

## Fast Human Neurofilament-Light Chain (NF-L) ELISA

For the quantitative determination of human NF-L concentrations in CSF, brain, neuronal cell culture supernates, serum, and plasma.

### INTRODUCTION

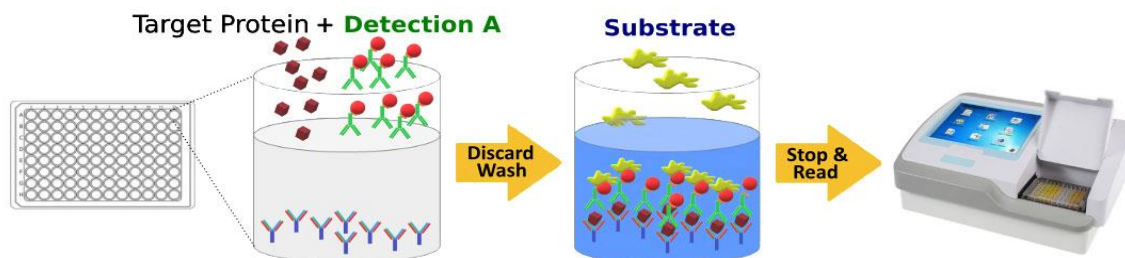
Neurofilament-Light Chain (NF-L), a neuronal cytoplasmic protein highly expressed in large calibre myelinated axons, is one of the most robust plasma biomarkers for Alzheimer’s disease. Its levels increase in cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) and blood proportionally to the degree of axonal damage in a variety of neurological disorders, including inflammatory, neurodegenerative, traumatic and cerebrovascular diseases.

Tribioscience’s Fast Human Neurofilament-Light Chain (NF-L) ELISA is designed to quantitatively detect human NF-L levels in serum, plasma, and other biological samples. The main feature is that **the kit uses our novel proprietary approaches to combine samples and detections into a one-step instead of the complicated traditional methods. It makes the assay simple, easy, accurate and fast. The Hands-on time can be within 2 hours, not need 4-5 hours (Fig. 1). The detection range is from 0.156 to 10 ng/mL.** The levels of human NF-L samples are parallel to the standard curves obtained using the kit standards linearly. Therefore, the kit can be used to determine relative mass values for natural human NF-L protein.

### PRINCIPLE OF THE ASSAY

This assay employs the quantitative sandwich enzyme immunoassay technique (See Fig. 1). A monoclonal antibody specific for human NF-L was pre-coated onto a microplate. Standards and samples are pipetted into the wells, and then, incubated with HRP-conjugated detection antibody specific for human NF-L. Following a wash to remove any unbound antibody and samples, an **ultra-sensitive TMB substrate solution** is added to the wells for color develops. The color intensity is in proportion to the amount of bound in the initial step. The intensity of the color is measured by plate read at 450 nm.

Fig. 1



### KIT CONTENT AND STORAGE CONDITIONS

PART	PART#	DESCRIPTION	STORAGE OF OPENED/ RECONSTITUTED
Human NF-L Microplate	TBS32101A	96 well polystyrene microplate (12 strips of 8 wells) coated with a monoclonal antibody specific for human NF-L.	Return unused wells to the foil pouch. Reseal along the entire edge of the zip-seal. May be stored for up to 1 month at 2-8 °C.
Human NF-L Standard	TBS32101B	50 µl of Recombinant human NF-L (100ng/mL).	Aliquot and store at -20 °C for up to 1 month in a manual defrost freezer. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
Detection A	TBS32101C	2.1 ml of HRP- human NF-L antibody.	May be stored for up to 3 months at 2-8 °C.
Assay Diluent	TBS32101E	12 ml of a buffered protein base with preservatives.	
Wash Buffer	TBS3000W	12 ml of concentrated solution (10x).	
TMB Substrate	TBS3000T	12 ml of ultra-sensitive TMB substrate.	
Stop Solution	TBS3000S	6 ml of 2 N sulfuric acid.	

Store the unopened kit at 2-8 °C. Do not use past kit expiration date.

The kit contains sufficient materials to run an ELISA on one 96-well plate.

### PRECAUTIONS

Wear protective gloves, clothing, eye, and face protection. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

**REAGENT PREPARATION**

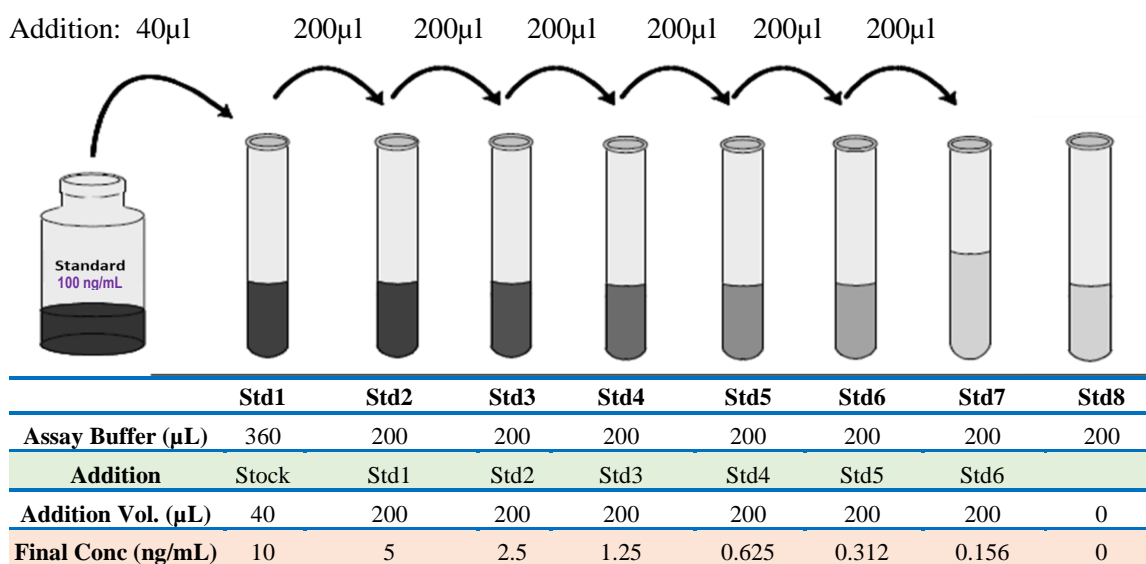
Bring all reagents to room temperature before use.

**Wash Buffer:** Add 12 mL of Wash Buffer Concentrate (10x) to 108 mL of deionized distilled water to prepare 120 mL of Wash Buffer (If crystals have formed in the concentrate, warm to room temperature and mix gently until the crystals have completely dissolved).

**Human NF-L Standard Preparation:** Label test tubes as #1 through #8. Pipet 360 µL of 1x Assay Diluent into tube #1, and 200 µL into tubes #2 to #8 as diagram below.

1. Add 40 µL of the Human NF-L Standard stock solution (100 ng/mL) to tube #1 and mix.
2. Make 2x serial dilutions of the standard using the Tube#1 (10 ng/mL standard solution) from Tube #2 through #7 with sequential transfer of 200 µL to the next concentration. Mix each tube thoroughly before the next transfer. The standard concentration in tube 1 through 7 will be 10, 5, 2.5, 1.25, 0.625, 0.312 and 0.156 ng/mL. Tube# 8 is Standard 0.

**Fig.2 Diagram for Human NF-L standard preparation**



**ASSAY PROCEDURE**

Bring all reagents and samples to room temperature before use. It is recommended that all standards, controls, and samples be assayed in duplicate.

1. Add 80 µL of standard, sample, or control per well.
2. Add 20 µL of **Detection A** to the above standard and sample of each well, thoroughly mix. Cover with the adhesive sealer. Incubate at **RT for 2 hours**.
3. Aspirate each well, and wash for 3 times by filling each well with 300 µL Wash Buffer (Complete removal of liquid at each step is essential to good performance). After the last wash, remove any remaining Wash Buffer by aspirating or decanting. Invert the plate and blot it against clean paper towels.
4. Add 100 µL of **TMB Substrate** to each well. Incubate **at RT for 10-20min** (Protect from light). The color becomes blue.
5. Add 50 µL of **Stop Solution** to each well. The color in the well should change from blue to yellow (gently tap the plate to ensure thorough mixing).
6. Determine the optical density of each well within 20 minutes, using a microplate reader at 450 nm. If wavelength correction is available, set to 540 nm or 570 nm. If wavelength correction is not available, subtract readings at 540 nm or 570 nm from the readings at 450 nm. This subtraction will correct for optical imperfections in the plate. Readings made directly at 450 nm without correction may be higher and less accurate.

**CALCULATION OF RESULTS**

Average the duplicate readings for each standard, control, and sample subtract the average zero standard optical density

(O.D.).

Create a standard curve using computer software capable of generating a four-parameter logistic (4-PL) curve-fit. As an alternative, construct a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance for each standard on the Y-axis against the concentration on the X-axis and draw a best fit curve through the points on the graph. The data may be linearized by plotting the log of the human concentrations versus the log of the O.D. and the best fit line can be determined by regression analysis. This procedure will produce an adequate but less precise fit of the data.

**TYPICAL DATA**

This standard curve ( $R^2=1.000$ ) is provided for demonstration only. A standard curve should be generated for each set of samples assayed. Fig. 3 is an example of typical Data.

**SENSITIVITY**

The minimum detectable dose (MOD) of human is typically 100 pg/ml.  
The Intra-assay CV and the Inter-assay CV are <10%.

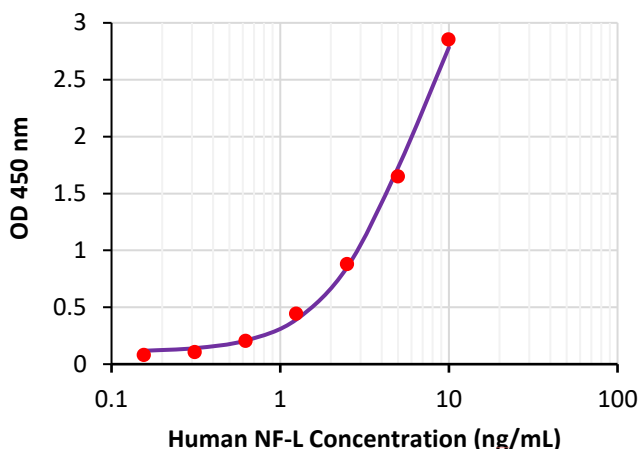
**SPECIFICITY**

This assay recognizes natural and recombinant human NF-L.  
No cross-reactivity with others.

**RELATIVE PRODUCTS**

- Human p-Tau-217 ELISA (TBS3293)
- Human p-Tau-181 ELISA (TBS3294)
- Human Total Tau ELISA (TBS3295)
- Human p-Tau-231 ELISA (TBS3296)
- Human AD7 Human AD7C NTP (TBS3297)
- Human Amyloid  $\beta$ 40 ELISA (TBS3298)
- Human Amyloid  $\beta$ 42 ELISA (TBS3299)
- Human Total Amyloid  $\beta$  ELISA (TBS32104)
- Human Gamma H2AX ELISA (TBS3265)
- Human H2AX ELISA (TBS3266)
- Human IL-4 ELISA (TBS3221)
- Human IL-4 ELISA (TBS3221)
- Human IL-6 ELISA (TBS3223)
- Human IL-7 ELISA (TBS3224)
- Human IL-8 ELISA (TBS3225)
- Human IL-10 ELISA (TBS3226)
- Human IL-13 ELISA (TBS3227)
- Human IL-17 ELISA (TBS3228)
- Human IL-22 ELISA (TBS3229)
- Human IL-33 ELISA (TBS4245)
- Human IFN-gamma ELISA (TBS3230)
- Human TGF-  $\beta$ 1 ELISA (TBS3232)
- Human GM-CSF ELISA (TBS3233)
- Human MIP-1 $\alpha$  ELISA (TBS3234)
- Protein Cell Lysis Buffer (catalog# TBS5001)
- Protein Assay Kit (Catalog# TBS2005)
- TMB Substrate System (Catalog#TBS5021)

**Fig.3 Human NF-L Standard Curve**



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