

Quick Start Guide: TBE/FSME Virus IgG ELISA [ELS61239]

Enzyme immunoassay for the detection and quantitative determination of human IgG antibodies against TBE/FSME Virus in serum and plasma (research use only).

(A) Preparation of Reagents

- It is very important to bring all reagents and samples to room temperature (20-25°C) and mix them thoroughly before starting.
- Dilute Washing Buffer 1 + 19; e. g. 10 ml Washing Buffer + 190 ml distilled water. The diluted buffer is stable for 5 days at room temperature (20-25°C).

(B) Assay Steps

- 1. Dispense 100 µl standards/controls and diluted samples into their respective wells. Leave well A1 for the Substrate Blank. Cover wells with the foil supplied in the kit.
- 2. Incubate for 1 hour \pm 5 min at 37 \pm 1°C.
- 3. When incubation has been completed, remove the foil, aspirate the content of the wells and wash each well three times with 300 μ l of Washing Buffer. Avoid overflows from the reaction wells. The interval between washing and aspiration should be > 5 sec. At the end carefully remove remaining fluid by tapping strips on tissue paper prior to the next step.
- 4. Note: Washing is important! Insufficient washing results in poor precision and false results.
- Dispense 100 μl Conjugate into all wells except for the Substrate Blank well A1.
 Incubate for 30 min at room temperature (20-25°C). Do not expose to direct sunlight.
- 6. Repeat step 3.
- 7. Dispense 100 μ l TMB Substrate Solution into all wells. Incubate for exactly 15 min at room temperature (20-25°C) in the dark. A blue colour occurs due to an enzymatic reaction.
- 8. Dispense 100 µl Stop Solution into all wells in the same order and at the same rate as for the TMB Substrate Solution, thereby a colour change from blue to yellow occurs
- Measure the absorbance of all wells at 450 nm within 30 min after addition of the Stop Solution and record the absorbance value for each standard/control and sample in the plate layout. Bichromatic measurement using a reference wavelength of 620 nm is recommended.