

CATALOG & PRICING

Cat. #	Conjugation	Size
VYN7-20	None	20 µL
VYN7-50		50 µL
VYN7-100		100 µL
VYN7B-20	Biotin	20 µL
VYN7B-50		50 µL
VYN7B-100		100 µL
VYN7H-20	Horseradish Peroxidase	20 µL
VYN7H-50		50 µL
VYN7H-100		100 µL

ANTIGEN BACKGROUND

The single-stranded, plus-sense severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) genome encodes nonstructural replicase polyproteins as well as structural proteins such as spike (S), nucleocapsid (N), membrane (M) and envelop (E) proteins (Zhou et al., 2020). The N protein is abundantly expressed and highly immunogenic during SARS-CoV-2 infection (Cong et al., 2020). The middle or C-terminal region of the N protein has been shown to elicit antibody production during the immune response (Dutta et al., 2020). Although the surface electrostatic potential characteristics of SARS-CoV-2 N are different from other coronavirus N proteins (Kang et al., 2020), the sequences are conserved among these proteins (Dutta et al., 2020). Besides S protein, N protein is also considered a leading target antigen for vaccine development (Chen et al., 2020; Dutta et al., 2020).

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PRODUCT FEATURES

- Recombinant antibodies with minimum batch-to-batch variations
- Thoroughly tested using SARS-CoV-2, human nasopharyngeal swabs, and rN
- No cross-reactivity with SARS or MERS

PRODUCT DETAILS**ALIASES OF THE PROTEIN (ANTIGEN)**

Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 nucleocapsid; 2019 novel coronavirus nucleoprotein; SARS-CoV-2 NP; SARS-CoV-2 N protein

ANTIGEN BACKGROUND

UniProt Entry: P59595

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Antigen Molecular Weight: 46 kDa

Clonality: Rabbit monoclonal antibody

Clone ID: V700-G5

Species Reactivity: SARS-CoV-2

Applications Tested: Western blotting (WB), ELISA, Immunoprecipitation (IP)

ANTIGEN SUBCELLULAR LOCATION

Virion; Host ER-Golgi intermediate compartment; host Golgi apparatus; host perinuclear region

IMMUNOGEN

Recombinant SARS-CoV-2 nucleocapsid protein

ISOTYPE

Rabbit IgG

SHIPPING

Supplied in PBS (pH 7.5) containing 0.01% sodium azide

STORAGE

Store at – 20°C

RECOMMENDED DILUTIONS

Western blotting (WB): 1:2,000

ELISA: 1:10,000

Immunoprecipitation (IP): 1:50-1:100

VALIDATION DATA

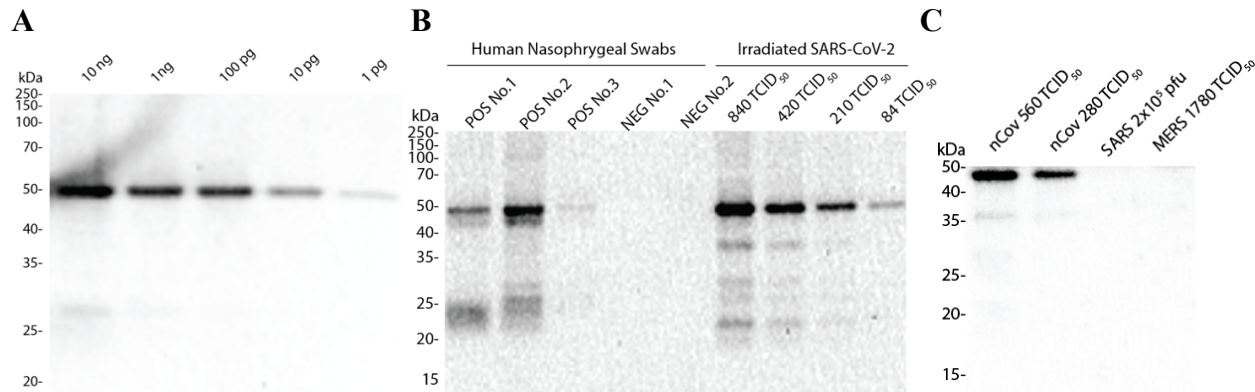


Figure 1. Antibody specificity and cross-reactivity test. Serial dilutions of recombinant SARS-CoV-2 N protein (Cat# VPN2) (A), 3 positive and 2 negative human nasopharyngeal swab specimens (20 μ L) (B), and different concentrations of gamma-irradiated SARS-CoV-2 (nCoV, B&C), SARS-CoV (SARS) (C), and MERS (C) were lysed in Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101) and blotted with rabbit monoclonal anti-N primary antibody (Cat# VY7N, 1:2,000). HRP-conjugated highly cross-adsorbed goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody (Cat# 202, 1:2,000) was applied. The blots were incubated using the PiQTM ECL Substrate Kit (Cat# 636) and imaged using a chemiluminescence digital imager. Note that 1) the NP POS No.3 swab had a very low viral load; and 2) There was no cross-reactivity of the antibody with SARS or MERS.

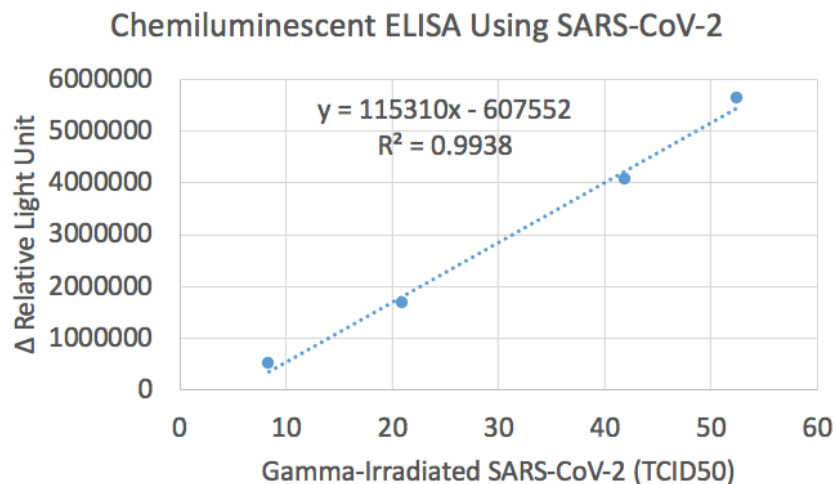


Figure 2. Chemiluminescent ELISA using SARS-CoV-2. Different concentrations of gamma-irradiated SARS-CoV-2 viruses were lysed in the Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101) and coated (150 μ L) on microplate wells. Rabbit monoclonal anti-N antibody (Cat# VYN7, 1:10,000 dilution) and HRP-conjugated highly cross-adsorbed goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody (Cat# 202, 1:20,000) were used to detect the SARS-CoV-2 N protein. PiQTM ECL substrates (Cat# 636) were used to produce chemiluminescent signals. RLU, relative light unit. Δ RLU = RLU of the well with the primary antibody - RLU of the corresponding well without the primary antibody, everything else being equal.

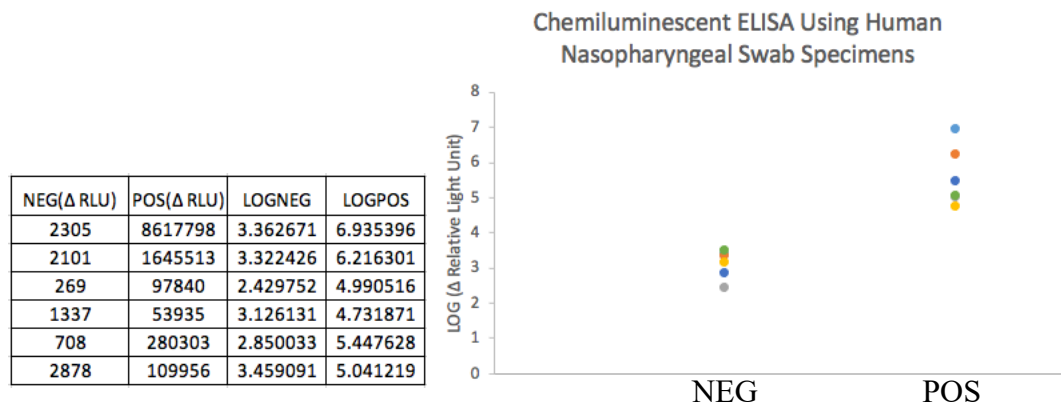


Figure 3. Chemiluminescent ELISA using human nasopharyngeal swab specimens. Six negative (NEG) and 6 positive (POS) human nasopharyngeal swab specimens were lysed in the Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101) and coated on microplate wells. Rabbit monoclonal anti-N antibody (Cat# VYN7, 1:10,000 dilution) and HRP-conjugated highly cross-adsorbed goat anti-rabbit IgG secondary antibody (Cat# 202, 1:20,000) were used to detect SARS-CoV-2 N protein. RLU, relative light unit. Δ RLU = RLU of the well with the primary antibody - RLU of the corresponding well without the primary antibody, everything else being equal. Note: Each dot represents an individual specimen.

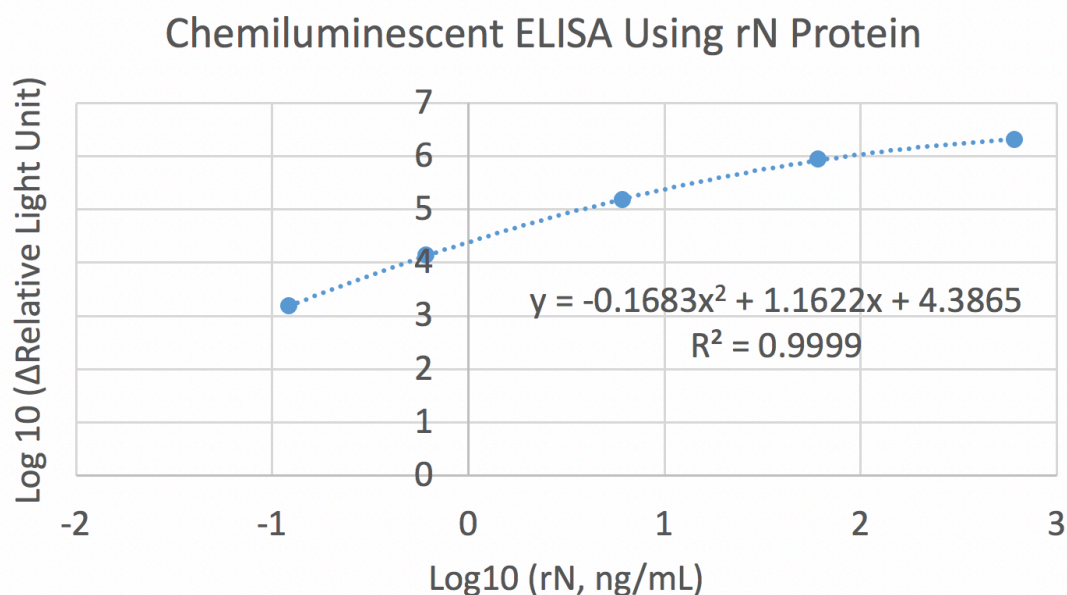


Figure 4. Chemiluminescent ELISA using recombinant nucleocapsid protein (rN). Different concentrations of rN (Cat# VPN1) lysed in the Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101) were coated on microplate wells. Rabbit monoclonal anti-N antibody (Cat# VYN7, 1:10,000) and HRP-conjugated highly cross-adsorbed goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody (Cat# 202, 1:20,000) were used to detect SARS-CoV-2 N protein. ShQTM ECL reagents were used to generate chemiluminescent signals. RLU, relative light unit. Δ RLU = RLU of the well with the primary antibody - RLU of the corresponding well without the primary antibody, everything else being equal.

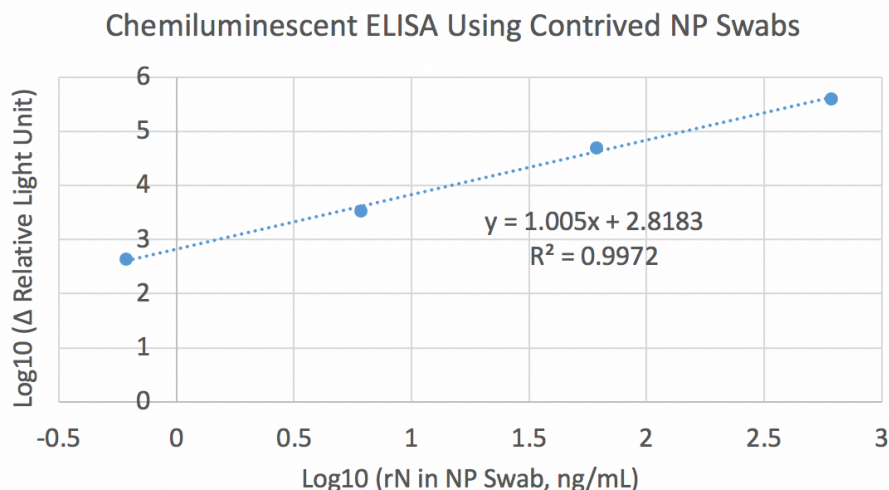


Figure 5. Chemiluminescent ELISA using contrived human nasopharyngeal (NP) swab specimens. Different concentrations of recombinant nucleocapsid protein (rN) (Cat# VPN1) were spiked in EUA RT-PCR-confirmed negative human NP swabs and lysed in the Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101). The lysates were coated on microplate wells, and rabbit monoclonal anti-N antibody (Cat# VYN7, 1:10,000) and HRP-conjugated highly cross-adsorbed goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody (Cat# 202, 1:20,000) were used to detect SARS-CoV-2 N protein. ShQ™ ECL substrates (Cat# 707) were used to generate chemiluminescent signals. RLU, relative light unit. Δ RLU = RLU of the well with the primary antibody - RLU of the corresponding well without the primary antibody, everything else being equal.

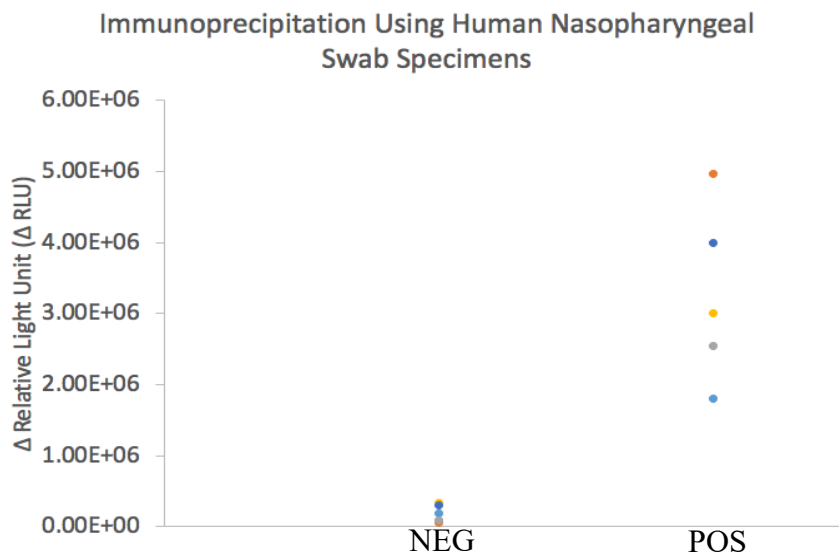


Figure 6. Immunoprecipitation (IP) using human nasopharyngeal swab specimens. Five negative (NEG) and five positive (POS) human nasopharyngeal swab specimens were precleared with the MxBind™ Protein A Magnetic Beads (Cat# VB101) and lysed in GenuIN® IP Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL202). Rabbit monoclonal anti-N antibody (Cat# VYN7, 1:50), pre-coated and crosslinked to MxBind™ Protein A Magnetic Beads (Cat# VB101), was incubated with the precleared nasopharyngeal swab specimen. The bound antigen was released using the Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101). ELISA was performed using rabbit monoclonal anti-N antibody (Cat# VYN7, 1:10,000) and HRP-conjugated highly cross-adsorbed goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody (Cat# 202, 1:20,000) to detect SARS-CoV-2 N protein. RLU, relative light unit. Δ RLU = RLU of the well with the primary antibody - RLU of the corresponding well without the primary antibody, everything else being equal. Note: Each dot represents an individual specimen.

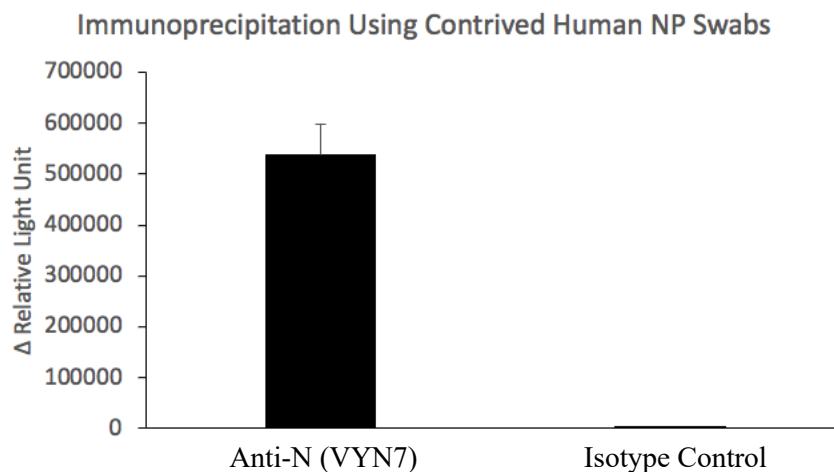


Figure 7. Immunoprecipitation (IP) using contrived human nasopharyngeal (NP) swab specimens. Recombinant N protein (rN, Cat# VPN2, 1 ng) was spiked into 2 mL of MxBind™ Protein A Magnetic Beads (Cat# VB101)-precleared, RT-PCR-confirmed negative human NP swab specimens. Rabbit monoclonal anti-N antibody (Cat# VYN7, 2 μL) was coated and cross-linked to MxBind™ Protein A Magnetic Beads (Cat# VB101), and incubated with the contrived NP swab specimens overnight at 4°C. The beads were washed and lysed in 300 μL of the Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101); the lysates were used for chemiluminescent ELISA with rabbit monoclonal anti-N antibody (Cat# VYN7, 1:10,000). HRP-conjugated highly cross-adsorbed goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody (Cat# 202, 1:20,000) was used to detect SARS-CoV-2 N protein. PiQ™ ECL (Cat# 636) substrates were used to generate chemiluminescent signals. RLU, relative light unit. ΔRLU = RLU of the well with the primary antibody - RLU of the corresponding well without the primary antibody, everything else being equal.

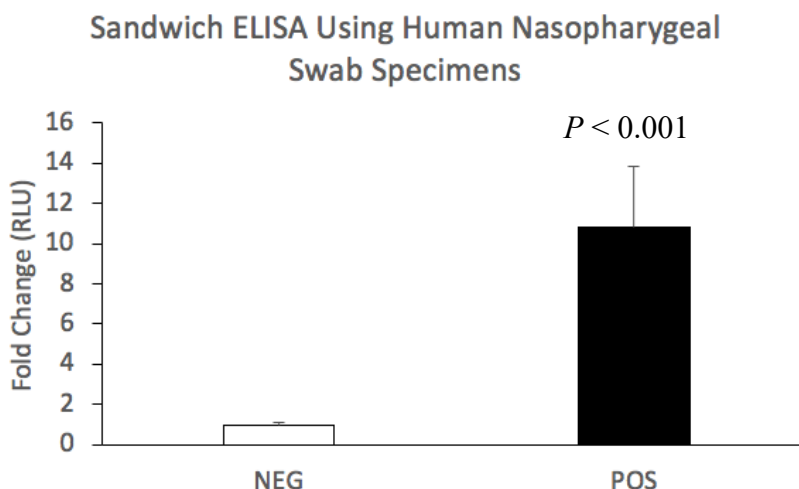


Figure 8. Chemiluminescent sandwich ELISA using human nasopharyngeal swab specimens. Five negative (NEG) and 5 positive (POS) human nasopharyngeal swab specimens were lysed in Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101). Anti-N rabbit monoclonal antibody (VYN6, 1:1,000 in 150 μL) was used to coat the microplate wells. After the binding of the lysed swab specimens, the microwells were incubated with HRP-conjugated rabbit monoclonal anti-N primary antibody (Cat# VYN7H, 1:10,000 dilution). PiQ™ ECL (Cat#639) was used to generate the chemiluminescent signals. RLU, relative light unit.

Table 1. Comparison of four monoclonal antibodies (Cat# VYN7, 5, 4, and 3) in terms of their reactivities with two rN proteins (Cat# VPN1 and 2) and two concentrations (42 and 21 TCID₅₀) of gamma-irradiated SARS-CoV-2 coronaviruses.

Note: rN, 0.125 ng/mL		Anti-N Monoclonal Antibodies			
		VYN7	VYN5	VYN4	VYN3
rN Protein	VPN1	135731	201369	10731	15089
	VPN2	215656	241611	154289	10606
SARS-CoV-2	42 TCID ₅₀	4070095	1955123	790755	35934
	21 TCID ₅₀	1665682	903818	256938	16273

Note:

1. rNs and gamma-irradiated SARS-CoV-2 were lysed in the Viral Lysis Buffer (Cat# VL101) and coated (150 μ L) on microplate wells.
2. Monoclonal anti-N antibodies (1:10,000 dilution) and HRP-conjugated secondary antibodies (1:20,000) were used to detect SARS-CoV-2 N protein.
3. PiQTM ECL (Cat# 636) substrates were used to generate chemiluminescent signals.
4. Signals were measured in delta relative light unit (Δ RLU). Δ RLU = RLU of the well with the primary antibody - RLU of the corresponding well without the primary antibody, everything else being equal.