

**Quick Guide** 

# **Bio-Plex Pro Human SARS-CoV-2 Neutralization Antibody Assays**

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For Use with	Instruction Manual #
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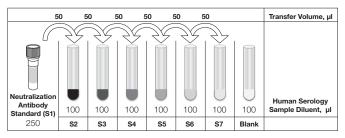
This guide can be used to prepare and run a full 1 x 96-well assay plate. Refer to the complete instruction manual for more information on a given step. New users can go to **bio-rad.com/bio-plex** and download the manual, which includes detailed instructions and a list of kit components.

**IMPORTANT!** Pay close attention to **vortexing**, **shaking**, and **incubation** instructions. Deviation from the protocol may result in low assay signal and assay variability.

# **Initial Preparation**

- 1. Plan the plate layout.
- 2. Start up/warm up the Bio-Plex Multiplex Immunoassay System (30 min).
- **3.** Bring the following Bio-Plex Pro reagents to room temperature: Assay Buffer (1x), Human Serology Sample Diluent, and Wash Buffer (10x).
- Keep the following Bio-Plex Pro reagents on ice until needed: SARS-CoV-2 Coupled Beads (20x), Biotinylated Detection ACE2 Receptor (20x), Neutralization Assay Positive Control, SARS-CoV-2 Neutralization Antibody Standard, and Streptavidin-Phycoerythrin (SA-PE) (100x).
- 5. Begin to thaw frozen samples.
- Prepare 1x wash buffer. Mix 10x stock by inversion to ensure all salts are in solution. Dilute 1 part 10x wash buffer (60 ml) with 9 parts distilled water (540 ml).
- 7. Calibrate the Bio-Plex System by following the prompts in Bio-Plex Manager Software. This can be done now or during an assay incubation step.

 Prepare a seven-point standard curve as shown. Add 100 µl of human serology sample diluent to seven tubes. The last tube will be the blank.



Note: Change tips between each dilution.

- 9. Centrifuge serum or plasma samples at 1,000 x g for 10 min at 4°C to remove particulates from all samples prior to use.
- **10.** Prepare sample dilutions in 0.5 or 1.0 ml polypropylene tubes as required for the assay according to the following guidelines.
  - For serum and plasma samples, dilute in serology sample diluent. We recommend grouping samples by predicted/estimated neutralization antibody level (for example, samples from vaccinated donors grouped by time since date of vaccination) and performing a dilution series test to identify the optimal dilution factor for your samples. Recommended testing range: 1:5 (for example, 12 µl sample + 48 µl serology sample diluent) to 1:100 dilution
  - For other fluids, dilute in serology sample diluent. Dilution factor to be determined by the user
- **11. Vortex** the 20x coupled beads at medium speed for **30 sec** and dilute to 1x in assay buffer as shown. Protect from light.

Number of Wells	20x Beads, µl	Assay Buffer, µl	Total Volume, µl
96	285	5,415	5,700

# **Running the Assay**

**Note:** Make sure all assay components are at room temperature (RT) before pipetting.

- Vortex the diluted (1x) beads for about 20 seconds. Add 50 μl to each well of the assay plate.
- 2. Wash the plate two times with 100 µl wash buffer.
- Gently vortex standard, control, and samples. Add 25 μl to each well. Add 25 μl of sample diluent to the blank and negative control wells.
- Cover the plate with sealing tape to protect from light. Incubate on shaker at 850 ± 50 rpm at RT for 30 min.
- With 10 min left in the incubation, vortex the 20x biotinylated detection ACE2 receptor for 15 sec and quick-spin to collect liquid. Dilute to 1x as shown.

Number of Wells	20x Biotinylated ACE2, μl	Serology Sample Diluent, µl	Total Volume, µl
96	150	2,850	3,000

- 6. After the first 30 min incubation is completed, do not wash the plate.
- Vortex the diluted (1x) biotinylated detection ACE2 receptor. Add 25 μl to each well. Do not dispense biotinylated ACE2 into the well that you will use for your blank. Dispense 25 μl of sample diluent instead.

Note: The blank well will receive only coupled beads, sample diluent, and SA-PE through the assay workflow. The negative control well will receive only coupled beads, sample diluent, biotinylated detection ACE2 receptor, and SA-PE through the workflow.

- Cover the plate with sealing tape to protect from light. Incubate at 850 ± 50 rpm in the dark for 30 min at RT. Meanwhile, prepare the Bio-Plex Manager Software protocol; enter standard S1 values provided in the assay kit.
- **9.** With 10 min left in the incubation, **vortex** the 100x SA-PE for **5 sec** and quick-spin to collect liquid. Dilute to 1x as shown and protect from light.

Number of Wells	100x SA-PE, µl	Assay Buffer, µl	Total Volume, µl
96	60	5,940	6,000

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- **10.** After the second 30 min incubation is complete, **wash the plate three times** with **100 μl** wash buffer.
- 11. Vortex the diluted (1x) SA-PE. Dispense 50 µl to each well.
- 12. Cover the plate with sealing tape to protect from light. Incubate at  $850 \pm 50 \text{ rpm}$  in the dark for 10 min at RT.
- 13. After the 10 min incubation is completed, wash the plate three times with 100  $\mu l$  wash buffer.
- 14. Resuspend the beads in  $125 \ \mu l$  assay buffer. Cover and shake at  $850 \pm 50 \ rpm$  for  $30 \ sec$ .
- **15.** Remove the sealing tape and **read plate** using the following settings.

Instrument	RP1 (PMT)	DD Gates	Bead Events
Bio-Plex 200*	Low	5,000 (low); 25,000 (high)	50
Bio-Plex 3D*	Standard	Select MagPlex Beads	50
Luminex MAGPIX	N/A, use de	fault instrument settings	
Luminex xMAP INTELLIFLEX	Low	7,500 (low); 19,500 (high)	50

\* Or similar Luminex System.

### **Ordering Information**

Catalog #	Description
12016897	Bio-Plex Pro Human SARS-CoV-2 Variant Neutralization Antibody 11-Plex Assay
12016848	Bio-Plex Pro Human SARS-CoV-2 Neutralization Antibody 2-Plex Assay
17007632	Bio-Plex Pro Human SARS-CoV-2 Neutralization Antibody Custom Assay
	Developer Kit
Various	Bio-Plex Pro SARS-CoV-2 Coupled Beads, available with the following SARS-
	CoV-2 antigens: Alpha S1, Beta S1, Gamma RBD, D614G S1, Delta RBD, Delta
	Spike Trimer, E484K RBD, Epsilon RBD, K417N RBD, Kappa RBD, and N501Y RBD

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