

SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION OF THE TEST

Alpha-Synuclein (α -Synuclein) is a member of the synuclein family of proteins including β -synuclein and γ -synuclein. α -Synuclein has been found concentrated in the presynaptic nerve terminals of neurons and in the nucleus of neurons. The human α -synuclein protein is made of 140 amino acids, encoded by the SNCA gene. The physiological function of α -synuclein may associate with regulating synaptic transmission, dopamine metabolism, vesicle trafficking etc. While native α -synuclein is unfolded, it has a propensity to form toxic soluble oligomers (i.e., protofibrils) that ultimately aggregate into insoluble fibrils. The fibrils and amyloid forms of α -synuclein are major components of Lewy bodies. α -Synuclein has been linked to the pathogenesis of Parkinson's disease, Parkinson's disease dementia, and dementia with Lewy bodies. α -Synuclein is also shown to be linked with Alzheimer's disease.

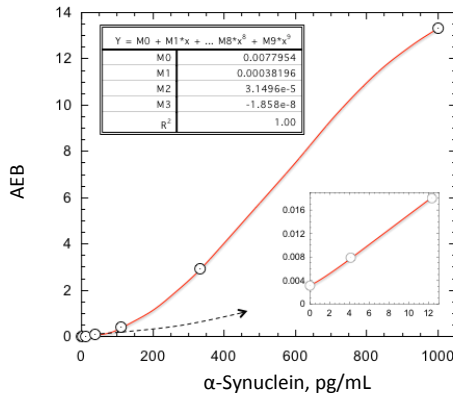


Figure 1: Simoa™ α -Synuclein immunoassay calibration curve. Cubic curve fit parameters are depicted.

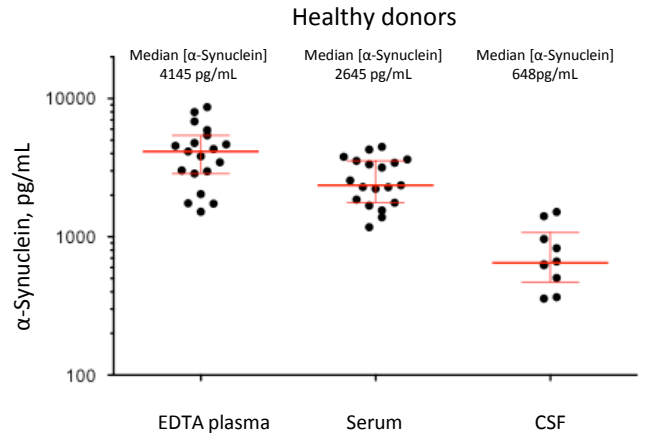


Figure 2: [α -Synuclein] in EDTA plasma (n = 20), matched serum (n = 20), and cerebral spinal fluid (CSF, n = 10). Error bars depict median and interquartile ranges.

Table 1: General characteristics of Simoa Human α -Synuclein immunoassay

Calibration range	0-1,000 pg/mL
Dynamic range¹	0-10,000 pg/mL
Lower limit of detection (2.5SD; 3 reps x 5 runs, 1 instrument, 1 reagent lot; mean LoD ²)	0.955 pg/mL
Lower limit of quantification (5 runs, 1 instrument, 1 reagent lot) ³	4.12 pg/mL
Spike-recovery (serum/plasma) (α -Synuclein spiked into 2 serum and 2 plasma samples at 2 levels, mean ⁴)	86.0%
Spike-recovery (CSF) (α -Synuclein spiked into 4 CSF samples at 2 levels, mean ⁵)	105.7%
Dilution Linearity (serum) (Spiked serum diluted 2x serially from MRD to 32xMRD with Sample Diluent, mean recovery ⁶)	94.7%
Dilution Linearity (CSF) (CSF sample diluted 2x serially from MRD to 64xMRD with Sample Diluent, mean recovery ⁷)	88.0%
Typical sample volume (Includes dead volume; see Package Insert for details)	19 μ L
Minimum sample volume (Includes dead volume; see Package Insert for details)	2.1 μ L

The Simoa Human α -Synuclein immunoassay quantifies α -synuclein in serum, plasma and CSF with median α -synuclein values well above the sensitivity limit.

¹Samples auto-diluted 10X. ²SD 0.691 pg/mL; range 0.202-1.760 pg/mL. ³ \leq 20%CV, 80-120% recovery; pooled CV 14.0%, mean recovery 101.1%; not corrected for pre-dilutions; 10X LoQ 41.2 pg/mL. ⁴Range 79.7-93.6%. ⁵Range 102.4-108.4%. ⁶Range 82.2-105.7%; minimum recommended dilution (MRD) 1:10. ⁷Range 74.9-100.1%; MRD 1:10.

Table 2: Precision characteristics of Simoa Human α -Synuclein immunoassay. Representative precision was estimated with repeated assay of serum panels using three instruments and one reagent lot. Within-run and between-run CVs are depicted in the following table. Within-run CVs reflect average CVs across 5 experiments of 3 replicates each.

Sample	Mean α -Synuclein (pg/mL)	Within Run %CV (n=5)	Between Run %CV (n=5)
Serum panel 1	1933.4	3.1	3.2
Serum panel 2	3325.0	5.2	2.2
Serum panel 3	563	3.1	2.3



Simoa HD-1 Analyzer

Representative data. Individual results may vary depending upon samples tested and protocols followed.

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