

**Table S1:** Mean optic densities for positive and negative controls and their calculated ratios

Plate ID	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Mean OD <sub>pc</sub>	0.799	0.924	0.999	0.888	0.656	1.029	0.888	1.006	0.908	1.456
Mean OD <sub>nc</sub>	0.046	0.052	0.045	0.046	0.052	0.0485	0.048	0.047	0.056	0.047
OD <sub>pc</sub> /OD <sub>nc</sub> ratio	17.549	17.930	22.200	19.516	12.615	21.206	18.489	21.666	16.360	30.968

NB: Mean ODpc were valid when > 0.350 and all ODpc/ODnc were valid when >3.00  
 OD = optic density; pc = Positive control; nc = Negative control