# COVID-19 Highlight: Running Plasma and CSF Samples on the CodePlex Secretome Solution

The following workflow has been used in generating highly multiplexed population cytokine data and serves as a guideline for running COVID-19 patient plasma and cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) samples using the CodePlex Secretome solution.

#### In this Technical Note we outline:

- Safety precautions
- · Preparation of patient plasma and CSF samples for loading



### Prep, Run, Analyze

#### **▲** Proper Safety Precautions

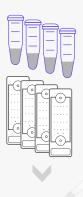
- · A disposable laboratory coat should always be worn when handling COVID19 samples.
  - <sup>n</sup> A secondary coat can be worn for extra precaution. Coat can be worn in the reverse manner as the first.
- An N-95 mask should always be worn when handling COVID19 samples.
- · A face shield or safety goggles should be worn when handling COVID19 samples.
- Disposable sleeves should be worn when handling COVID19 samples.
  - <sup>n</sup> These sleeves should go under the disposable gown/s but above disposable gloves.
  - <sup>n</sup> Sleeves and gloves should be taped together to prevent skin exposure.
- Disposable nitrile gloves should always be worn when handling COVID19 samples.
  - <sup>n</sup> Gloves can be double gloved barring dexterity is not compromised.
- · Remove all disposable PPE and place into larger biohazard container, seal biohazard container.
- · All additional lab safety procedures should be followed according to each lab's requirements dependent on sample type.

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## Preparation of plasma and CSF samples for loading

Note: All steps should be done in a biological safety hood.

## Codeplex workflow for patient plasma and CSF



Thaw CSF samples and CodePlex Chips at room temperature



Pipet loading the CodePlex Chip

TIP: Do not dilute CSF
TIP: Load Chips in a
biosafety cabinet



TIP: Add 100ml household bleach to the waste container



TIP: Dispose of liquid waste according to your lab's biohazard waste disposal protocols.

TIP: Place used CodePlex chips in Red box sharps containers.

TIP: after the run, complete two 8-chip cleaning protocols.





Analyze using IsoSpeak

Collected Plasma and CSF samples are thawed and loaded on the CodePlex Secretome chip. The IsoLight system automates the entire ELISA workflow.

- **1. Thaw vials of CSF.** Allow CSF to thaw and come to a complete liquid form (30-60 minutes) at room temperature.
- **2. Thaw vials of plasma.** Allow plasma to thaw and come to a complete liquid form (30-60 minutes) at room temperature.
- **3. Thaw CodePlex chips.** Allow CodePlex chips to thaw for 30-60 minutes prior to media loading at room temperature.
- **4. Pipet up and down gently.** Place excess sample vials in -80°C freezer
- **5. Load CSF onto CodePlex chip.** CSF IS NOT TO BE DILUTED. Background wells are to be filled with DI water.
- 6. Load plasma onto second CodePlex chip.
- 7. Perform a 1:1 dilution of plasma and 2% BSA/PBS. Mix gently and load on to third CodePlex chip.
- **8. Perform a 1:2 dilution of plasma and 2% BSA/PBS.** Mix gently and load on to fourth CodePlex chip.
- **9. Load all chips onto IsoLight and run experiment.**Load CodePlex reagents prior to insertion of CodePlex chips into the IsoLight. Before starting the run, add 100mL of common undiluted bleach into the IsoLight waste container.
- **10. Dispose of all hazardous materials.** After the run, remove CodePlex chips and place into a sharps biohazard container, seal container and place sharps container into a larger biohazard container.
- **11. Run an 8 chip cleaning script on the IsoLight.** Run a secondary 8 chip cleaning script as precaution. Upon completion of two cleaning runs, remove waste container from IsoLight and top off with common undiluted bleach in a biological safety hood and allow to sit for 2-3 hours.

ALL ADDITIONAL LAB SAFETY PROCEDURES SHOULD BE FOLLOWED ACCORDING TO EACH LAB'S REQUIREMENTS DEPENDENT ON SAMPLE TYPE.

DISPOSE OF WASTE CONTAINER INTO A BIOHAZARD CONTAINER.