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# Announcements

- Final presentations May 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>
  - Room 16-336
  - Start at 1:30 pm sharp
- Plan for Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>
  - Lecture: give feedback, then fill out evaluations
  - Afterward, lab party in 56-614, 12:30-2pm (RSVP)

# ELISA Outcomes

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Possible Explanations</b>
High reading in "blank" samples	* incomplete washes forgot block step
No signal at all (including standards)	• wrong conc. of soap (↑) • wrong $\text{pH}$ of AB • reagents old
Saturated signal for some samples	• too concentrated, repeat dilution series

# ELISA protocol

- Direct ELISA uses labeled primary antibody
- Indirect ELISA – why use a secondary antibody?
  - flexibility (use w/ many 1° Abs, more efficient)  
time/cost
  - amplification
  - but cross-reactivity is more likely
- Sandwich ELISA antibody selection
  - capture – polyclonal detection – monoclonal
- Development process – what/why/how
  - 2° – enzyme (AP) provide substrate p-NPP  
colorimetric rxn.
  - turn on @ desired time
  - bio./gentle conditions
  - amplify signal → dev. time is key