

## Double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) ELISA kit (K1 based)

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Clone	K1/K2
Isotype	IgG2a kappa/IgM kappa
Product Type	ELISA Kit
Units	Reagents for 500 tests
Host	Mouse
Application	ELISA

### Background

Based on the use of two double-stranded RNA (dsRNA)-specific monoclonal antibodies the dsRNA Detection Kit allows sensitive and selective detection of dsRNA molecules (larger than 30-40 bp), independent of their nucleotide composition and sequence. The detection is highly specific: dsRNA can be detected in nucleic acid extracts in the presence of 1.000-10.000-fold excess of other nucleic acids. This assay works on the sandwich-ELISA principle and uses the K1 (IgG2a) mouse monoclonal antibody to dsRNA as a catcher antibody. The monoclonal antibody K2 (IgM) is used as the detector antibody. Over the past decade our double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) antibodies have been used extensively to detect and characterise plant and animal viruses with dsRNA genomes or intermediates. In addition, the anti-dsRNA antibodies can be used as a diagnostic tool to detect pathogens, including detection in paraffin-embedded fixed tissue samples (Richardson et al. 2010). The K1 monoclonal antibody recognises dsRNA with similar affinity to our widely used J2 antibody. It can be used for the histological and cytological detection of dsRNA in cells and tissues. It has proven especially useful as an alternative to J2 to resolve cross-reactions and/or remove unwanted background, in those rare experimental setups where J2 did not provide satisfactory results. K1 can be used to detect dsRNA intermediates of viruses as diverse as Hepatitis virus, Theiler's murine encephalomyelitis virus or Japanese encephalitis virus. It has been for the detection of dsRNA in cultured cells and in fixed paraffin-embedded histological samples (see publications). If Poly I:C needs to be detected we highly using K1 rather than J2 because K1 has a much higher affinity for this synthetic polyribonucleotide (see Schönborn et al. 1991, Fig. 2). K1 has been used successfully in immunofluorescence microscopy, in flow cytometry (FACS) and in immunocapture methods (such as dot-blot and ELISA).

**Synonyms:** dsRNA ELISA kit

## Source

The two dsRNA antibodies used in this kit were produced as follows: Female DBA/2 mice were injected intraperitoneally with a mixture of 50 ug L-dsRNA and 75 ug methylated bovine serum albumin, emulsified in complete Freund's adjuvant. After several boosts spleen cells were fused with Sp2/0-Agl4 myeloma cells to generate the hybridoma clones K1 and K2.

## Product

Double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) ELISA kit containing the following reagents for 500 tests (5x96 wells): • 1 vial of coating antibody (store at -20 °C) • 1 vial of Poly(I:C) dsRNA as positive control (store at -20 °C) • 1 vial of dsRNA-specific detecting antibody (in RPMI + 5% FBS, store at +4 °C or, preferably, at -20 °C) • 1 vial of HRP-conjugated F(ab')<sub>2</sub> Fragment of goat-anti mouse secondary antibody (store at +4 °C or at -20 °C) • 1 vial of TMB substrate solution (store at +4°C, keep in dark)

## Applications

We recommend using the kit to detect viral dsRNAs or large natural or synthetic dsRNAs of non-viral origin in nucleic acid extracts, as well as to detect the presence of undesired dsRNA molecules in artificially synthesized (m)RNA preparations. Serial dilutions of the Poly(I:C) dsRNA standard (included in the kit) can be used as a positive control. For the exact detection protocol we refer to the kit manual that can be downloaded from our website. Caution: The Poly(I:C) dsRNA positive control included in this sandwich ELISA kit is not intended to be used as a quantitative standard for other dsRNA preparations. The anti dsRNA antibodies K1 and/or K2 used in this kit may exhibit a different degree of reactivity with different dsRNAs obtained from natural sources. It is therefore only intended to be used as a positive control to see if the ELISA has been executed correctly and that the test shows a linear relationship between the amount of dsRNA and the read out for the OD450.

## Storage

Upon receipt, store entire kit at -20°C. Once the kit is thawed, you may keep it at 4°C for 5 days. For long-term storage, it is recommended to aliquot and freeze the antibody and dsRNA components at -20°C.

*Shipping Conditions:* The Double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) ELISA kit components are shipped on blue ice.

## Caution

This product is intended FOR RESEARCH USE ONLY, and FOR TESTS IN VITRO, not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic procedures involving humans or animals. It may contain hazardous ingredients. Please refer to the Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for additional information and proper handling procedures. Dispose product remainders according to local regulations. This datasheet is as accurate as reasonably achievable, but Exalpha Biologicals accepts no liability for any inaccuracies or omissions in this information.

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## Safety Datasheet(s) for this product:

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## Kit Manual

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