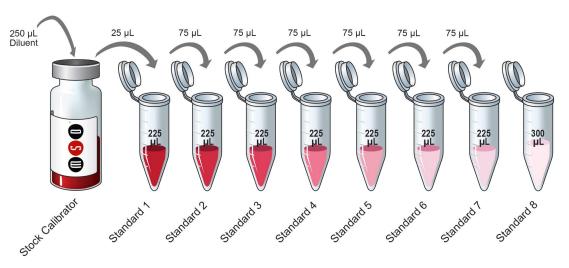


Figure 2. Dilution schema for Calibrator standards for U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) Singleplex Assays.



Table 7. Serial dilution to generate the standard curve

| Calibrator Standard No. | Tube No. | Source of Calibrator | Volume of Reconstituted Calibrator (µL) | Assay Diluent (µL) | Total Volume (µL) |
|----------------------------|----------|---|--|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 1 | Calibrator Standard 1 (top of curve) | 25 | 225 | 250 |
| 2 | 2 | From tube 1 | 75 | 225 | 300 |
| 3 | 3 | From tube 2 | 75 | 225 | 300 |
| 4 | 4 | From tube 3 | 75 | 225 | 300 |
| 5 | 5 | From tube 4 | 75 | 225 | 300 |
| 6 | 6 | From tube 5 | 75 | 225 | 300 |
| 7 | 7 | From tube 6 | 75 | 225 | 300 |
| 8 (zero Calibrator) | 8 | _ | 0 | 300 | 300 |

Dash (—) = not applicable

Sample Dilution, 4,000-fold

Based on in-house testing of normal samples, a 4,000-fold dilution is recommended for CA1, Clusterin, Complement factor D, CRP, Cystatin C, DPPIV, Factor VII, ICAM-1, NGAL/LCN2, SAA, SHBG, sTfR-1, VCAM-1 and vWF before loading onto the plate (Table 8). See Table 5 for recommended Calibrators.

Table 8. Dilute samples 4,000-fold

| Analytes | | | | |
|------------|-----------|---------------------|--------|--|
| CA1 | Clusterin | Complement factor D | CRP | |
| Cystatin C | DPPIV | Factor VII | ICAM-1 | |
| NGAL/LCN2 | SAA | SHBG | sTfR-1 | |
| VCAM-1 | vWF | _ | _ | |

Dash (—) = not applicable

A two-step dilution procedure is encouraged. First, dilute the sample 100-fold by adding 10 μ L of samples to 990 μ L of Diluent 100. Dilute the sample one more time 40-fold by adding 10 μ L of diluted sample to 390 μ L of Diluent 12. The sample is now diluted 4,000-fold (Figure 3; Table 9).

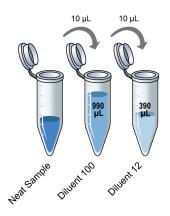
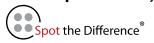


Figure 3. Dilution schema for preparation of samples diluted 4,000-fold.

Table 9. Dilution for optimal sample analysis

| Dilution Step | Tube No. | Dilution Fold | Source | Source Volume | Diluent (µL) | Diluent Type | Total Volume (μL) |
|---------------|----------|---------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 1 | 100 | Neat Sample | 10 | 990 | Diluent 100 | 1,000 |
| 2 | 2 | 40 | From tube 1 | 10 | 390 | Diluent 12 | 400 |

Sample Dilution, 200,000-fold



Based on in-house testing of normal samples, a 200,000-fold dilution is recommended for A2M, Adiponectin, Apo1, ApoC3, Complement 9, RBP4, and SerpinA1 before loading onto the plate (Table 10). See Table 5 for recommended Calibrators.

Table 10. Dilute samples 200,000-fold

| | Ana | lytes | |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|-------|
| A2M | Adiponectin | Apo1 | ApoC3 |
| Complement C9 | RBP4 | Serpin A1 | _ |

Dash (—) = not applicable

A three-step dilution procedure is encouraged. First, dilute the sample 100-fold by adding 10 μ L of sample to 990 μ L of Diluent 100. Dilute the sample again 100-fold by adding 10 μ L of diluted sample to 990 μ L of Diluent 100. Dilute the sample one more time 20-fold by adding 10 μ L of diluted sample to 190 μ L. The sample is now diluted 200,000-fold (Figure 4; Table 11).

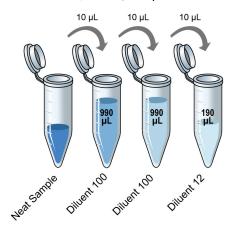


Figure 4. Dilution schema for preparation of samples diluted 200,000-fold.

Table 11. Dilution for optimal sample analysis

| Dilution Step | Tube No. | Dilution Fold | Source | Source Volume | Diluent (µL) | Diluent Type | Total Volume (µL) |
|---------------|----------|---------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 1 | 100 | Neat Sample | 10 | 990 | Diluent 100 | 1,000 |
| 2 | 2 | 100 | From tube 1 | 10 | 990 | Diluent 100 | 1,000 |
| 3 | 3 | 20 | From tube 2 | 10 | 190 | Diluent 12 | 200 |

Prepare Detection Antibody Solution

The detection antibody is provided as a 100X stock solution. The working solution is 1X for 96-well plates and 0.5X for 384-well plates. Prepare the detection antibody solution immediately before use.

- ☐ For one plate, combine:
 - 60 µL of the supplied 100X detection antibody
 - 5,940 μL of Diluent 11 (11.94 mL for 384-well assays)



Wash Buffer

Prepare a 1X working solution by diluting the 20X stock with deionized water. 1X MSD Wash Buffer can be stored at room temperature for up to two weeks.

Read Buffer

MSD provides MSD GOLD Read Buffer B ready for use. Do not dilute.



Assay Protocols

Note: Follow Reagent Preparation before beginning this assay protocol.

96-well Plate Assays

STEP 1: Add Samples and Calibrators

Add 50 μL of the prepared Calibrator standard or sample to each well. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal. Incubate at room temperature with shaking for 2 hours.

STEP 2: Wash and Add Detection Antibody Solution

- Wash the plate 3 times with at least 150 μL/well of 1X MSD Wash Buffer.
- Add 50 μL of detection antibody solution to each well. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal. Incubate at room temperature with shaking for 1 hour.

STEP 3: Wash and Read

- Wash the plate 3 times with at least 150 μL/well of 1X MSD Wash Buffer.
- Add 150 μL of MSD GOLD Read Buffer B to each well. Analyze the plate on an MSD instrument. Incubation in Read Buffer is not required before reading the plate.

384-well Plate Assays

STEP 1: Add Samples and Calibrators

- Wash the plate 3 times with 90 μL/well of 1X MSD Wash Buffer.
- Add 25 μL of the prepared Calibrator Standard or sample to each well. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal. Incubate at room temperature with shaking for 2 hours.

STEP 2: Wash and Add Detection Antibody Solution

- Wash the plate 3 times with 90 µL/well of 1X MSD Wash Buffer.
- Add 25 μL of detection antibody solution to each well. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal. Incubate at room temperature with shaking for 2 hours.

STEP 3: Wash and Read

- Wash the plate 3 times with 90 μL/well of 1X MSD Wash Buffer.
- Add 40 μL of MSD GOLD Read Buffer B to each well. Analyze the plate on an MSD instrument. Incubation in Read Buffer is not required before reading the plate.



Alternate Protocols

The suggestions below may be useful for simplifying the protocol.

- □ Alternate Protocol 1, Shortened Incubation: Some assays may achieve acceptable performance with shorter incubations. Consider reducing the incubation time of samples in the plate and of detection antibody each to 1 hour.
- Alternate Protocol 2, Co-incubation: Co-incubating samples with detection antibody solution may improve the sensitivity for some assays. Note that the use of the co-incubation protocol may result in sample concentrations that vary from concentrations obtained with the standard protocol. If this protocol is followed, we recommend that this protocol be used for the entirety of the research project.
- Alternate Protocol 3, Reduced Wash: For cell culture supernatants, you may simplify the protocol by eliminating one of the wash steps. After incubating the Calibrator standard or sample, add detection antibody solution to the plate without decanting or washing the plate.

Assay Performance

A representative data set for each assay is presented in the product-specific datasheets available at www.mesoscale.com/U-PLEX-documents. The data represent the performance of the assay tested in multiplex format on U-PLEX plates. These data were generated during the development of the assay and do not represent the product specifications. Under your experimental conditions, the assay may perform differently than the representative data shown.



Appendix

U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) Singleplex Assays

Assays (Table 12) include Antibody Sets, plates, diluents, Calibrators, and MSD GOLD Read Buffer B.

Table 12. Catalog numbers of U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) Singleplex Assays

| Product | 96-Well SECTOR Assays (1/5/25 plates) | 96-Well QuickPlex Assays (1/5/25 plates) | 384-Well SECTOR Assays (5/25 plates) |
|----------------------------------|--|---|---|
| U-PLEX Human A2M Assay | K151Q9K-1/-2/-4 | K151Q9K-21/-22/-24 | K251Q9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human Adiponectin Assay | K151R9K-1/-2/-4 | K151R9K-21/-22/-24 | K251R9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human ApoA1 Assay | K151S9K-1/-2/-4 | K151S9K-21/-22/-24 | K251S9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human ApoC3 Assay | K151T9K-1/-2/-4 | K151T9K-21/-22/-24 | K251T9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human CA1 Assay | K151J9K-1/-2/-4 | K151J9K-21/-22/-24 | K251J9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human Clusterin Assay | K151B9K-1/-2/-4 | K151B9K-21/-22/-24 | K251B9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human Complement C9 Assay | K151U9K-1/-2/-4 | K151U9K-21/-22/-24 | K251U9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human Complement Factor | K151K9K-1/-2/-4 | K151K9K-21/-22/-24 | K251K9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human CRP Assay | K151L9K-1/-2/-4 | K151L9K-21/-22/-24 | K251L9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human Cystatin C Assay | K151M9K-1/-2/-4 | K151M9K-21/-22/-24 | K251M9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human DPPIV Assay | K151D9K-1/-2/-4 | K151D9K-21/-22/-24 | K251D9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human Factor VII Assay | K151N9K-1/-2/-4 | K151N9K-21/-22/-24 | K251N9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human ICAM-1 Assay | K151E9K-1/-2/-4 | K151E9K-21/-22/-24 | K251E9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human NGAL/LCN2 Assay | K151Z1K-1/-2/-4 | K151Z1K-21/-22/-24 | K251Z1K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human RBP4 Assay | K151V9K-1/-2/-4 | K151V9K-21/-22/-24 | K251V9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human SAA Assay | K151F9K-1/-2/-4 | K151F9K-21/-22/-24 | K251F9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human Serpin A1 Assay | K151W9K-1/-2/-4 | K151W9K-21/-22/-24 | K251W9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human SHBG Assay | K151G9K-1/-2/-4 | K151G9K-21/-22/-24 | K251G9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human sTfR-1 Assay | K151P9K-1/-2/-4 | K151P9K-21/-22/-24 | K251P9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human VCAM-1 Assay | K151H9K-1/-2/-4 | K151H9K-21/-22/-24 | K251H9K-2/-4 |
| U-PLEX Human vWF Assay | K151C9K-1/-2/-4 | K151C9K-21/-22/-24 | K251C9K-2/-4 |



U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human) Antibody Sets

Antibody Sets (Table 13) include a biotinylated capture antibody and a SULFO-TAG conjugated detection antibody.

 Table 13. Catalog numbers of Antibody Sets available for U-PLEX Biomarker Group 3 (human)

| Product | Catalog Number (1/5 Plate Size) |
|---|------------------------------------|
| U-PLEX Human A2M Antibody Set | B21Q9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human Adiponectin Antibody Set | B21R9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human ApoA1 Antibody Set | B21S9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human ApoC3 Antibody Set | B21T9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human CA1 Antibody Set | B21J9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human Clusterin Antibody Set | B21B9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human Complement C9 Antibody Set | B21U9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human Complement factor D Antibody Set | B21K9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human CRP Antibody Set | B21L9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human Cystatin C Antibody Set | B21M9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human DPPIV Antibody Set | B21D9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human Factor VII Antibody Set | B21N9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human ICAM-1 Antibody Set | B21E9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human NGAL/LCN2 Antibody Set | B21Z1-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human RBP4 Antibody Set | B21V9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human SAA Antibody Set | B21F9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human Serpin A1 Antibody Set | B21W9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human SHBG Antibody Set | B21G9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human sTfR-1 Antibody Set | B21P9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human VCAM-1 Antibody Set | B21H9-2/-3 |
| U-PLEX Human vWF Antibody Set | B21C9-2/-3 |



Summary Protocols

Coat 96-well Plate

| | Add 200 µL of biotinylated capture antibody to 3.3 mL of Diluent 100. Mix by vortexing. |
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| | Add 25 μ L of the above solution to each well of the provided MSD GOLD Small Spot Streptavidin Plate. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal and shake for 1 hour at room temperature. Alternatively, you can also shake the plate overnight while incubating it at 2–8 °C. |
| | Wash the plate 3 times with at least 150 μ L/well of 1X MSD Wash Buffer. The plate is now coated and ready for use. |
| 96-w | vell Assay Protocol |
| STEP 1 | Add Samples and Calibrators |
| | Add 50 μ L of prepared Calibrator standard or sample to each well. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal. Incubate at room temperature with shaking for 2 hours. |
| STEP 2 | Wash and Add Detection Antibody Solution |
| | Wash the plate 3 times with at least 150 µL/well of 1X Wash Buffer. |
| | Add 50 μ L of detection antibody solution to each well. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal and incubate at room temperature with shaking for 1 hour. |
| STEP 3 | Wash and Read |
| | Wash the plate 3 times with at least 150 µL/well of 1X Wash Buffer. |
| | Add 150 µL of MSD GOLD Read Buffer B to each well. Analyze the plate on an MSD instrument. Incubation in Read Buffer is not required before reading the plate |



Coat 384-well Plate Add 240 μL of biotinylated capture antibody to 11.76 mL of Diluent 100. Mix by vortexing. Add 25 μL of the above solution to each well of the provided MSD 384-well Streptavidin Plate. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal and shake for 2 hours at room temperature. Wash the plate 3 times with 90 μL/well of 1X MSD Wash Buffer. The plate is now coated and ready for use and may be stored overnight at 4 °C. 384-well Assay Protocol STEP 1: Add Samples and Calibrators Add 25 μL of prepared Calibrator Standard or sample to each well. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal. Incubate at room temperature with shaking for 2 hours at room temperature. STEP 2: Wash and Add Detection Antibody Solution Wash the plate 3 times with 90 μL/well of 1X Wash Buffer. Add 25 μL of detection antibody solution to each well. Seal the plate with an adhesive plate seal and incubate at room temperature with shaking for 2 hours at room temperature.

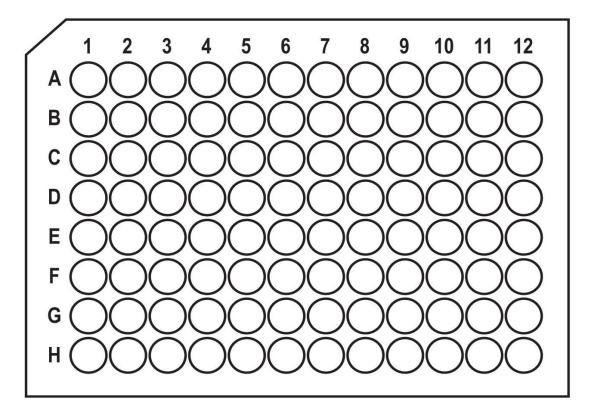
Add 40 μL of MSD GOLD Read Buffer B to each well. Analyze the plate on an MSD instrument. Incubation in Read Buffer

■ Wash the plate 3 times with 90 µL/well of 1X Wash Buffer.

is not required before reading the plate.



Plate Diagrams



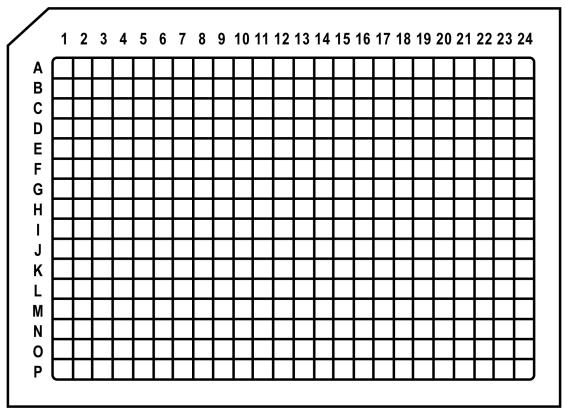


Figure 5. Plate diagrams. Similar plate layouts can be created in Excel and easily imported into DISCOVERY WORKBENCH® software.

