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# **CHO PLBL-2 ELISA Kit**

## **User Guide**

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## ■ Product Name

CHO PLBL-2 ELISA Kit

## ■ Package

96 tests/Kit

## ■ Intended Use

This kit is intended for use in determining the presence of CHO PLBL-2 (Phospholipase B-like 2) protein, one of the most important high-risk proteins in biological products such as CHO cell culture supernatant or related drug substrate and so on.

The kit is for RESEARCH USE ONLY and not intended for clinical use.

## ■ Product Description

This kit is based on the solid-phase enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) with a double-antibody sandwich technique to quantify the amount of CHO PLBL-2 protein in biological products. A CHO PLBL-2-specific capture antibody was pre-coated into each well of microtiter strips. Both Calibration Standards and test samples were simultaneously added to the microtiter strips, and followed by incubation and washing. The biotinylated detection antibody was added to the microtiter strips to bind the epitope of CHO PLBL-2 protein, thus forming a sandwich structure which further reacted with streptavidin-labeled HRP (SA-HRP). TMB substrate was added into reaction, catalyzed by enzymatic hydrolysis to produce a blue colored product. Finally, a stop solution was added to terminate the enzymatic reaction, resulting in a yellow colored product (maximum absorption peak at 450 nm). The absorbance values at 450 nm wavelength were positively correlated with the CHO PLBL-2 concentration in the Calibration Standards and the samples. The concentration of CHO PLBL-2 protein in the sample can be calculated using a dose-response curve.

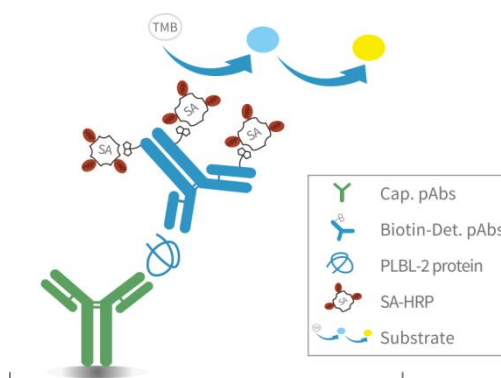


Figure 1. Schematic diagram

## ■ Kit Contents

Table 1. Kit Components

Reagent	Part No.	Quantity	Note
CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard	PNB022	1 bottle	Lyophilized powder. Dissolve it with 500 $\mu$ L Reconstitution Solution, and let it stand for about 5-10 minutes until transparent. Please refer to the details on the label of the tube.
Anti-CHO PLBL-2 Microtiter Strips	PNA023	8 well $\times$ 12 strips	Strips pre-coated with sheep anti-CHO PLBL-2 polyclonal antibody in a vacuumed bag with desiccant. Seal and store immediately after use.
Reconstitution Solution	PNC002	1 $\times$ 1.5 mL	Only used for dissolving CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard.
Diluent	PNE004	2 $\times$ 25 mL	For dilution of Calibration Standards, Anti-CHO PLBL-2: Biotinylated Conjugate (200 $\times$ ), Streptavidin-HRP (100 $\times$ ) and samples.
Wash Buffer Concentrate (10 $\times$ )	PNF001	2 $\times$ 25 mL	Dilute 10 times with freshly prepared ultra-pure water for plate washing.
Anti-CHO PLBL-2: Biotinylated Conjugate (200 $\times$ )	PNG011	1 $\times$ 60 $\mu$ L	Biotinylated sheep anti-CHO PLBL-2 antibody in a protein matrix with preservative. Dilute 200 times with Diluent before use.
Streptavidin-HRP (100 $\times$ )	PNH002	1 $\times$ 140 $\mu$ L	Streptavidin labeled with HRP. Dilute 100 times with Diluent before use.
TMB Substrate	PND004	1 $\times$ 12 mL	Sealed and keep away from light. Equilibrate to room temperature (RT) for 20 minutes before use.
Stop Solution	PNI002	1 $\times$ 6 mL	1 M hydrochloric acid. Avoid direct contact with eyes, skin, and clothing.
Sealing Film	PNK001	3 pieces	Cover the strips during incubation to prevent contamination and liquid evaporation.

Note: Room temperature refers to  $25 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## ■ Storage Conditions

Store the kit at 2-8°C. Please check the expiration date on the labels. The opened components should be stored as shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Recommended storage conditions for opened components

Component	Stability
Anti-CHO PLBL-2 Microtiter Strips	Store in the bag with desiccant at 2-8°C for up to 90 days.
Reconstituted CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard	Aliquot and store below -18°C, avoid freeze-thaw cycles.

## ■ Materials Required But Not Provided

- Sterile centrifuge tubes for dilution
- Absorbent paper for plate drying
- Pipette Tips: 1000 µL, 100 µL and 10 µL
- Multi-channel reagent reservoirs (50 mL)

## ■ Equipment

- Microplate reader capable of measuring absorbance at 450 nm, with the correction wavelength set at 620 nm to 650 nm.
- Single or multi-channel pipettes: 1000 µL, 100 µL and 10 µL
- Microplate thermoshaker
- Incubator (optional)
- Plate washer (optional)

## ■ Workflow

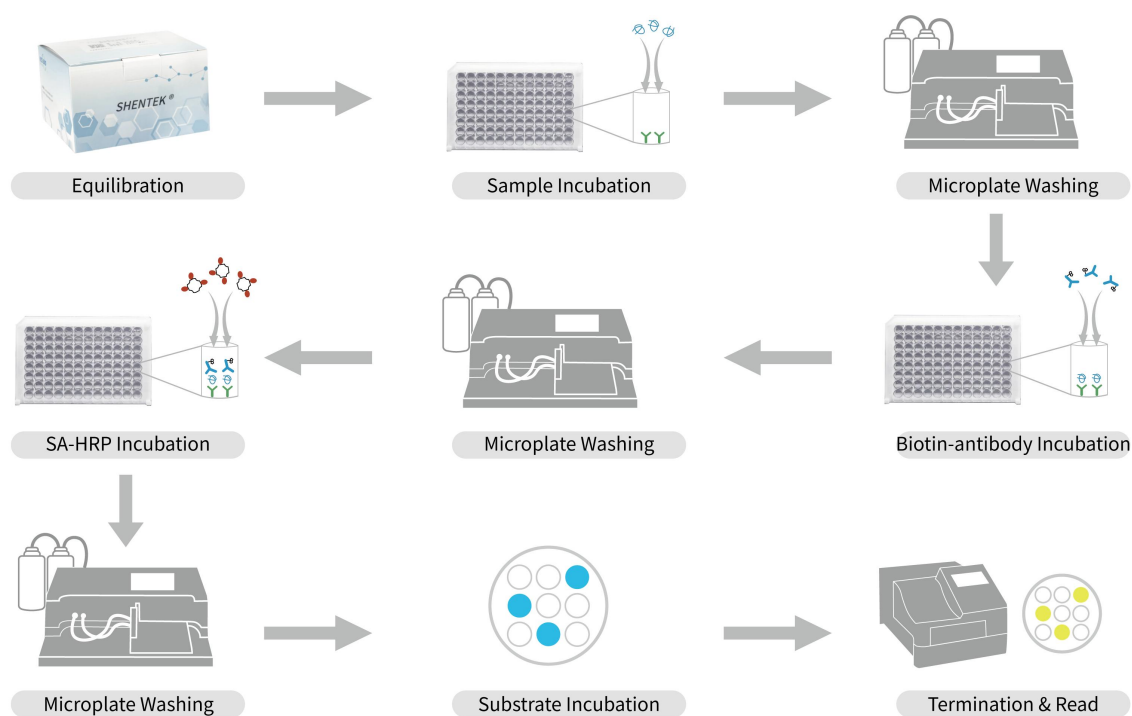


Figure 2. Procedure Flowchart

## 1. Preparation

### (1) Equilibration

- Allow the kit to equilibrate at room temperature for 20 minutes before use. Return to 2-8°C after use.
- Take appropriate amount of strips to a strip holder according to your experimental design. Please store the remaining strips in the bag with desiccant at 2-8°C.

### (2) Preparation of Reagents

- CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard Solution: Pipette 500  $\mu$ L of Reconstitution Solution into the bottle containing CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard. Gently invert 3-5 times to mix well and let it stand for 5-10 minutes. Save the remaining solution under the recommended condition.

Note: Do not use any other volumes of Reconstitution Solution to dissolve the Calibration Standard.

- 1×Wash Buffer: Dilute 1 volume of Wash Buffer Concentrate (10×) with 9

volumes of ultra-pure water. For example, add 25 mL Wash Buffer Concentrate (10×) to 225 mL of ultra-pure water to make 250 mL of 1×Wash Buffer. Mix well before use.

Note: If the Wash Buffer Concentrate (10×) or Diluent is cloudy or contains precipitates, heat at 37°C until it clears.

- 1×Anti-CHO PLBL-2: Biotinylated Conjugate: Dilute the Anti-CHO PLBL-2:Biotinylated Conjugate (200×) with Diluent in a sterile centrifuge tube. Prepare 1×Anti-CHO PLBL-2:Biotinylated Conjugate fresh. Mix gently and use only on the same day.
- 1×Streptavidin-HRP: Dilute the Streptavidin-HRP (100×) with Diluent in a sterile centrifuge tube. Prepare 1×Streptavidin-HRP fresh. Mix gently and use only on the same day.

### (3) Preparation of Calibration Standard Solutions

- Prepare CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard Solutions as shown in Fig 3 and Table 3.

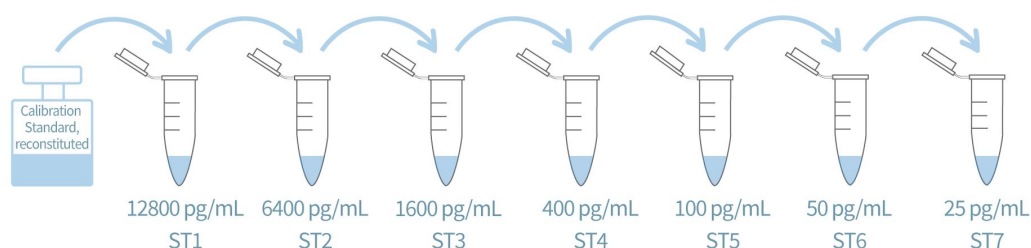


Figure 3. Graphic scheme of CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard Solutions

Table 3. Preparation of CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard Solutions

Tubes	Dilution procedure	Conc. (pg/mL)
ST1	Dilute the reconstituted CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard to ST1 with Diluent	12800
ST2	400 $\mu$ L ST1 + 400 $\mu$ L Diluent	6400
ST3	200 $\mu$ L ST2 + 600 $\mu$ L Diluent	1600
ST4	200 $\mu$ L ST3 + 600 $\mu$ L Diluent	400
ST5	200 $\mu$ L ST4 + 600 $\mu$ L Diluent	100
ST6	400 $\mu$ L ST5 + 400 $\mu$ L Diluent	50
ST7*	400 $\mu$ L ST6 + 400 $\mu$ L Diluent	25
NCS	Diluent	0

\*Anchor point

#### (4) Sample Preparation

- Test samples: In-process samples, harvested bulk, drug substance and drug product. Make sure samples are clear and transparent, and insoluble substances need to be removed by centrifugation or filtration.
- Dilute the samples with a suitable diluent to achieve a proper range of CHO PLBL-2 concentration within the calibration curve.
- For the first use, a method validation is recommend to verify sample suitability before the subsequent routine test. This will help to set up appropriate sample dilution series.

Note: Please contact us for support of validation protocol.

## 2. Assay Experiment

### (1) Sample Incubation

- Pipette 100  $\mu$ L of Calibration Standard Solutions, NCS (Diluent) and samples into each designated well according to the experimental design. Avoid foaming bubbles during pipetting. We recommend to prepare 2-3 replicates for each sample.
- Seal the plate and incubate on microplate thermoshaker at 600 rpm for 1 hour at room temperature.

Table 4. Example of 96-well microplate layout

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	NCS	NCS	NCS									
B	ST7	ST7	ST7									
C	ST6	ST6	ST6	S1	S1	S1						
D	ST5	ST5	ST5	S2	S2	S2						
E	ST4	ST4	ST4	S3	S3	S3						
F	ST3	ST3	ST3	S1+SRC	S1+SRC	S1+SRC						
G	ST2	ST2	ST2	S2+SRC	S2+SRC	S2+SRC						
H	ST1	ST1	ST1	S3+SRC	S3+SRC	S3+SRC						

- ✧ “ST1-ST7” indicate 7 concentration gradients, “NCS” as negative control, “S1-S3” as test samples, and “S1 SRC-S3 SRC” as the spiked recovery controls for each sample.
- ✧ The number of replicates and the spiked samples can be determined by method validation.



## **(2) Biotinylated Antibody Incubation**

- Wash the plate with 300  $\mu$ L of 1 $\times$ Wash Buffer per well. Wipe off any liquid from the bottom outside of the plate. Repeat washing for 3 times. Do not allow the wells to be completely dry before adding the next solution.
- Pipette 100  $\mu$ L of 1 $\times$ Anti-CHO PLBL-2:Biotinylated Conjugate into the corresponding wells as indicated earlier.
- Seal the plate and incubate at room temperature for 45 minutes, and protect from light.

## **(3) Streptavidin-HRP Incubation**

- Wash the plate with 300  $\mu$ L of 1 $\times$ Wash Buffer per well. Wipe off any liquid from the bottom outside of the plate. Repeat washing for 3 times. Do not allow the wells to be completely dry before adding the next solution.
- Pipette 100  $\mu$ L of 1 $\times$ Streptavidin-HRP into the corresponding wells.
- Seal the plate and incubate at room temperature for 30 minutes, and protect from light.

## **(4) TMB Reaction**

- Equilibrate the TMB substrate at room temperature for 20 minutes.
- Wash the plate with 300  $\mu$ L of 1 $\times$ Wash Buffer per well. Wipe off any liquid from the bottom outside of the plate. Repeat washing for 5 times. Do not allow the wells to be completely dry before adding the TMB substrate.
- Add 100  $\mu$ L of TMB Substrate into the wells, and incubate at room temperature for 10 minutes, and protect from light.

Note: Do not use sealing film during this step.

## **(5) Termination & Reading**

- Add 50  $\mu$ L of Stop Solution into each well.

Note: The order of adding Stop Solution should be the same as the order of adding the TMB Substrate. While adding samples, suspend the tips above the liquid to prevent contact with the solution in the wells and minimize the risk of bubble formation.

- Read absorbance at 450 nm/620-650 nm. Plate reading should be completed

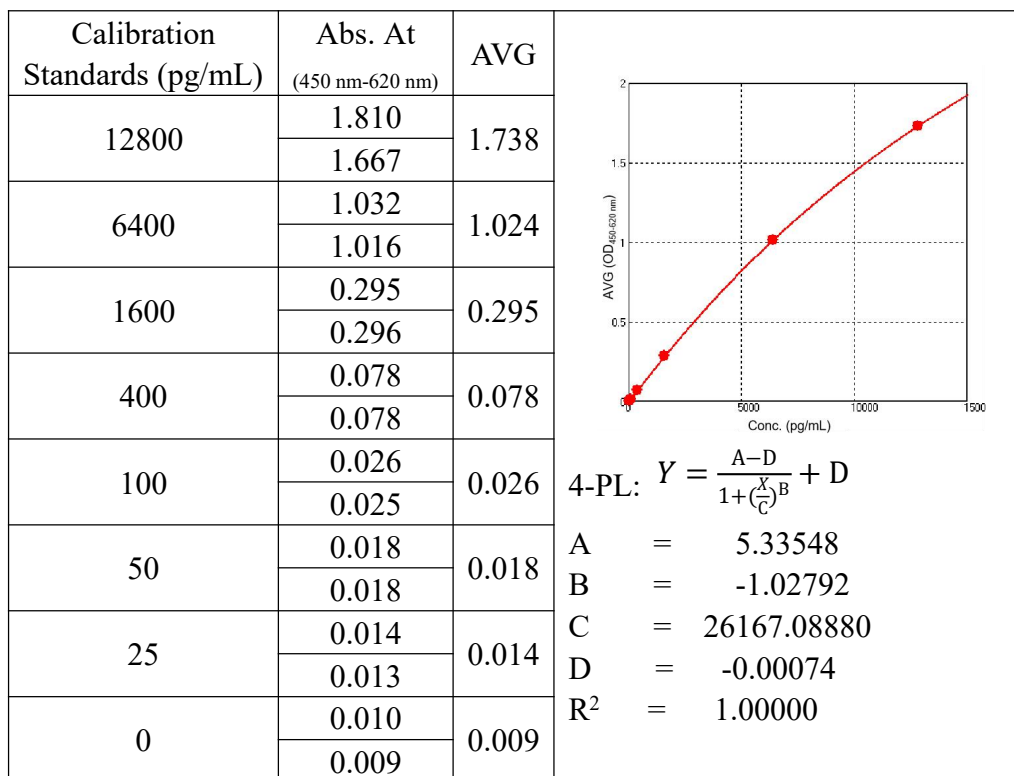
within 10 minutes after termination.

### 3. Calculation and Analysis

- The  $OD_{450-620}$  value of each well should be calculated by subtracting their respective long wavelength, as of  $OD_{620\text{ nm}}$  in this case. If the microplate reader is not equipped with long wavelength measurement, this step can be omitted.
- The  $OD_{450-620-N}$  value of calibration curve fitting points and samples should be calculated by subtracting the  $OD_{450-620}$  of NCS, then take the average value of replicates.
- Perform a 4-parameter logistic regression model using the subtracted Calibration Standard concentration values to obtain a calibration curve equation. The data analysis software for calibration curve fitting could be the built-in software from microplate reader. If not, we recommend to use professional standard curve software such as Curve Expert, ELISA Calc, and so on.
- Substitute the average OD value of the samples into the equation to calculate the sample concentration.
- For samples with absorbance values above the Calibration Standard ST1, a pilot study should be conducted to determine an appropriate dilution before retesting. The HCP concentration in the samples are calculated from the test value multiplied by its corresponding dilution factor. If the spiked samples are simultaneously set at this dilution level, and the recovery rate should meet the requirements of the corresponding regulations.

## ■ Assay Performance

- Linearity & Range: 50-12800 pg/mL,  $R^2 \geq 0.990$
- LLOQ: 50 pg/mL
- Specificity: No cross-reactivity with Sf9 HCP, *E.coli* BL21 HCP and MDCK HCP.
- Typical calibration curve for reference:



## ■ Additional Information

- ✧ This kit is intended for use by qualified technicians only.
- ✧ Consumables, for example sterile disposable tips, tubes and reservoirs are only allowed for single use. It is recommended to wipe with 75% ethanol before and after each use. Follow the specified pipetting procedure carefully.
- ✧ Users should validate the assay before testing their samples.
- ✧ Dilution should be gentle and thorough to avoid excessive foaming.
- ✧ Stop Solution is 1 M hydrochloric acid. Avoid direct contact with eyes, skin, and clothing.
- ✧ Do not mix the kit reagents from different lot numbers.
- ✧ Use fresh sterile water or ultra-pure water, and ensure the water temperature does not exceed 37°C.
- ✧ Seal or cover the microplate immediately after sample loading to avoid liquid evaporation.
- ✧ Avoid drying the wells before substrate incubation.
- ✧ Store unused microtiter strips in a sealed bag with desiccant to prevent contamination.
- ✧ Centrifuge Anti-CHO PLBL-2:Biotinylated Conjugate (200×) and Streptavidin-HRP (100×) before use to avoid any loss of the reagent.
- ✧ To avoid pipetting errors, pipetting or sampling accurately for dilution of Standard and samples, for example, a minimum volume of 5 µL is recommended.
- ✧ CHO PLBL-2 Calibration Standard Solutions, 1×Anti-CHO PLBL-2:Biotinylated Conjugate and 1×Streptavidin-HRP solution are recommended for single use due to stability issue. Prepare freshly before each experiment.
- ✧ TMB Substrate should be colorless. If not, discard it and contact us for assistance.
- ✧ Pipette carefully to avoid any bubbles, and gently shake the plate for thorough mixing. Bubbles can influence optical density values and detection results.
- ✧ Avoid the samples containing sodium azide (NaN<sub>3</sub>), which will deactivate the HRP and lead to the underestimation of HCP levels.

## ■ Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
High background signal (OD)	Cross-contamination of reagents, including distilled water	Freshly prepared prior to experiment.
	Cross-contamination of equipment, including micropipettes and centrifuge	Clean the equipment with 75% ethanol before experiment.
	Environment contamination	Separate the working bench to avoid contamination.
	Insufficient washing	Increase the wash buffer volume or wash times, and remove any remaining liquid before proceeding to the next step.
Abnormal values	Improper washing	Swiftly and completely shake off any excess liquid, and avoid reusing paper towels to minimize contamination.
	Improper sampling	Add the samples to the bottom of the wells using micropipettes, and avoid splashing to the neighboring wells.
	Plate sealing	Promptly cover the plate with the sealing film and remove it carefully to prevent splashing.

*If you have any other questions, please contact us for technical support.*

## ■ References

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