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Instructions for use
Phosphoethanolamine ELISA

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IS I-3500R



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1. Intended use and principle of the test

This Enzyme Immunoassay is intended for the quantitative determination of phosphoethanolamine in plasma samples.

After extraction and derivatization Phosphoethanolamine is quantitatively determined by ELISA.

The competitive ELISA uses the microtiter plate format. The antigen is bound to the solid phase of the microtiter plate. The processed standards, controls and samples and the solid phase bound analyte compete for a fixed number of antiserum binding sites. When the system is in equilibrium, free antigen and free antigen-antiserum complexes are removed by washing. The antibody bound to the solid phase is detected by an anti-rabbit IgG-peroxidase conjugate using TMB as a substrate. The reaction is monitored at 450 nm.

Quantification of unknown samples is achieved by comparing their absorbance with a reference curve prepared with known standards.

2. Procedural cautions, guidelines, warnings and limitations

2.1 Procedural cautions, guidelines and warnings

- (1) This kit is intended for professional use only. Users should have a thorough understanding of this protocol for the successful use of this kit. Only the test instruction provided with the kit is valid and has to be used to run the assay. Reliable performance will only be attained by strict and careful adherence to the instructions provided.
- (2) This assay was validated for certain types of samples as indicated in *Intended Use* (please refer to Chapter 1). Any off-label use of this kit is in the responsibility of the user and the manufacturer cannot be held liable.
- (3) The principles of Good Laboratory Practice (GLP) have to be followed.
- (4) In order to reduce exposure to potentially harmful substances, wear lab coats, disposable protective gloves and protective glasses where necessary.
- (5) All kit reagents and specimens should be brought to room temperature and mixed gently but thoroughly before use. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing of reagents and specimens.
- (6) For dilution or reconstitution purposes, use deionized, distilled or ultra-pure water.
- (7) The microplate contains snap-off strips. Unused wells must be stored at 2 °C to 8 °C in the sealed foil pouch with desiccant and used in the frame provided.
- (8) Duplicate determination of samples is highly recommended to be able to identify potential pipetting errors.
- (9) Once the test has been started, all steps should be completed without interruption. Make sure that the required reagents, materials and devices are prepared prepared and ready.
- (10) Incubation times do influence the results. All wells should be handled in the same order and time intervals.
- (11) To avoid cross-contamination of reagents, use new disposable pipette tips for dispensing each reagent, sample, standard and control.
- (12) A standard curve must be established for each run.
- (13) The controls should be included in each run and fall within established confidence limits. The confidence limits are listed in the QC-Report.
- (14) Do not mix kit components with different lot numbers within a test and do not use reagents beyond expiry date as shown on the kit labels.
- (15) Avoid contact with Stop Solution containing 0.25 M H₂SO₄. It may cause skin irritation and burns. In case of contact with eyes or skin, rinse off immediately with water.
- (16) TMB substrate has an irritant effect on skin and mucosa. In case of possible contact, wash eyes thoroughly with water and wash skin with soap and water. Wash contaminated objects before reusing them.
- (17) For information on hazardous substances included in the kit please refer to Safety Data Sheet (SDS). The Safety Data Sheet for this product is made available directly on the website of the manufacturer or upon request.
- (18) The expected reference values reported in this test instruction are indicative only. It is recommended that each laboratory establishes its own reference intervals.
- (19) The results obtained with this test kit should not be taken as the sole reason for any therapeutic consequence but have to be correlated to other diagnostic tests and clinical observations.
- (20) Kit reagents must be regarded as hazardous waste and disposed of according to national regulations.

2.2 Limitations

Any inappropriate handling of samples or modification of this test might influence the results.

Samples containing precipitates or fibrin strands or which are haemolytic or lipemic might cause inaccurate results.

3. Storage and stability

- Store unopened reagents at 2–8 °C until the expiration date.
- Opened reagents remain stable for 1 month at 2–8 °C.
- Once the resealable pouch has been opened, close tightly with desiccant.

4. Materials

4.1 Contents of the kit

BA D-0090 **FOILS** **Adhesive Foil** - Ready to use

Contents: Adhesive Foils in a resealable pouch

Volume: 1 x 4 foils

IS I-0324 **REAC-PLATE** **Reaction Plate** - Ready to use

Contents: 1 x 96 well plate, empty in a resealable pouch

BA E-0030 **WASH-CONC 50x** **Wash Buffer Concentrate** - Concentrated 50x

Contents: Buffer with a non-ionic detergent and physiological pH

Volume: 1 x 20 mL/vial, light purple cap

BA E-0040 **CONJUGATE** **Enzyme Conjugate** - Ready to use

Contents: Goat anti-rabbit immunoglobulins conjugated with peroxidase

Volume: 1 x 12 mL/vial, red cap

BA E-0055 **SUBSTRATE** **Substrate** - Ready to use

Contents: Chromogenic substrate containing tetramethylbenzidine, substrate buffer and hydrogen peroxide

Volume: 1 x 12 mL/black vial, black cap

BA E-0080 **STOP-SOLN** **Stop Solution** - Ready to use

Contents: 0.25 M sulfuric acid

Volume: 1 x 12 mL/vial, light grey cap

Hazards

identification:



H290 May be corrosive to metals.

IS I-3531 **IT1 PEA** **Phosphoethanolamine Microtiter Strips** - Ready to use

Contents: 1 x 96 well (12x8) antigen precoated microwell plate in a resealable pouch with desiccant

IS I-3510 **AS PEA** **Phosphoethanolamine Antiserum** - Ready to use

Contents: Rabbit anti-phosphoethanolamine antibody, blue coloured

Volume: 1 x 6 mL/vial, blue cap

BA E-2413 **ASSAY-BUFF** **Assay Buffer** - Ready to use

Contents: Buffer with alkaline pH

Volume: 1 x 20 mL/vial, yellow cap

Hazards

identification:



GHS08 GHS07

Hazardous
ingredients:

Boric acid

BA E-2428 **EQUA-REAG** **Equalizing Reagent** - Lyophilized

Contents: Lyophilized protein

Volume: 1 vial, brown cap

BA E-2446 **D-REAGENT** **D-Reagent** - Ready to use

Contents: Crosslinking agent in dimethylsulfoxide

Volume: 1 x 3 mL/vial, white cap

Hazards
identification

GSH07

Hazardous
ingredients: Glutaraldehyde**BA E-2458** **Q-BUFFER** **Q-Buffer** - Ready to use

Volume: 1 x 20 mL/vial, white cap

IS I-3528 **DILUENT 1** **Diluent 1** - Ready to use

Volume: 1 x 14 mL/vial, white cap

IS I-3541 **DILUENT 2** **Diluent 2** - Ready to use

Volume: 1 x 20 mL/vial, blue cap

BA E-2721 **PREC-REAG** **Precipitating Reagent** - Ready to use

Contents: Acidic reagent for precipitation of plasma/serum proteins, red coloured

Volume: 1 x 4 mL/vial, white cap

Hazards
identification

GHS05

Hazardous
ingredients: 5-sulphosalicylic acid dihydrate**Standards and Controls** - Ready to use

Cat. no.	Component	Colour/Cap	Concentration ng/mL	Concentration μmol/L	Volume/ Vial
IS I-3501	STANDARD A	white	0	0	4 mL
IS I-3502	STANDARD B	yellow	70	0.5	4 mL
IS I-3503	STANDARD C	orange	141	1	4 mL
IS I-3504	STANDARD D	blue	282	2	4 mL
IS I-3505	STANDARD E	grey	564	4	4 mL
IS I-3506	STANDARD F	black	1128	8	4 mL
IS I-3551	CONTROL 1	green	Refer to QC-Report for expected value and acceptable range!		4 mL
IS I-3552	CONTROL 2	dark red			4 mL

Conversion: Phosphoethanolamine (ng/mL) x $7,09 \cdot 10^{-3}$ = Phosphoethanolamine (μmol/L)

Contents: Acidic buffer with mercury-free stabilizer, spiked with defined quantity of phosphoethanolamine

4.2 Additional materials and equipment required but not provided in the kit

- Calibrated precision pipettes to dispense volumes between 10 – 300 μL; 12.5 mL
- Polystyrene or polypropylene tubes (0.5 mL) and suitable rack
- Microtiter plate washing device (manual, semi-automated or automated)
- ELISA reader capable of reading absorbance at 450 nm and if possible 620 - 650 nm
- Microtiter plate shaker (shaking amplitude 3 mm; approx. 600 rpm)
- Absorbent material (paper towel)
- Water (deionized, distilled or ultra-pure)
- Vortex mixer

5. Sample collection and storage

EDTA Plasma

Whole blood should be collected by venipuncture into centrifuge tubes containing EDTA as anti-coagulant (Monovette™ or Vacuette™ for plasma) and centrifuged according to manufacturer's instructions at room temperature immediately after collection.

Haemolytic and especially lipemic samples should not be used for the assay.

Storage: up to 48 hours at 2 - 8 °C, for longer period (up to 6 months) at -20 °C.

Repeated freezing and thawing should be avoided.

6. Test procedure

Allow all reagents and samples to reach room temperature and mix thoroughly by gentle inversion before use. Duplicate determinations are recommended. It is recommended to number the strips of the microwell plate before usage to avoid any mix-up.

The binding of the antisera and of the enzyme conjugate and the activity of the enzyme are temperature dependent, and the absorbance values may vary if a thermostat is not used. The higher the temperature, the higher the extinction values will be. Corresponding variations also apply to the incubation times. The optimal temperature during the Enzyme Immunoassay is between 20 – 25 °C.

6.1 Preparation of reagents

Wash Buffer

Dilute the 20 mL Wash Buffer Concentrate with water (deionized, distilled or ultra-pure) to a final volume of 1000 mL.

Storage: 1 month at 2 – 8 °C

Equalizing Reagent

Reconstitute the Equalizing Reagent with **12.5 mL of Assay Buffer**.

Reconstituted Equalizing Reagent which is not used immediately has to be stored in aliquots for max 1 month at -20 °C and may be thawed only once.

D-Reagent

The D-Reagent has a freezing point of 18.5 °C. It must be ensured that the D-Reagent has reached room temperature and forms a homogeneous, crystal-free solution.

Phosphoethanolamine Microtiter Strips

In rare cases residues of the blocking and stabilizing reagent can be seen in the wells as small, white dots or lines. These residues do not influence the quality of the product.

6.2 Precipitation

1.	Pipette 50 µL of the standards, controls and samples into the respective tubes .
2.	Add 50 µL of Diluent 1 to the standards and controls, and 50 µL of Diluent 2 to the samples.
3.	Add 10 µL Precipitating Reagent to all tubes.
4.	Mix the tubes thoroughly (vortex) and centrifuge for 15 minutes at 3000 x g .
5.	Take 25 µL of the clear supernatant for the derivatization .

6.3 Derivatization

1.	Pipette 25 µL of the precipitated standards, controls and samples into the appropriate wells of the Reaction Plate .
2.	Pipette 50 µL of the Equalizing Reagent into all wells.
3.	Pipette 10 µL of the D-Reagent into all wells.
4.	Cover plate with Adhesive Foil and incubate for 2 h at RT (20 – 25 °C) on a shaker (approx. 500 rpm).
5.	Pipette 100 µL of the Q-Buffer into all wells.
6.	Incubate for 15 min at RT (20 – 25 °C) on a shaker (approx. 500 rpm).
7.	Use 160 µL for the ELISA!

6.4 Phosphoethanolamine ELISA

1.	Pipette 160 µL of the prepared standards, controls and samples into the appropriate wells of the Phosphoethanolamine Microtiter Strips .
2.	Pipette 25 µL of the Phosphoethanolamine Antiserum into all wells and mix briefly.
3.	Cover plate with Adhesive Foil and incubate for 15 - 20 h (overnight) at 2 – 8 °C .
4.	Remove the foil. Discard or aspirate the content of the wells. Wash the plate 4 x by adding 300 µL of Wash Buffer, discarding the content and blotting dry each time by tapping the inverted plate on absorbent material.
5.	Pipette 100 µL of the Enzyme Conjugate into all wells.
6.	Incubate for 30 min at RT (20 – 25 °C) on a shaker (approx. 500 rpm).
7.	Discard or aspirate the content of the wells. Wash the plate 4 x by adding 300 µL of Wash Buffer, discarding the content and blotting dry each time by tapping the inverted plate on absorbent material.
8.	Pipette 100 µL of the Substrate into all wells and incubate for 20 - 30 min at RT (20 – 25 °C) on a shaker (approx. 500 rpm). Avoid exposure to direct sunlight!
9.	Add 100 µL of the Stop Solution to each well and shake the microtiter plate to ensure a homogeneous distribution of the solution.
10.	Read the absorbance of the solution in the wells within 10 minutes, using a microplate reader set to 450 nm (if available a reference wavelength between 620 nm and 650 nm is recommended).

7. Calculation of results

Measuring range	Phosphoethanolamine
	50.6 – 1 128.4 ng/mL

The calibration curve is obtained by plotting the absorbance readings (calculate the mean absorbance) of the standards (linear, y-axis) against the corresponding standard concentrations (logarithmic, x-axis). Use non-linear regression for curve fitting (e.g. spline, 4-parameter, akima).

This assay is a competitive assay. This means: OD values decrease with increasing concentrations of the analyte. OD-values found below the standard curve correspond to high concentrations of the analyte in the sample.

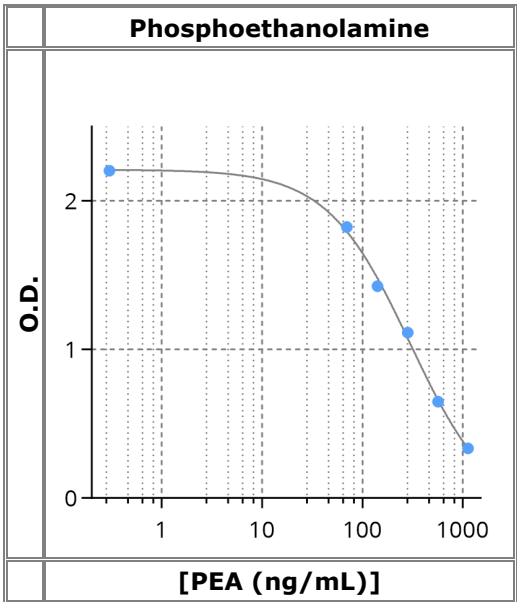
The concentrations of the samples and controls can be read directly from the standard curve.

7.1 Quality control

The confidence limits of the kit controls are indicated on the QC-Report.

7.2 Typical standard curve

Example, do not use for calculation!



8. Assay characteristics

Analytical Sensitivity (Limit of Detection)	Phosphoethanolamine
	24 ng/mL

Analytical Specificity (Cross Reactivity)	Substance	Cross Reactivity (%)
	Phosphoethanolamine	100
	Phosphoserine	<0.1
	1,2-Dimyristoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphoethanolamine	<0.1










Intra-Assay Precision	Plasma	Mean (ng/mL)	SD (ng/mL)	CV (%)
	1 (n = 12)	379.4	26.2	7.4
	2 (n = 12)	368.1	12.7	3.5
	3 (n = 12)	516.2	29.6	5.7

Linearity	Plasma (Serial dilution up to 1:64)	Range Linearity (%)	Mean Linearity (%)
	1	88 – 96	91
	2	84 – 94	88
	3	79 – 101	90

Recovery	Plasma	Range Recovery (%)	Mean Recovery (%)
	1	100 – 101	100
	2	93 – 98	95
	3	97 – 101	99

For updated literature or any other information please contact your local supplier.

Symbols:

	Storage temperature		Manufacturer		Contains sufficient for <n> tests
	Expiry date		Batch code		For research use only!
	Consult instructions for use		Content		
	Caution		Catalogue number		