Supplementary Table 1: We determined the ELISA intra-assay precision in 6 to 8 measurements for five individual samples and the inter-assay precision in 4 to 5 measurements for five individual samples by calculating the standard deviations and the corresponding coefficient of variation.

Supplementary Table 1:

Intra-assay precision					
	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4	Sample 5
Measurements (n)	7	8	8	8	6
Mean (ng/mL)	1492	2428	3894	2951	5284
Standard deviation	98	110	221	200	169
CV (%)	6.6	4.5	5.7	6.8	3.2
Inter-assay precision					
	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 5	Sample 6
Measurements (n)	5	5	5	4	4
Mean (ng/mL)	1576	2209	3976	4978	3488
Standard deviation	96	188	316	315	249
CV (%)	6.1	8.5	7.9	6.3	7.1