# **RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526)**

Soluble SARS-CoV-2 lota variant (B.1.526) Spike RBD protein fused to Lucia luciferase

Catalog code: rbd-lucia-v6

https://www.invivogen.com/b1526-rbd-lucia

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# PRODUCT INFORMATION

#### Contents

- 50 µg of RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) (provided lyophilized)
- 1.5 ml endotoxin-free water

• 1 tube of QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent, a Lucia luciferase detection reagent (sufficient to prepare 25 ml). Store at -20 °C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. This product is photosensitive and should be protected from light.

**Protein construction:** RBD [R319-F541] from the lota variant (B.1.526) Spike protein with a C-terminal Lucia luciferase reporter and histidine tag.

Sequence: GISAID EPI\_ISL\_765495 (codon optimized)

Origin: Iota Variant (B.1.526 lineage) | New York origin

Tag: 6 x histidine tag

Total protein size: 461 amino acids (including Lucia luciferase) Molecular weight: ~52 kDa

Purification: IMAC

Purity: >90% (SDS-PAGE)

**Formulation:** 0.2 µm filtered solution in a sodium phosphate buffer with 1% Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA), saccharose, and stabilizing agents.

#### Storage and stability

- Product is shipped at room temperature. Upon receipt, store lyophilized protein and QUANTI-Luc™ 4 Reagent at -20 °C.

- Reconstituted protein is stable for 1 month when stored at 4°C and for 1 year when aliquoted and stored at -20 °C.

- After preparation, QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent working solution is stable for 48 hours at 4°C and 1 month at -20°C. Prepare aliquots to avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. Protect from light.

#### Quality control

The size and purity of the protein has been confirmed by SDS-PAGE.
 RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) has been functionally validated by a luciferase-based ELISA using clinically relevant anti-Spike mAbs.

- Absence of bacterial contamination (e.g. lipoproteins and endotoxins) has been confirmed using HEK-Blue™ TLR2 and TLR4 cellular assays.

# PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

**RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526)** (~52 kDa) is a soluble fusion protein composed of the Receptor Binding Domain (RBD) from the SARS-CoV-2 lota variant (B.1.526) Spike protein fused to a C-terminal Lucia luciferase reporter. RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) has been generated by recombinant DNA technology, produced in CHO cells, and purified by IMAC (Immobilized Metal Affinity Chromatography) using a C-terminal histidine tag.

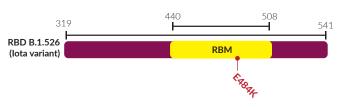
Spike (S) is a structural glycoprotein expressed on the surface of SARS-CoV-2. It mediates viral entry and membrane fusion of target cells upon binding to the host receptor  $ACE2^1$ .

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#### SARS-CoV-2 Spike RBD

RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) contains the Spike RBD from the SARS-CoV-2 lota variant (B.1.526), first reported in New York in November 2020. This variant is characterized by the presence of a key mutation within the Spike RBD coding region, which is of concern<sup>2</sup>.

• E484K

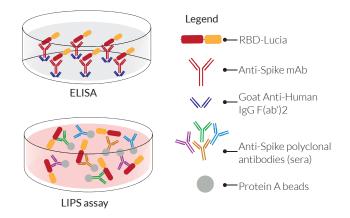


## **APPLICATIONS**

RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) has been specifically designed to assess the binding affinity of anti-Spike antibodies using either a solid-phase assay, ELISA, or the solution phase assay LIPS (luciferase immunoprecipitation systems).

• ELISA: the C-terminal Lucia luciferase tag provides a larger dynamic range than the commonly used HRP detection.

• LIPS: for the detection of antibodies, against both linear and conformational epitopes, in the sera of recovered COVID-19 patients and/or vaccinees<sup>3</sup>. See the otherside for a detailed protocol.



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# METHODS

#### RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) resuspension (100 µg/ml)

Note: Ensure you see the lyophilized pellet before resuspension.

- Add 500  $\mu l$  of endotoxin-free water to the vial and gently pipette until completely resuspended.

- Prepare aliquots and store at -20 °C until required.

#### Luciferase-based ELISA protocol

Below is an optimized protocol for using InvivoGen's RBD-Lucia in a luciferase-based ELISA to measure the binding of monoclonal antibodies (mAb).

Note: This protocol is not optimized for sera testing.

#### Preparation of the plate

1. Prepare a coating solution by diluting a Fab'2 Anti-Fc (appropriate to the test mAb isotype) at 2  $\mu g/ml$  in 50 mM carbonate-bicarbonate buffer.

- 2. Distribute 50 µl per well of a 96-well opaque MaxiSorp plate.
- 3. Incubate overnight at room temperature.
- 4. Discard the coating Anti-Fc solution.
- 5. Add 200 µl of PBS + 3% BSA (blocking solution).
- 6. Incubate for 2 hours at 37°C.
- 7. Discard the blocking solution.

Note: the plate may be stored at -20°C until further use.

#### Preparation of RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) protein

1. Thaw an RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) (100 µg/ml) aliquot

2. Prepare a 1  $\mu$ g/ml working solution of RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) + 0.05% Tween + 1% BSA.

#### Sample preparation

1. Prepare a solution of the test antibody in PBS + 0.05% Tween + 1% BSA.

2. Prepare solutions of the positive and negative control antibodies (e.g. Anti-CoV2RBD-imd-mlgG2a and Anti- $\beta$ Gal-mlgG2a, respectively) in PBS + 0.05% Tween + 1% BSA.

3. Further dilute the antibodies 1:2 or 1:3 in PBS + 0.05% Tween + 1% BSA.

#### General ELISA protocol

1. Distribute 50  $\mu$ l of prepared samples (diluted antibody solutions) per well of the pre-coated MaxiSorp plate.

Add 50 µl/well of the RBD-Lucia protein working solution (1 µg/ml).
 Incubate for 2 hours at 37°C.

4. Thoroughly wash (at least 3 times) the plate using 200  $\mu\text{l/well}$  of PBS + 0.05% Tween.

5. Prepare QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent working solution following the instructions on the enclosed data sheet.

Set the luminometer with the following parameters: end-point measurement with a 4 second start time and 0.1 second reading time.
 Add 50 µl of QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent working solution to each well.

8. Proceed with the measurement.

#### LIPS protocol

Below is an optimized protocol for using InvivoGen's RBD-Lucia in a LIPS assay to measure the antibody response in recovered patient or vaccinee serum. This protocol has been specifically designed using Protein A agarose beads. If using other types of Protein A beads (e.g. magnetic beads), the protocol will need to be adjusted accordingly.

#### Preparation of RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) protein

1. Thaw an RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) (100  $\mu$ g/ml) aliquot 2. Prepare a 10  $\mu$ g/ml working solution of RBD-LuciaV6 (B.1.526) in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) + 0.05% Tween + 1% BSA.

#### Sample preparation

#### • Positive & negative controls

1. Prepare 100  $\mu$ g/ml solutions of the positive and negative control antibodies (e.g. Anti-CoV2RBD-imd-mlgG2a and Anti- $\beta$ Gal-hlgG1, respectively) in PBS.

2. Further dilute the antibodies 1:2 (50 µg/ml) in human serum (free of previous SARS-CoV-2 infection).

#### • Sample preparation (patient/vaccinee serum samples)

1. Heat the sample at 56°C for 30 minutes.

#### General LIPS protocol

 Prepare Protein A beads according to the manufacturers protocol.
 Equilibrate the Protein A beads in PBS and make a homogenous 30% suspension.

- 3. In a 96-well PCR plate (conical-bottom) add:
  - a. 6µl of pre-equilibrated Protein A bead suspension
    - b. 10  $\mu l$  of RBD-LuciaV6 protein working solution (10  $\mu g/ml)$
  - c. 1  $\mu I$  of prepared sample (antibody controls or recovered

## patient/vaccinee serum (diluted in 40 $\mu I$ PBS + 0.05% Tween + 1% BSA)

4. Incubate at room temperature for 2 hours with orbital shaking.

5. Purify and thoroughly wash (at least 6 times) RBD-Lucia-antibody complexes bound to the Protein A beads.

<u>Note</u>: Depending on the type of Protein A beads used, this step can be performed by centifugation, magnetic rack, or as tested by InvivoGen, by transferring to a Polyvinylidene Fluoride (PVDF) plate and using vacuum suction.

6. Prepare QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent working solution following the instructions on the enclosed data sheet.

7. Set the luminometer with the following parameters: end-point measurement with a 4 second start time and 0.1 second reading time.
8. Add 50 µl of QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent working solution to each well.

9. Proceed with the measurement.

# RELATED PRODUCTS

Product	Catalog Code
QUANTI-Luc <sup>™</sup> 4 Lucia/Gaussia	rep-qlc4lg1
Anti-Spike-RBD-hlgG1	srbd-mab1
Anti-Spike-RBD-mlgG2a	srbd-mab10
Anti-CoV2RBD-cas-mlgG2a	srbdc3-mab10
Anti-CoV2RBD-imd-mlgG2a	srbdc4-mab10
Anti-CoV2RBD-bam-mlgG2a	srbdc5-mab10
Anti-CoV2RBD-ete-mlgG2a	srbdc6-mab10
Anti-βGal-hlgG1	bgal-mab1
Anti-βGal-mlgG2a	bgal-mab10

**Note:** For more products related to COVID-19 research, please visit our website <u>https://www.invivogen.com/covid-19</u>



# **QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent**

A coelenterazine-based luminescence assay reagent

https://www.invivogen.com/quanti-luc

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## PRODUCT INFORMATION

#### Contents

• 1 tube of QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent (20X)

One tube of QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent is sufficient for 5 x 96-well plates (25 ml standard Flash/end-point detection).

# Note: This sample cannot be sold separately from the QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Lucia/Gaussia kit.

QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Lucia/Gaussia comprises two liquid components:

• QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent 20X (coelenterazine substrate)

• QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Stabilizer 25X (optimized Glow assay reagent) Find more information at <u>https://www.invivogen.com/quanti-luc</u>.

#### Storage and Stability

- Store QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent at -20°C for up to 12 months.

– After preparation, the working solution is stable for 48 hours at 4°C and 1 month at -20°C. Prepare aliquots to avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

**Note:** This product is photosensitive and should be protected from light.

#### Quality Control

Each lot is thoroughly tested to ensure the absence of lot-to-lot variation.

- Physicochemical characterization (pH, appearance).

- Functional assays using recombinant Lucia protein or reporter cells.

### DESCRIPTION

QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent is a component of the QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Lucia/Gaussia kit. It contains the coelenterazine substrate for the detection of secreted Lucia or Gaussia activity in live-cell supernatants, and of intracellular Renilla after cell lysis. The light signal produced correlates to the amount of luciferase protein expressed. It is quantified using a luminometer and expressed as relative light units (RLUs).

## METHODS

#### Preparation of QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent working solution (1X):

1. Dilute the total volume of the 20X tube (1.25 ml) of Reagent into 23.75 ml of sterile water to obtain 25 ml of working solution. 2. Vortex **very briefly** (a few seconds).

3. Use the working solution immediately or store until required for use. QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent working solution can be stored for 48 hours at 4°C or 1 month at -20°C.

#### Flash detection of luciferase activity from cell culture medium:

To obtain **end-point readings** using a luminometer **with an injector**. 1. Set the luminometer with the following parameters:  $50 \ \mu$ l of injection, end-point measurement with a 4 second start time and 0.1 second reading time.

2. Pipet 20 µl of sample per well into a 96-well white (opaque) or black plate, or a luminometer tube.

3. Prime the injector with QUANTI-Luc<sup>™</sup> 4 Reagent 1X and proceed **immediately** with the measurement.

To obtain **end-point readings** using a luminometer **without injectors**.

1. Set the luminometer with a 0.1 second reading time.

2. Pipet 20 µl of sample per well into a 96-well white (opaque) or black plate, or a luminometer tube.

- 3. Add 50 µl of QUANTI-Luc™ 4 Reagent 1X to each well or tube.
- 4. Gently tap the plate several times to mix (do not vortex).
- 5. Proceed **immediately** with the measurement.

# **RELATED PRODUCTS**

Product	Cat. Code
QUANTI-Luc™ 4 Lucia/Gaussia Kit 500 tests 2 x 500 tests 5 x 500 tests	rep-qlc4lg1 rep-qlc4lg2 rep-qlc4lg5

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