



Instructions for Use

Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) ELISA

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Please use only the valid version of the Instructions for Use provided with the kit.
Verwenden Sie nur die jeweils gültige, im Testkit enthaltene, Gebrauchsanweisung.
Si prega di usare la versione valida delle istruzioni per l'uso a disposizione con il kit.
Por favor, se usa solo la version valida de la metodico técnico incluido aqui en el kit.

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Enzyme Immunoassay for the Quantitative Determination of Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) in Serum

For Research Use Only

Not for use in diagnostic procedures

1 PRINCIPLE OF THE TEST

The PSA ELISA test is based on the principle of a solid phase enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay. The assay system utilizes a goat anti-PSA antibody directed against PSA for solid phase immobilization (on the microtiter wells). A monoclonal anti-PSA antibody conjugated to horseradish peroxidase (HRP) is in the antibody-enzyme conjugate solution. The test sample is allowed to react first with the immobilized goat antibody at room temperature for 60 minutes. The wells are washed to remove any unbound antigen. The monoclonal anti-PSA-HRP conjugate is then added and allowed to react with the immobilized antigen for 60 minutes at room temperature resulting in the PSA molecules being sandwiched between the solid phase and enzyme-linked antibodies. The wells are washed with water to remove unbound-labeled antibodies. A solution of TMB Reagent is added and incubated at room temperature for 20 minutes, resulting in the development of a blue color. The color development is stopped with the addition of Stop Solution changing the color to yellow. The concentration of PSA is directly proportional to the color intensity of the test sample. Absorbance is measured spectrophotometrically at 450 nm.

2 REAGENTS

Materials provided with the kits:

- Goat anti-PSA coated microtiter plate with 96 wells
- Zero Buffer, 7 mL
- Reference standard containing 0, 2, 4, 15, 60, and 120 ng/mL PSA, 1 mL each, ready to use.
- Enzyme Conjugate Reagent, 12 mL
- TMB Reagent (one step), 11 mL
- Stop Solution (1N HCl), 11 mL

3 STORAGE OF TEST KIT AND INSTRUMENTATION

Unopened test kits should be stored at 2 °C - 8 °C upon receipt and the microtiter plate should be kept in a sealed bag with desiccants to minimize exposure to damp air. Opened test kits will remain stable until the expiration date shown, provided it is stored as described above.

A microtiter plate reader with a bandwidth of 10 nm or less and an optical density range of 0 - 2 OD or greater at 450 nm wavelength is acceptable for use in absorbance measurement.

4 REAGENT PREPARATION

All reagents should be brought to room temperature (18 °C - 25 °C) before use.

5 ASSAY PROCEDURE

1. Secure the desired number of coated wells in the holder.
2. Dispense 50 μ L of standards, specimens, and controls into appropriate wells.
3. Dispense 50 μ L of Zero Buffer into each well.
4. Thoroughly mix for 30 seconds. It is very important to have a complete mixing in this setup.
5. Incubate at room temperature (18 °C - 25 °C) for 60 minutes.
6. Remove the incubation mixture by emptying plate contents into a waste container.
7. Rinse and empty the microtiter wells 5 times with **deionized water.** (**Please do not use tap water.**)
8. Strike the wells sharply onto absorbent paper or paper towels to remove all residual water droplets.
9. Dispense 100 μ L of Enzyme Conjugate Reagent into each well. Gently mix for 10 seconds.
10. Incubate at room temperature (18 °C - 25 °C) for 60 minutes.
11. Remove the incubation mixture by emptying plate contents into a waste container.
12. Rinse and empty the microtiter wells 5 times with **deionized water.** (**Please do not use tap water.**)
13. Strike the wells sharply onto absorbent paper to remove residual water droplets.
14. Dispense 100 μ L of TMB Reagent into each well. Gently mix for 10 seconds.
15. Incubate at room temperature for 20 minutes.
16. Stop the reaction by adding 100 μ L of Stop Solution to each well.
17. Gently mix for 30 seconds.
It is important to make sure that all the blue color changes to yellow color completely.
18. Using a microtiter plate reader, read the optical density at 450 nm **within 15 minutes.**

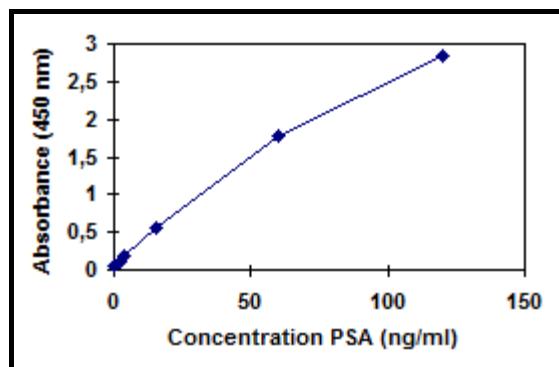
6 CALCULATION OF RESULTS

1. Calculate the average absorbance values (A_{450}) for each set of reference standards, control, and samples.
2. Construct a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance obtained for each reference standard against its concentration in ng/ml on linear graph paper, with absorbance on the vertical (y) axis and concentration on the horizontal (x) axis.
3. Using the mean absorbance value for each sample, determine the corresponding concentration of PSA in ng/mL from the standard curve.

Example of Standard Curve

Results of a typical standard run with optical density readings at 450 nm shown in the Y axis against PSA concentrations shown in the X axis. This standard curve is for the purpose of illustration only, and should not be used to calculate unknowns. Each user should obtain his or her own data and standard curve.

PSA (ng/mL)	Absorbance (450 nm)
0	0.066
2	0.119
4	0.184
15	0.545
60	1.777
120	2.840



SYMBOLS USED

Symbol	English	Deutsch	Italiano	Español	Français
	European Conformity	CE-Konformitäts-kennzeichnung	Conformità europea	Conformidad europea	Conformité normes européennes
	Consult instructions for use *	Gebrauchsanweisung beachten	Consultare le istruzioni per l'uso	Consulte las instrucciones de uso	Consulter les instructions d'utilisation
	<i>In vitro</i> diagnostic medical device *	<i>In-vitro-Diagnostikum</i> *	Dispositivo medico-diagnóstico in vitro	Producto sanitario para diagnóstico In vitro	Dispositif médical de diagnostic in vitro
	Catalogue number *	Artikelnummer *	Numero di Catalogo	Número de catálogo	Référence de catalogue
	Batch code *	Chargencode *	Codice del lotto	Código de lote	Numéro de lot
	Contains sufficient for <n> tests *	Ausreichend für <n> Prüfungen	Contenuto sufficiente per "n" saggi	Contenido suficiente para <n> ensayos	Contenu suffisant pour "n" tests
	Temperature limit *	Temperaturbegrenzung *	Temperatura di conservazione	Temperatura de conservación	Température de conservation
	Use-by date *	Verwendbar bis *	Utilizzare prima del	Estable hasta	Utiliser jusque
	Manufacturer *	Hersteller *	Fabbricante	Fabricante	Fabricant
	Caution *	Achtung *			
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