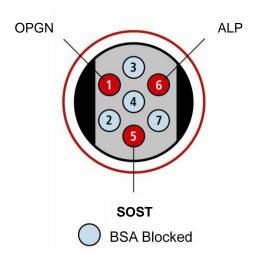
# MSD® 96-Well MULTI-ARRAY® Human Sclerostin Assay

The following assay protocol has been optimized for analysis of sclerostin (SOST) in human serum and plasma samples.

		Storage
MSD Materials		
	MSD Read Buffer T (With Surfactant), 4X	RT
	MSD Blocker A Kit	RT
	MULTI-SPOT® 96-well 7 Spot Human Bone Panel I Plate(s)	2-8°C
	MSD SULFO-TAG™ Anti-hSclerostin Antibody (50X) <sup>1</sup>	2-8°C
	Diluent 100	2-8°C
	Diluent 7	≤-10 °C
	Diluent 11	≤-10 °C
	Human Sclerostin Calibrator (0.1 μg/mL)	≤-70 °C



The SECTOR $^{\circ}$  Imager data file will identify spots according to their well location, not by the coated capture antibody name.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Some SULFO-TAG labeled detection antibodies may be light-sensitive, so they should be stored in the dark.

Notes:

### Other Materials & Equipment (not supplied)

- □ Various microcentrifuge tubes for making serial dilutions of test solutions
- □ Phosphate buffered saline (PBS) for plate washing
- □ Ultrapure water
- □ Automated plate washer
- □ Adhesive plate seals
- □ Microtiter plate shaker
- □ Appropriate liquid handling equipment for desired throughput.

Read the entire detailed instructions before beginning work.

### Protocol at a Glance

The protocol can be completed in approximately 4.5 hours if each reagent is prepared during the preceding incubation. This time can be reduced to 3.5 hours if the blocking step is performed overnight prior to performing the assay.

- **Step 1.** Add Blocking Solution, incubate 1 hour, wash.
- Step 2. Add 25 μL of Diluent 7. Add 25 μL of Calibrator or samples, incubate 2 hours, wash.
- **Step 3.** Add 25 µL of Detection Antibody, incubate 1 hour, wash.
- **Step 4.** Add 150 µL of Read Buffer, read plate and analyze data.

## **Preparation Instructions**

#### Preparation of MSD Blocker A solution:

Prepare MSD Blocker A solution following the instructions included in the MSD Blocker A Kit. MSD Blocker A may be stored at 4°C for up to 2 weeks.

#### Preparation of Read Buffer Solution:

Dilute 4X MSD Read Buffer T stock solution (with surfactant) 4-fold to 1X with deionized water. Diluted Read Buffer may be stored at room temperature for later use.



#### Thaw Diluents:

Thaw Human Sclerostin Calibrator, Diluent 7, and Diluent 11. Vortex briefly once thawed. If there is a precipitate, mix gently and warm to room temperature to dissolve. Keep all materials on ice until use. The remaining amounts of the Diluents after use can be aliquoted and refrozen as needed.

#### Prepare Calibrator Dilutions:

- 1) Determine how many Calibrator levels and replicates will be tested in the experiment; triplicate wells of each Calibrator level are typically recommended. Each well will require 25 μL of Calibrator. Thaw a vial of Human Sclerostin Calibrator on ice. The undiluted Calibrator is at the highest concentration of 100 ng/mL. Vortex briefly. Prepare the required subsequent concentrations by serially diluting the Calibrator 1:10 into Diluent 100. For example, add 15 μL of the Calibrator to 135 μL of Diluent 100 and repeat this dilution five more times. Use Diluent 100 alone as a zero Calibrator condition. Remaining undiluted Calibrator stock solution may be refrozen on dry ice in single use aliquots and stored at ≤-70 °C.
- 2) The Calibrator dilutions should be prepared immediately before use and kept on ice until use.

#### Prepare Detection Antibody Reagent:

- 1) Each well requires 25  $\mu L$  of Detection Antibody Reagent. Prepare 3 mL per plate.
- 2) In a 15 mL tube combine:
  - a. 2.94 mL Diluent 11
  - b. 60 μL of 50X SULFO-TAG Anti-hSclerostin Antibody (final concentration: 1X)
- 3) Detection Antibody Reagent is stable on ice for a few hours.



### **Assay Protocol**

Begin with a MULTI-SPOT 96-well 7 Spot Human Bone Panel I Plate. No pre-treatment is necessary.

- 1) Add 150 μL of MSD Blocker A per well of the Human Bone Panel I Plates, cover and incubate for 30 min to 1 hour at room temperature.
- During blocking prepare Calibrator dilutions, serially diluting using 10-fold dilutions into Diluent 100. Mix gently between dilution steps and keep solutions on ice.
- 3) Wash plates 3 times with 200 µL per well 1X PBS.
- 4) Add 25  $\mu$ L of Diluent 7 to all wells. Next, 25  $\mu$ L of Calibrator dilutions can be added to appropriate calibration wells, and 25  $\mu$ L of undiluted serum/plasma samples to sample wells.
- 5) Cover plate and incubate with shaking for two hours at room temperature.
- 6) During the incubation, prepare Detection Antibody mixture in Diluent 11 (3 mL per plate) to obtain the final concentrations indicated above, and keep on ice until use.
- 7) Wash plates 3 times with 200 µL per well 1X PBS.
- 8) Add 25  $\mu$ L of the Detection Antibody Reagent to each well. Cover and incubate with shaking for 1 hour at room temperature.
- 9) Wash plates 3 times with 200 µL per well 1X PBS.
- 10) Prepare SECTOR Imager to read plate.
- 11) Add 150  $\mu$ L of the 1X MSD Read Buffer T solution to each well and read immediately on the MSD SECTOR Imager.

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