

# PRODUCT INFORMATION & ELISA MANUAL

## TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L Antibody Pair [HRP] NBP2-79357

### Sample Insert for reference use only

Matched Antibody Pair utilized in an Enzyme-linked Immunosorbent Assay for quantitative detection of Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L.

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Not for diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

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#### **BACKGROUND**

Tumor necrosis factor ligand superfamily member 11, also known as Receptor activator of nuclear factor kappa-B ligand, Osteoprotegerin ligand, TNFSF11, RANKL, TRANCE, OPGL and CD254, is a singlepass type II membrane protein which belongs to the tumor necrosis factor family. The receptor activator of nuclear factor-kappaB ligand (RANKL), its cognate receptor RANK, and its natural decoy receptor osteoprotegerin have been identified as the final effector molecules of osteoclastic bone resorption. RANK and RANKL are key regulators of bone remodeling and regulate T cell/dendritic cell communications, and lymph node formation. Moreover, RANKL and RANK are expressed in mammary gland epithelial cells and control the development of a lactating mammary gland during pregnancy. Genetically, RANKL and RANK are essential for the development and activation of osteoclasts and bone loss in response to virtually all triggers tested. Inhibition of RANKL function via the natural decoy receptor osteoprotegerin (OPG, TNFRSF11B) prevents bone loss in postmenopausal osteoporosis and cancer metastases. Importantly, RANKL appears to be the pathogenetic principle that causes bone and cartilage destruction in arthritis. RANK-RANKL signaling not only activates a variety of downstream signaling pathways required for osteoclast development, but crosstalk with other signaling pathways also fine-tunes bone homeostasis both in normal physiology and disease. In addition, RANKL and RANK have essential roles in lymph node formation, establishment of the thymic microenvironment, and development of a lactating mammary gland during pregnancy.

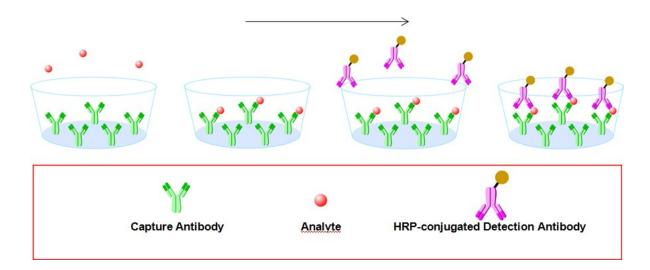
#### PRINCIPLE OF THE TEST

The Novus Biologicals TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L Antibody Pair [HRP] is a solid phase sandwich ELISA (Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay) for the quantitative determination of Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L. It utilizes a monoclonal antibody specific for Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L coated on a 96-well plate. Standards and samples are added to the wells, and any Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L present binds to the immobilized antibody. The wells are washed and a horseradish peroxidase conjugated rabbit anti-Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L monoclonal antibody is then added, producing an antibody-antigen-antibody "sandwich". The wells are again washed and TMB substrate solution is loaded, which produces color in proportion to the amount of Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L present in the sample. To end the enzyme reaction, the stop solution is added and absorbances of the microwell are read at 450 nm.

#### INTENDED USE

- ◆ The Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L Antibody Pair [HRP] is for the quantitative determination of Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L.
- ◆ This TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L Antibody Pair [HRP] contains the basic components required for the development of sandwich ELISAs.

#### ASSAY PROCEDURE SUMMARY



This antibody pair has been configured for research use only and is not to be used in diagnostic procedures.

#### MATERIALS PROVIDED

Bring all reagents to room temperature before use.

Capture Antibody -0.5 mg/mL of rabbit anti-Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L monoclonal antibody (in PBS, pH 7.4). Dilute to a working concentration of 2  $\mu$ g/mL in PBS before coating.

**Detection Antibody** – 0.2 mg/mL of rabbit anti-Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L monoclonal antibody conjugated to horseradish-peroxidase (HRP) (in PBS, 50 % HRP-Protector, pH 7.4, store at  $4^{\circ}$ C). Dilute to working concentration of 0.1 µg/mL in detection antibody dilution buffer before use.

**Standard** – Each vial contains 570 ng of recombinant Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L. Reconstitute with 1 mL detection antibody dilution buffer. After reconstitution, store at - 20 °C to -80 °C in a manual defrost freezer. A seven-point standard curve using 2-fold serial dilutions in sample dilution buffer, and a high standard of 15000 pg/mL is recommended.

#### SOLUTIONS REQUIRED

**PBS** - 136.9 mM NaCl, 10.1 mM Na $_2$ HPO $_4$ , 2.7 mM KCl, 1.8 mM KH $_2$ PO $_4$ , pH 7.4, 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered

**TBS** - 20 mM Tris, 150 mM NaCl, pH 7.4

Wash Buffer - 0.05% Tween20 in TBS, pH 7.2 - 7.4

**Blocking Buffer** - 2% BSA in Wash Buffer

Sample dilution buffer - 0.1% BSA in wash buffer, pH 7.2 - 7.4, 0.2 µm filtered

Detection antibody dilution buffer - 0.5% BSA in wash buffer, pH 7.2 - 7.4, 0.2 µm filtered

Substrate Solution: To achieve best assay results, fresh substrate solution is recommended

Substrate stock solution - 10mg / ml TMB (Tetramethylbenzidine) in DMSO

Substrate dilution buffer - 0.05M Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> and 0.025M citric acid; adjust pH to 5.5

**Substrate working solution** - For each plate dilute 250  $\mu$ l substrate stock solution in 25ml substrate dilution buffer and then add 80  $\mu$ l 0.75%  $H_2O_2$ , mix it well

Stop Solution - 2 N H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

#### **PRECAUTION**

The Stop Solution suggested for use with this antibody pair is an acid solution. Wear eye, hand, face, and clothing protection when using this material.

#### STORAGE

**Capture Antibody**: Aliquot and store at  $-20^{\circ}$ C to  $-80^{\circ}$ C for up to 6 months from date of receipt. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

**Detection Antibody**: Store at  $4^{\circ}$ C and protect it from prolonged exposure to light for up to 6 months from date of receipt. **DO NOT FREEZE!** 

**Standard**: Store lyophilized standard at  $-20\,^{\circ}$ C to  $-80\,^{\circ}$ C for up to 6 months from date of receipt. Aliquot and store the reconstituted standard at  $-80\,^{\circ}$ C for up to 1 month. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

#### **GENERAL ELISA PROTOCOL**

#### **Plate Preparation**

- 1. Dilute the capture antibody to the working concentration in PBS. Immediately coat a 96-well microplate with 100 $\mu$ L per well of the diluted capture antibody. Seal the plate and incubate overnight at 4  $^{\circ}$ C.
- 2. Aspirate each well and wash with at least 300µl wash buffer, repeating the process two times for a total of three washes. Complete removal of liquid at each step is essential for good performance. After the last wash, remove any remaining wash buffer by inverting the plate and blotting it against clean paper towels. 3.Block plates by adding 300 µL of blocking buffer to each well. Incubate at room temperature for a
- minimum of 1 hour.

  4.Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 2. The plates are now ready for sample addition.

#### **Assay Procedure**

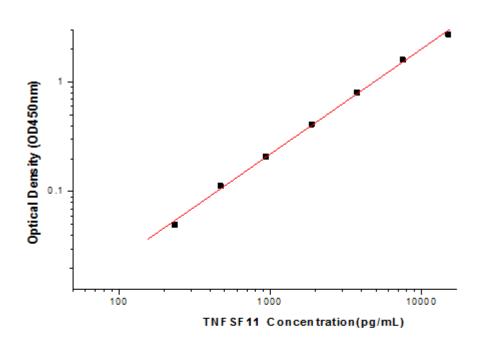
- $1.Add\ 100\ \mu L$  of sample or standards in sample dilution buffer per well. Seal the plate and incubate 2 hours at room temperature.
- 2. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 2 of plate preparation.
- 3. Add  $100~\mu L$  of the detection antibody, diluted in antibody dilution buffer, to each well. Seal the plate and incubate 1 hour at room temperature.
- 4. Repeat the aspiration/wash as in step 2 of plate preparation.
- 5. Add  $200~\mu L$  of substrate solution to each well. Incubate for 20~minutes at room temperature ( if substrate solution is not as requested, the incubation time should be optimized ). Avoid placing the plate in direct light.
- 6.Add 50 µL of stop solution to each well. Gently tap the plate to ensure thorough mixing.
- 7. Determine the optical density of each well immediately, using a microplate reader set to 450 nm.

#### CALCULATION OF RESULTS

- Calculate the mean absorbance for each set of duplicate standards, controls and samples. Subtract the mean zero standard absorbance from each.
- Construct a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance for each standard on the y-axis against the concentration on the x-axis and draw a best fit curve through the points on the graph.
- •To determine the concentration of the unknowns, find the unknowns' mean absorbance value on the y-axis and draw a horizontal line to the standard curve. At the point of intersection, draw a vertical line to the x-axis and read the concentration. If samples have been diluted, the concentration read from the standard curve must be multiplied by the dilution factor.
- Alternatively, computer-based curve-fitting statistical software may also be employed to calculate the concentration of the sample.

#### **TYPICAL DATA**

This standard curve is only for demonstration purposes. A standard curve should be generated for each assay.



Concentration ( pg/mL)	Zero standard subtracted OD
0	0
234.38	0.050
468.75	0.113
937.5	0.209
1875	0.412
3750	0.805
7500	1.599
15000	2.727

#### PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTIC

#### **SENSITIVITY**

The minimum detectable dose of Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L was determined to be approximately **234.38 pg/ml**. This is defined as at least three times standard deviations above the mean optical density of 10 replicates of the zero standard.

#### **TROUBLE SHOOTING**

Problems	Possible Sources	Solutions			
	Incorrect or no Detection Antibody was added	Add appropriate Detection Antibody and continue			
No signal	Substrate solution was not added	Add substrate solution and continue			
	Incorrect storage condition	Check if the kit is stored at recommended condition and used before expiration date			
Poor Standard Curve	Standard was incompletely reconstituted or was inappropriately stored	Aliquot reconstituted standard and store at -80 $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$			
	Imprecise / inaccurate pipetting	Check / calibrate pipettes			
	Incubations done at inappropriate temperature, timing or agitation	Follow the general ELISA protocol			
	Background wells were contaminated	Avoid cross contamination by using the sealer appropriately			
	The concentration of antigen in samples was too low	Enriching samples to increase the concentration of antigen			
Poor detection value	Samples were ineffective	Check if the samples are stored at cold environment. Detect samples in timely manner			
High Background		Use multichannel pipettes without touching the reagents on the plate			
	Insufficient washes	Increase cycles of washes and soaking time between washes			
	TMB Substrate Solution was contaminated	TMB Substrate Solution should be clear and colorless prior to addition to wells			
	Materials were contaminated.	Use clean plates, tubes and pipettes tips			
Non-analysis	Samples were contaminated	Avoid cross contamination of samples			
Non-specificity		Try higher dilution rate of samples			

	ELISA Plate Template											
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## Human TRANCE/TNFSF11/RANK L Antibody Pair [HRP] Notes