

Preparing and Interpreting Cytotoxicity Data

SOFTMAX PRO

- After 30 minutes in the incubator, read your plates on a plate reader using SoftMax Pro (or equivalent) software.
- If the mean A450 of the control wells on plate is >0.3, the assay is complete. If the mean A450 of the control wells on plate is <0.3, return the plates to the incubator for another 30 minutes, then read again. Continue reading the plates every 25-35 minutes until the mean A450 of the control wells on plate is >0.3.
- You should notice a color change in the wells when the assay is complete.
- Use the software to calculate “Result,” “% Control,” Standard deviation “stddev,” and Coefficient of Variation “CV%.”
- Highlight the “% Control” and “CV%” columns and COPY the contents.

Experiment#1

Plate#1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Endpoint
A	0.000												
B		0.344	0.126	0.257	0.315	0.377	0.426	0.375	0.380	0.369	0.363		Lm1 450
C		0.362	0.131	0.250	0.320	0.341	0.348	0.359	0.360	0.353	0.343		Automatic: Once
D		0.314	0.116	0.230	0.299	0.331	0.339	0.336	0.332	0.343	0.339		Calibrate: On
E		0.357	0.115	0.243	0.311	0.367	0.381	0.382	0.349	0.371	0.367		Column Priority
F		0.308	0.123	0.252	0.319	0.347	0.380	0.354	0.341	0.345	0.350		Plate Last Read:
G		0.329	0.123	0.255	0.320	0.345	0.355	0.361	0.336	0.362	0.381		10:38 AM 3/17/2008
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Wavelength Combination: Lm1
Data Mode: Absorbance
Plate Blank Used Lm1 = 0.227

This is a standard readout using SoftMax Pro.

46-16 Saporin

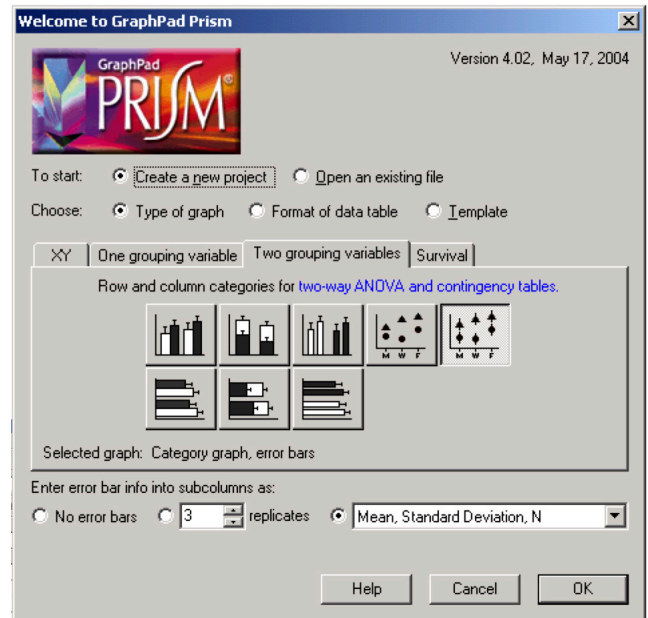
Sample	Wells	Values	R	Result	stddev	%control	CV%	Concentration
Sa01	B3	0.126	Ei	0.122	0.006	35.260	1.7	1000000.000
	C3	0.131						
	D3	0.116						
	E3	0.115						
	F3	0.123						
	G3	0.123						
Sa02	B4	0.257	Ei	0.248	0.010	71.639	2.8	100000.000
	C4	0.250						
	D4	0.230						
	E4	0.243						
	F4	0.252						
	G4	0.255						
Sa03	B5	0.315	Ei	0.314	0.008	90.656	2.4	10000.000
	C5	0.320						
	D5	0.299						
	E5	0.311						
	F5	0.319						

Highlight the “% Control” and “CV%”. Copy.

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Prism GraphPad

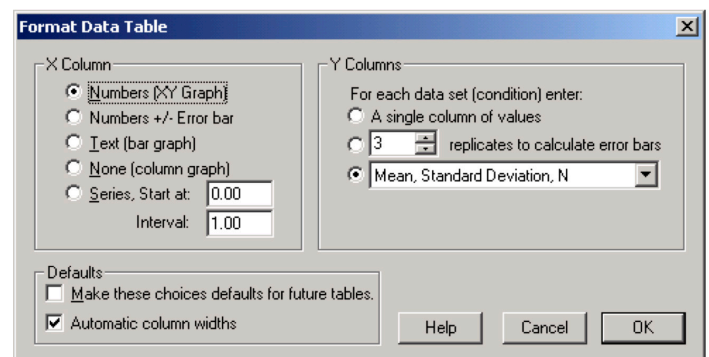
- You can import this data into any spreadsheet/graph analytic software such as Prism GraphPad.
- Open the “File” menu on the toolbar and click on “New Project”.
- Select “Create a new project” and click the “Two grouping variables” folder and select the “Category Graph with error bars” option.
- Have the software enter error bar info into subcolumns as “Mean, Standard Deviation, N.” Click OK.



- PASTE the columns you copied from SoftMax into the “Mean” and “SD” columns.
- The % Control column from SoftMax will be pasted into the Mean column.
- The CV% column from SoftMax will be pasted in the SD column.
- Enter in the Molar concentration corresponding to each point in the “X” axis column.

A				B			C		
46-16 Saporin				21-168 OX7-SAP			64-80 Mab-ZAP + OX7		
X Labels	Mean	SD	N	Mean	SD	N	Mean	SD	N
1 0.000001	35.260	1.7							
2 1.000000e-007	71.539	2.8					27.488	3.9	
3 1.000000e-008	90.656	2.4		15.474	1.2		19.678	2.3	
4 1.000000e-009	101.410	4.9		17.285	1.8		86.809	6.6	
5 1.000000e-010	107.241	9.2		28.543	0.9		103.774	9.2	
6 1.000000e-011	104.239	4.7		65.919	3.0		104.521	6.5	

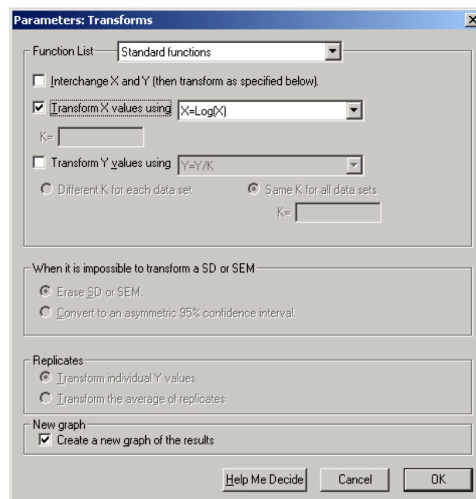
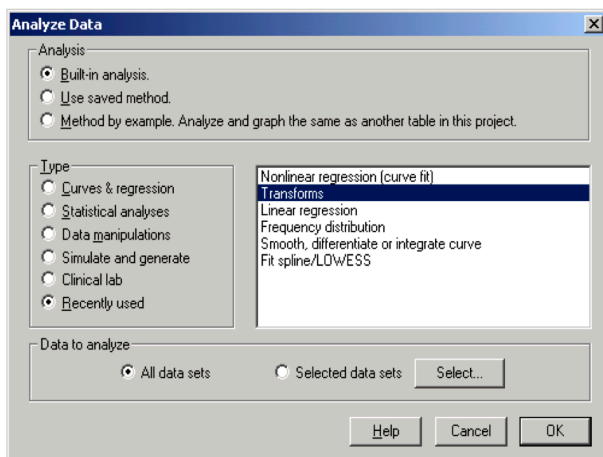
- Open the “Change” menu on the toolbar and click on “Format Data Table.”
- Select the “Numbers (XY Graph)” option for the X column and make sure that “Mean, Standard Deviation, N” is also selected for the Y columns. “Automatic column widths” should be selected as the default. Click OK.



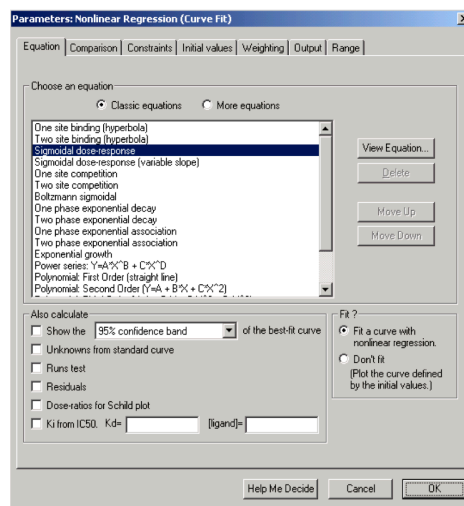
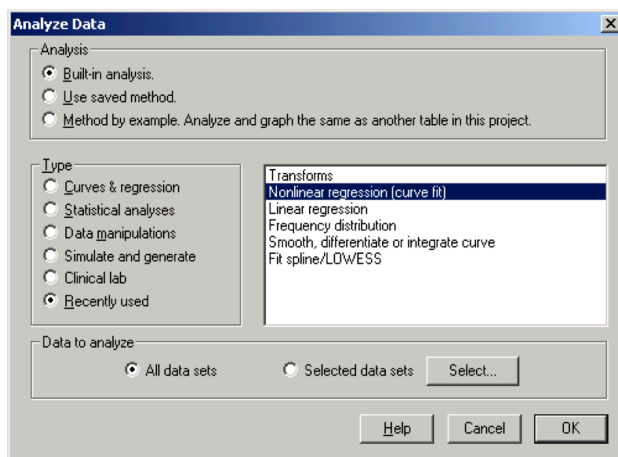
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Prism GraphPad (continued)

- Open the “Analyze” menu from the toolbar. Use “Built-in analysis” and highlight “Transforms” from the list of options and select “All data sets” for data to analyze. Click OK.
- Choose “Standard functions” from function list and select Transform X values using “ $X=\text{Log}(X)$.” Click OK.



- Open the “Analyze” menu again from the toolbar and highlight “Nonlinear regression (curve fit)” from the list of options. Built-in analysis should already be selected as well as all data sets selected for data to analyze. Click OK.
- From the Classic Equation selections, highlight “Sigmoidal dose response.” Select “Fit a curve with nonlinear regression.” Click OK.



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Prism GraphPad (continued)

- After completing all the transformation steps, the software calculates the results. The calculation of major importance is the “EC50” listed on line #6 for each sample.

	A	B	C	
	46-16 Saporin	21-168 OX7-SAP	54-80 Mab-ZAP + OX7	64-95 Mab-ZAP + OX7
	Y	Y	Y	Y
1	Sigmoidal dose-response			
2	Best-fit values			
3	BOTTOM	27.04	16.42	17.08
4	TOP	102.5	102.3	108.0
5	LOGEC50	-6.888	-10.86	-8.676
6	EC50	1.293e-007	1.368e-011	2.109e-009
7	Std. Error			
8	BOTTOM	5.866	1.139	7.702
9	TOP	1.651	0.9190	3.748
10	LOGEC50	0.1268	0.03883	0.1938
11	95% Confidence Intervals			
12	BOTTOM	11.96 to 42.12	13.49 to 19.35	-2.725 to 36.88
13	TOP	98.28 to 106.8	99.98 to 104.7	98.36 to 117.6
14	LOGEC50	-7.214 to -6.562	-10.96 to -10.76	-9.174 to -8.178
15	EC50	6.107e-008 to 2.740e-007	1.087e-011 to 1.722e-011	6.696e-010 to 6.644e-009
16	Goodness of Fit			
17	Degrees of Freedom	5	5	5
18	R ²	0.9825	0.9987	0.9668
19	Absolute Sum of Squares	74.48	14.92	327.5
20	Sy.x	3.860	1.727	8.094

- Click on the “Graphs” folder.
- Click on any of the graph axes. Adjust the parameters for all the axes.
- Click on any point/symbol from one of the lines on the graph. Adjust what color or symbol you want the lines and points to be.

