

# Total Antioxidant Capacity (T-AOC) Assay Kit

Cat No. TAC-M-001-50

Size: 50 Reactions

Store at 4°C

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Components	Quantity
Extraction Reagent	50ml
Reagent I	35ml
Reagent II	20ml
Reagent III	5ml
Standard: FeSO <sub>4</sub> ·7H <sub>2</sub> O	10mg

## Description

Total antioxidant capacity is made up primarily for antioxidants and antioxidant enzymes. It can detect total antioxidant capacity of all kinds of antioxidant like serum, plasma, cell or tissue lysate and others.

The total antioxidant capacity can be reacted by reducing Fe<sup>3+</sup> - three pyridine three azine (Fe<sup>3+</sup> -tptz) to blue Fe<sup>2+</sup>-tptz in acidic environment.

## Reagents and Equipment Required but Not Provided:

Spectrophotometer, water bath, low temperature centrifuge, cuvette, distilled water.

## Preparations

**Standard Preparation:** In 10mg of FeSO<sub>4</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O add 1.75ml distilled water and 1 drop of concentrated sulfuric acid to form 20μmol/mL FeSO<sub>4</sub> standard solution.

**Mixture:** Reagent I: Reagent II : Reagent III = 7:1:1, keep at 37°C before using.

## Protocol

### I. Sample preparation:

#### 1. Serum, plasma, saliva or urine samples

Plasma should be taken in sodium citrate vacutainer or alternatively in heparin. Centrifuge at 5000 rpm for 10min, take supernatant for test. Detect directly or after cryopreserving in -80°C (within 30 days).

#### 2. Cell or tissue sample

Take 100-200 million cells or 0.1g tissue, adding 1.0ml pre-cooled extraction reagent, homogenize cells by vortexing or fully broken cells with ultrasonic bath, centrifuge at 10,000 rpm for 5min at 4°C, take supernatant for test.

### II. Determination procedure:

1. Mark 8 tubes with 0.2, 0.1, 0.05, 0.0125, 0.00625, 0.003125, 0.00156 μmol/mL and blank. Take 10μL from 20μmol/mL FeSO<sub>4</sub> standard solution and add in 990μL of distilled water in the tube marked as 0.2. Take 500μL from 0.2μmol/mL standard and pipette out in 0.05μmol/mL tube, likewise take 500μL from 0.05 tube and pour in 0.0125 standard. Serially dispense 500μL from each standard to the next standard marked above. Add 500μL Reagent II in each standard tube and mix thoroughly for 10 min, set zero in spectrophotometer with double distilled water and take reading at 593nm, calculate  $\Delta A = A(S) - A(B)$ , the final concentration of Fe<sup>2+</sup> is 0.1, 0.05, 0.025, 0.0125, 0.00625, 0.003125, 0.00156, 0.00078 μmol/mL.

2. Preheat the spectrophotometer for 30 minutes, adjust wavelength to 593 nm, set zero with distilled water.

3.

	Contrast tube (C)	Test tube (T)
Mixture ( $\mu\text{L}$ )	900 $\mu\text{L}$	900 $\mu\text{L}$
Sample ( $\mu\text{L}$ )		30 $\mu\text{L}$
Double distilled water ( $\mu\text{L}$ )	120 $\mu\text{L}$	90 $\mu\text{L}$
Mix thoroughly for 10min, set zero with distilled water, 1cm light path, detect $A_{593}$ calculate $\Delta A = A(T) - A(C)$ .		

## Calculations

### 1. Draw standard curve

Take the  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  final concentration as X-axis,  $\Delta A$  as Y-axis, draw standard curve, get  $y=kx+b$  and x according to  $\Delta A$ .

2. **Unit definition:** the antioxidant capacity of sample showed by the needed ionic concentration of standard solution to the same absorbance  $\Delta A$ .

### A. Protein concentration:

Total antioxidant capacity (U/mg prot) =  $x \times V_{rv} \div (V_s \times C_{pr})$  or  
 $= 34 \times x \div C_{pr}$

### B. Sample weight

Total antioxidant capacity (U/g) =  $x \times V_{rv} \div (V_s \div V_{sv} \times W)$  or  
 $= 34 \times x \div W$

### C. Cell

Total antioxidant capacity (U/ $10^4$ cell) =  $x \times V_{rv} \div V_s \times V_{sv} \div N (10^4)$  or  
 $= 34 \times x \div N (10^4)$

### D. Solution volume

Total antioxidant capacity (U/mL) =  $x \times V_{rv} \div V_s$  or  
 $= 34 \times x$

$V_{rv}$ : reaction total volume, 1.02 mL;

$V_s$ : the sample volume, 0.03 ml;

$V_{sv}$ : the extraction volume, 1 ml;

W: sample weight, g;

$C_{pr}$ : sample protein concentration, mg/mL;

N: cell quantity, ( $10^4$ ).

### Notes:

1. Wear latex gloves and clothing for the safe.
2. Do not use blue or nearly blue sample to avoid interfering.
3. Do not add detergents like Tween, Triton, NP-40 and DTT to avoid influencing reaction.
4. Dilute or concentrate sample if the absorbance outside of standard curve.