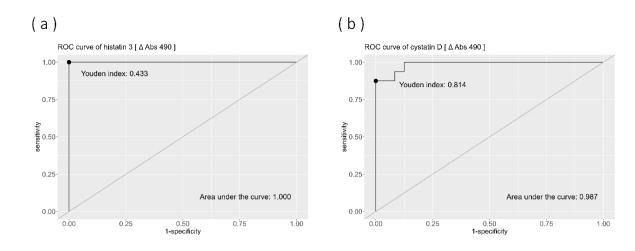
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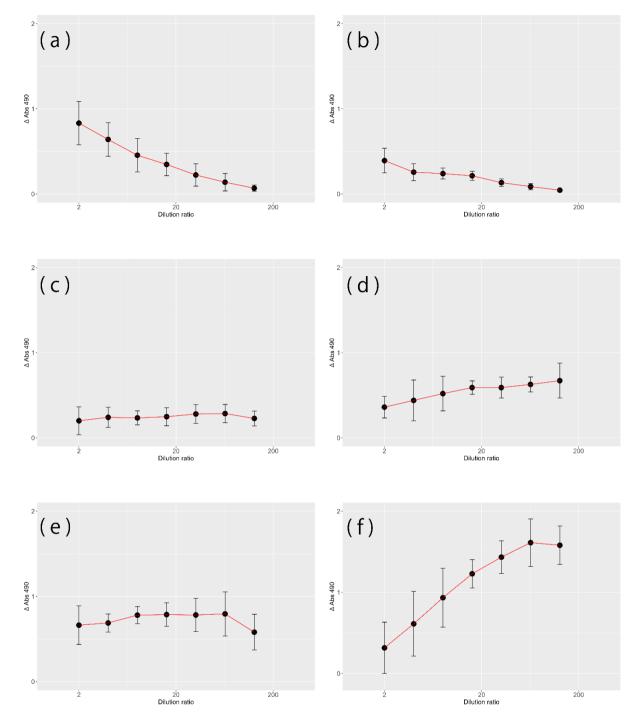
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Supplementary Fig. 1 Receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve analysis of the delta values
from various human body fluids.

ROC curves of the delta values from various human body fluid stain samples using (a) histatin 3 and (b) cystatin D markers are shown with Youden's indices. The x-axis and y-axis indicate the false-positive rate (1 – specificity) and the true positive rate (sensitivity), respectively.



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27 Supplementary Fig. 2 Characteristics of changes in the delta values with a sample dilution series.

Stain samples were examined by indirect ELISA using (a, c, e) histatin 3 and (b, d, f) cystatin D markers. The delta values from 10-fold diluted saliva stain samples (a, b) were decreased in a sample dilution-dependent manner. The delta values from the saliva-blood (c, d) and saliva-vaginal secretions (e, f) mixed stain samples did not decrease depending on the sample dilution. The x-axis indicates the dilution ratio (log scale), and the y-axis indicates the delta absorbance values. Point data are shown as 33 the mean \pm standard deviation (n = 4).

Samples	nª	Number of positive samples				
		Histatin 3		Cystatin D		
		$\Delta \text{Abs490}^{\text{b}} > \text{AT}^{\text{c}} = 0.1$	$\Delta Abs490 > DT^d = 0.3$	Δ Abs490 > AT = 0.1	Δ Abs490 > DT = 0.8	
Saliva (undiluted)	4	4	4	4	4	
Saliva (10-fold diluted)	4	4	4	4	0	
Saliva (100-fold diluted)	4	3	0	1	0	

34 **Supplementary Table 1** Qualitative results of the sensitivity experiments using the two thresholds.

35 ^a n: Number of samples.

36 ^b Δ Abs490: Delta values of absorbance at 490 nm.

[°] AT: Analytical threshold.

38 ^d DT: Discriminative threshold.

Samples	n ^a -	Number of positive samples				
		Histatin 3		Cystatin D		
		$\Delta Abs490^{b} > AT^{c} = 0.1$	$\Delta Abs490 > DT^d = 0.3$	Δ Abs490 > AT = 0.1	Δ Abs490 > DT = 0.8	
Saliva	16	16	16	16	14	
Blood	4	3	0	4	0	
Semen	4	0	0	0	0	
VS ^e	4	0	0	1	0	
Urine	4	0	0	1	0	
Sweat	4	0	0	0	0	
NS ^f	4	0	0	0	0	

39 Supplementary Table 2 Qualitative results of the specificity experiments using the two thresholds.

40 ^a n: Number of samples.

41 ^b Δ Abs490: Delta values of absorbance at 490 nm.

- 42 ° AT: Analytical threshold.
- 43 ^d DT: Discriminative threshold.
- 44 ^e VS: Vaginal secretions.
- 45 ^f NS: Nasal secretions.

Samples	nª	Number of positive samples				
	-	Histatin 3		Cystatin D		
		$\Delta Abs490^{b} > AT^{c} = 0.1$	$\Delta Abs490 > DT^d = 0.3$	$\Delta \text{Abs490} > \text{AT} = 0.1$	Δ Abs490 > DT = 0.8	
Saliva	4	4	4	4	3	
Saliva-Blood	4	4	2	4	2	
Saliva-VS ^e	4	4	4	4	4	

46 **Supplementary Table 3** Qualitative results of the mixture experiments using the two thresholds.

47 ^a n: Number of samples.

48 ^b Δ Abs490: Delta values of absorbance at 490 nm.

49 ° AT: Analytical threshold.

^d DT: Discriminative threshold.

^e VS: Vaginal secretions.