

# Amplite™ Human Serum Albumin (HSA) Site I Binding Assay Kit

Catalog number: 25400 Unit size: 200 Tests

Component	Storage	Amount
Component A: HSA Blue™ S1	Freeze (< -15 °C), Minimize light exposure	1 vial
Component B: HSA Assay Buffer	Freeze (< -15 °C)	1 bottle (30 mL)
Component C: Human Serum Albumin solution (HSA)	Freeze (< -15 °C)	1 vial (500 μL)
Component D: DMSO	Freeze (< -15 °C)	1 vial (100 μL)

#### **OVERVIEW**

Human serum albumin (HSA) is one of the most important carriers for acidic drugs in human plasma and has been shown to bind a large number of different compounds in a reversible manner. Several different ligand binding sites have been identified for HSA. Among them, Site I has been identified as one of major drug binding sites. Amplite™ Human Serum Albumin (HSA) Site I Binding Assay Kit is a fluorescence-based high throughput assay to determine the small molecule binding towards HSA. This assay is based on a novel fluorescent probe, HSA Blue™ S1. It has been characterized to bind to the site 1 of HSA with unique spectroscopic and binding properties. HSA Blue™ S1 displays a large fluorescence intensity difference between the protein-bound and protein-unbound state. The competition of small molecules for HSA binding in the presence of HSA Blue™ S1 results in low fluorescence intensities. This assay can be used as a high throughput screen tool to determine total binding to HSA at Site I.

## AT A GLANCE

# **Protocol Summary**

- Add HSA working solution (50 µL) and HSA Blue™ S1 working solution (50 µL) to the wells
- 2. Add test drugs (50 µL) with various concentrations to respective wells
- 3. Incubate for 15 to 45 minutes at RT
- Measure response with fluorescence microplate reader at Ex/Em = 365/480 nm (Cutoff = 435 nm)

# Important

Bring all the kit components at room temperature before starting the experiment.

# **KEY PARAMETERS**

#### Fluorescence microplate reader

Excitation 365 nm
Emission 480 nm
Cutoff 435 nm
Recommended plate Solid black
Instrument specification(s) Top read mode

#### PREPARATION OF STOCK SOLUTIONS

Unless otherwise noted, all unused stock solutions should be divided into single-use aliquots and stored at -20 °C after preparation. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

#### HSA Blue™ S1 stock solution

Add 100  $\mu L$  DMSO (Component D) into HSA Blue  $^{\text{TM}}$  S1 (Component A) and mix well.

**Note** Store the unused HSA Blue™ S1 stock solution at -20 °C in single use aliquots to avoid freeze thaw cycles.

### PREPARATION OF WORKING SOLUTION

# 1. HSA Blue™ S1 working solution

Add 50  $\mu L$  HSA Blue  $^{TM}$  S1 stock solution into 5 mL of HSA Assay Buffer (Component B) and mix well.

Note  $\quad$  HSA Blue $^{\text{TM}}$  S1 working solution should not be stored and should be used promptly.

**Note** 5 mL HSA Blue™ S1 working solution is enough for one 96-well plate.

#### 2. HSA working solution

Add 250  $\mu L$  HSA solution (Component C) into 5 mL of HSA Assay Buffer (Component B) and mix well.

Note 5 mL HSA working solution is enough for one 96-well plate.

#### 3. Test drugs working solution

Dilute drugs stock solution to the desired concentrations in 3X working solutions using HSA Assay Buffer (Component B).

Note For the protocol mentioned here, suggested volume for the one well is 50  $\mu L$ .

## SAMPLE EXPERIMENTAL PROTOCOL

The following protocol can be used as a guideline and should be optimized according to the needs.

- 1. Add 50  $\mu L$  of HSA Blue  $^{TM}$  S1 working solution in wells.
- Add 50 µL of HSA working solution in wells.
- 3. Add 50  $\mu$ L of drugs working solution to their respective wells. (Total volume = 150  $\mu$ L/well).
- 4. Incubate the samples for 30 minutes at RT.
- Monitor the fluorescence increase with a fluorescence plate reader at Ex/Em = 365/480 nm (Cutoff = 435 nm).

# **EXAMPLE DATA ANALYSIS AND FIGURES**

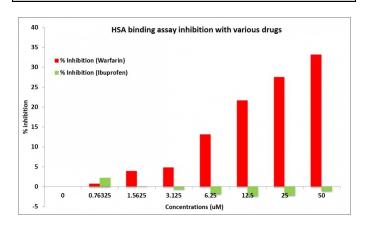


Figure 1. Response of Warfarin (Site-1 drug) and Ibuprofen (Site-2 drug) was measured using Amplite™ Human Serum Albumin (HSA) Site I Binding Assay Kit. The response was acquired using Spectramax Gemini XS (Molecular devices) with Ex/Em = 365/480 nm with cutoff = 435 nm.

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