

vonWillebrand Factor (vWF) Antigen Assay

vonWillebrand Factor antigen is detected by binding to an antibody, then secondary binding by a conjugated antibody that will produce a detectable color change with the addition of a substrate

Materials

1. Versa Max microtiter plate reader (Molecular Devices, CA)
2. 96-well microtiter plate
3. Citrated plasma samples
4. Normal mouse plasma (NMP)
5. 1 $\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{L}$ rabbit anti-human vWF polyclonal antibody in 50 mM Na_2CO_3 , pH 9.6
6. 3% BSA in TBS
7. 1% BSA in TBS
8. 0.05% Tween 20 in TBS
9. Horseradish peroxidase (HRP)-conjugated rabbit anti-human vWF polyclonal antibody diluted 1:2000 in 1% BSA in TBS
10. 1 N H_2SO_4

Procedure

1. Plasma samples may be diluted to 1:200 in TBS/1% BSA
2. Log-log standard curve is prepared with each plate by diluting NMP 1:25 to 1:1600 in TBS/1% BSA, analyzed simultaneously on the sample plate
3. Plate wells are loaded as follows:

Block	100uL	Rabbit anti-human vWF Ab	5°C	Overnight
Block	200uL	3% BSA in TBS	5°C or 37°C	Overnight Or 3-5hr
Wash 1x		1% BSA in TBS		
	100uL	Sample dilutions, in duplicate	5°C	Overnight
Wash 5x		TBS/Tween		
	100uL	HRP-conjugated rabbit anti-human vWF Ab	5°C	Overnight
Wash 5x		TBS/Tween		
Color development	100uL	TMB peroxidase substrate		
Stop reaction	100uL	1N H2SO4		

4. Plate is read at 655 nm during development and then at 450 nm after reaction is stopped
5. Absorbance are converted to %NMP vWF using the standard curve