

## Recombinant chimeric antigen ChimToxo1 for *Toxoplasma gondii*

**CATALOG NUMBER:** RAG0058

**LOT NUMBER:** #

**RECOMBINANT ANTIGEN:** recombinant chimeric antigen for *T. gondii*

**DESCRIPTION:** the recombinant chimeric antigen of Toxo has been prepared as a chimeric protein formed by some antigenic determinants of SAG1 and GRA8 of this parasite.

**PRESENTATION:** liquid protein solution

**SOURCE:** *Pichia pastoris*

**SPECIFIC ANTIBODY (CALIBRATOR):** IgG polyclonal antibody against GRA7 and GRA8 (Rekom Biotech catalog reference PAB0005)

**MOLECULAR WEIGHT:** SDS-PAGE analysis determines that the protein band is between the molecular markers of 66,000 Da and 45,000 Da due to the glycosylation pattern, while relative molecular mass, calculated from amino acid sequence and without glycosylation, is 38,636.97 Da.

**BATCH COMPOSITION:**

COMPONENTS	COMPOSITION
his-ChimToxo1	recombinant chimeric antigen with a his-tag in its N-terminus
Storage buffer	20 mM phosphate buffer pH 7 and 0.1 M KCl

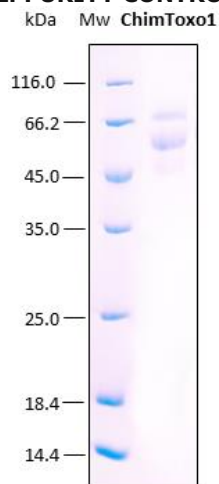
**QUALITY CONTROL:**

### 1. PROTEIN CONCENTRATION DETERMINED ESPECTROPHOTOMETRICALLY

$DO_{280} = 1.054$   
 $A_{0.1\%} (=1 \text{ g/l}) = 0.719$   
 CONCENTRATION\*: 1.47 mg/ml

\* The measurement of the protein concentration has been performed with the theoretical extinction coefficient of the recombinant protein obtained from Gill and vonHippel, 1989. It is recommended that the users carry out their absorbance determinations to avoid equipment variabilities regarding final concentration, mainly in reproducibility analysis.

### 2. PURITY CONTROL IN SDS-PAGE: 15%

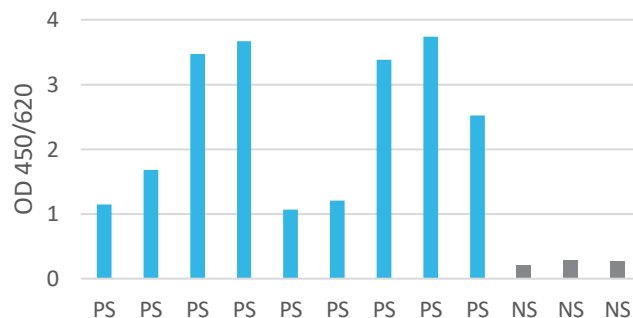


**Figure 1.** SDS-PAGE analysis (15%) of 4  $\mu$ l of recombinant ChimToxo1. Purity is >95% as determined by gel electrophoresis. Both bands correspond to the target protein as react with an anti-His Ab.

### 3. POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE SERA DISCRIMINATION BY AN ELISA ASSAY

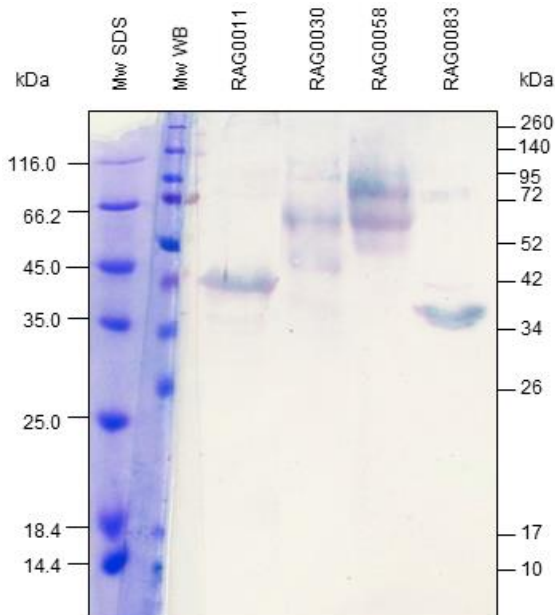
The titer has been suggested in reference to an "in-house" ELISA kit performed at Rekom Biotech over the first lot obtained. ELISA assay was performed with a serum sample panel of 9 IgG-positive specimen sera and 3 negative sera pre-validated by LIAISON® Toxoplasmosis IgG (DiaSorin).

Each end user should carry out his own titration for his particular application.



**Figure 2.** This plot shows an indirect IgG ELISA assay performed with the ChimToxo1 recombinant antigen. The optical density at 450/620 nm for positive sera (pale blue) and negative sera (gray) are displayed in the graphic. **For specimen discrimination sera, the coating was performed with 1  $\mu$ g/ml of protein in microtiter plates and 12.5  $\mu$ g of anti-CCD sorbent (Ref. Rekom SOR001) were added to the sera 10 min before incubation with the coated antigen.**

### 4. WESTERN BLOT ANALYSIS



**Figure 3.** When a polyclonal Ab obtained by using a clarified native extract of sporozoite oocysts of *Toxoplasma gondii* as immunogen was used in a western blot analysis, clear signals were obtained in our recombinant antigens for *T. gondii* RAG0030, RAG0011, RAG0083 and RAG0058.

### 5. ABSENCE OF PRECIPITATION AFTER A FREEZING AND THAWING CYCLE: ok

**LOT SPECIFICATIONS:**

- 1. CONCENTRATION:** 1.47 mg/ml
- 2. TOTAL QUANTITY PER ALIQUOT:** 1 mg
- 3. TOTAL VOLUME PER ALIQUOT:** 0.714 ml
- 4. SUGGESTED TITER BY ELISA:** up to 1:1,470, which corresponds to 1 µg/ml of protein concentration in plates for IgG detection.
- 5. STORAGE:** Protein is shipped with dry ice. Upon arrival, it should be aliquoted to avoid repeated freezing and thawing cycles and stored at -20°C to -80°C. In order to defrost the protein, maintain the aliquot at 25°C without shaking to avoid aggregation.
- 6. TESTED APPLICATIONS:** ELISA and western blot.
- 7. POSSIBLE APPLICATIONS:** WB, DB, Indirect ELISA, positive control in direct ELISA, CLIA, lateral-flow. Where this product has not been tested for use in a particular technique, this does not necessarily exclude its use in such procedures. Suggested working dilutions are given as a guide only. It is recommended that the user titrates. **Due to the nonspecific interaction with anti-CCDs present in normal human or animal sera, we strongly recommend using 12.5 µg of our sorbent SOR0001 on the analyzed sera in any immunoassay.**
- 8. OBSERVATIONS:** proteins should be maintained frozen at high concentrations. The dilution to be performed for ELISA assays should be made with a small quantity of protein, the same day of the experiment. In order to defrost the protein, maintain the aliquot at 25°C without shaking to avoid aggregation. Prior making test dilutions and after defrosting the protein, is recommended to remove possible protein aggregates by centrifuging the stock solution, avoiding alterations in the immobilization of the biomolecule to the solid surface.

**RELATED PRODUCTS:**

p29 (GRA7), p30 (SAG1), p35 (GRA8).

**BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

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**Gill SC, von Hippel PH.** Calculation of protein extinction coefficients from amino acid sequence data. *Anal Biochem.* 1989 Nov 1;182(2):319-26.

**Important Notes:** During shipment, small volumes of product will occasionally become entrapped in the seal of the product vial. For products with volumes of 200 µl or less, we recommend gently tapping the vial on a hard surface or briefly centrifuging the vial in a tabletop centrifuge to dislodge any liquid in the containers cap.

Although recombinant antigens are expressed in non-pathogenic *P. pastoris* and bacterial integrity is destroyed during purification, the antigen preparation should be handled as potentially infectious.

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