

Target:	Enzymes and Inhibitors
Format:	Targeted Venom Discovery Array
Code:	T-VDA^{Enz}

Product Description

Enzymes are incredibly useful tools in a wide range of disciplines and industrial processes. Snake venoms are a rich source of enzymes such as phospholipases (PLA2), snake venom metalloproteinase (SVMP), phosphodiesterases, L-amino-acid oxidase (LAO) and many more. Moreover, invertebrate venoms also often contain enzymes such as phospholipase. Along with useful enzymes, venoms contain many **enzyme inhibitors** of pharmaceutical utility. These targeted arrays contain pure venom fractions from 12, 24, 48 or 96 species **optimised for identification of novel tools**. Each array contains characterised venoms **active in analgesic pathways** from the literature to act as positive controls. The control venoms for T-VDA^{Enz} include phospholipase A2-containing *Naja nigricollis* venom (black-necked spitting cobra)¹; *Deinagkistrodon acutus* (hundred pace pit viper) which contains an **L-amino-acid oxidase enzyme** that **induces apoptosis in HeLa cancer cells**²; and *Crotalus adamanteus* (Eastern diamondback rattlesnake) venom which contains **snake venom metalloproteinases** such as Adamalysin³. Other venom fractions making up the library have been specially selected by our drug discovery scientists to maximise novel hit potential.

- Venoms are supplied lyophilised in Echo[®] qualified acoustic source plates (Labcyte Inc) and are useable on any SBS footprint liquid handling device or by hand.
- 384-well format has 200ng venom fraction per well, suggested dilution 20µl as hit fractions are typically active at 5µg/ml and below.
- 1536-well format also available.

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