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**TAS - ASO**

Quantitative turbidimetric latex assay for the measurement of antibodies antistreptolysin (ASO) in human serum

REF		REAGENTI	
101336150H	Content : 50 ml Manual : 50 test	R1:1x40 mL R2:1x10 mL	

**Test AUTOMATION**

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**1.0 CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE(3-5)**

ASO is a group of specific antibodies developed against an exoenzyme produced by  $\beta$ -hemolytic Streptococci of groups A, C and G. Measuring the ASO antibodies are useful for the diagnostic of rheumatoid fever, acute glomerulonephritis, bacterial endocarditis and streptococcal infections. Rheumatic fever is an inflammatory disease affecting connective tissue from several parts of human body as skin, heart, joints etc... and acute glomerulonephritis is a renal infection that affects mainly to renal glomerulus.

**2.0 METHOD PRINCIPLE**

The latex particles coated with streptolysin O (SLO) are agglutinated when they react with samples that containing specific antibodies antistreptolysin O (ASO). The latex particles agglutination is proportional to the concentration of the ASO in the sample and can be measured by turbidimetry (1).

**3.0 SAMPLES**

Fresh serum. Stable for 7 days at 2-8°C or 3 months at -20°C. Samples with presence of fibrin should be centrifuged before testing. Hemolyzed or contaminated samples are not suitable for testing.

**4.0 REFERENCE VALUES**

Adults	up to 200 IU/mL
Children (< 2 years)	up to 150 IU/mL
Children (school age)	up to 250 IU/mL

It is recommended that each laboratory establishes its own reference range.

**5.0 REAGENTS**

Reagent 1-Diluent Tris buffer 20 mmol/L, pH 8.2.

Reagent 2-Latex Latex particles coated with streptolysin O, pH 10.0.

**6.0 PREPARATION OF THE REAGENTS**

Working reagent (only for manual method)

Swirl the latex vial before use. Mix Latex and Diluent in a 1:4 ratio (i.e. 2 mL R2 + 8 mL R1) prior to use.

**6.1 STORAGE AND STABILITY**

The reagents will remain stable until the expiration date printed on the label, when stored tightly closed at 2-8°C and contaminations are prevented during their use. Do not use the reagents after the expiration date.

Working reagent is stable during 20 days at 2-8 °C. Shake gently the vial before use. Reagent deterioration: presence of particles and turbidity.

**7.0 PRECAUTIONS IN USE**

The reagents contain inactive components such as preservatives (Sodium azide or others), surfactants etc. The total concentration of these components is lower than the limits reported by 67/548/ECC and 88/379/EEC directives about classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances. However, the reagents should be handled with caution, avoiding swallowing and contact with skin, eyes and mucous membranes. The reagents from human donors have given negative results to anti-HIV 1/2, HBsAg and anti-HCV. It is recommended to handle with caution. The use of the laboratory reagents according to good laboratory practice is recommended. (9)

**8.0 MATERIAL NEEDED BUT NOT PROVIDED WITH THE KIT**

- Automatic pipette to measure reagent and sample, Thermostatic bath at 37 °C, Spectrophotometer or photometer thermostable at 37 °C capable to read 540 ± 20 nm, Analysis cuvettes (optical path = 1 cm), - NaCl (9 g/L) solution, Calibrator, Plasma protein control Normal - Pathological .

**9.0 PROCEDURE MANUAL**

1. Prewarm the reagent and the photometer (cuvette holder) to 37 °C.
2. Using distilled water zero the instrument at 540 nm.
3. Pipette into a cuvette:

Sample / Calibrator	10 $\mu$ L
Working Reagent	1.0 mL

4. Mix well and insert the cuvette into the photometer. Record the absorbance (A1) immediately and after 2 minutes (A2) of the sample or calibrator addition.

**10.1 PROCEDURE AUTOMATION (Hitachi 717)**

TEST	(....)
TEST NAME	ASO
2: CHEMISTRY PARAMETERS	
TEST	(....)
ASSAY CODE	3-23-35
SAMPLE VOLUME ( $\mu$ L)	3-0
R1 VOLUME	200-100-0
R2 VOLUME	50-20-0
WAVELENGTH	0-546
CALIB.METHOD	1-0-0
STD1 CONC - RACK POS.	0.0-1
STD2 CONC. - RACK POS.	(...)-2
UNIT	UI/ml
SD LIMIT	0.5
DUPLICATE LIMIT	300
SENSITIVITY LIMIT	0
ABS LIMIT	6000-0
PROZONE LIMIT	0-0
EXPECTED VALUES	0-200
PANIC VALUE	(...)-(....)
INSTRUMENT FACTOR	1.00
4: CHANNEL ASSIGNEMENT	
PHASE	(....)
TEST1 (...)	(....)

**10.0 RESULT CALCULATION**

$$\frac{(A_2 - A_1)_{\text{campione}}}{(A_2 - A_1)_{\text{calibratore}}} \times \text{CAL conc.} = \text{IU/mL ASO}$$

**11.0 QUALITY CONTROLS**

To ensure adequate quality control (QC), each run should include a set of controls (normal and abnormal) with assayed values handled as unknowns.

**12.0 ANALYTICAL PERFORMANCE**

**Linearity** The method is linear up to 800 IU/mL, under the described assay conditions. Samples with higher concentrations should be diluted 1/5 with NaCl 9 g/L and retested again.

**Detection limit** Values less than 12 IU/mL give non-reproducible results.

**Analytical sensitivity.** 0.8 mA/IU ASO/mL

**Prozone effect** Prozone effect is not observed up to 4000 IU/mL.

**12.5 Precision**

	Media (mg/L)	CV (%)
Intra-serie	161.7	5.2
N = 10	411.3	4.3
	593	1.8
Inter-serie	161.7	4.6
N = 10	411.3	4.3
	593	3.7

**Accuracy.** Results obtained with this reagent did not show systematic differences when compared with commercial reagents of similar characteristics. Details of comparison are available on request.

**Interferences.** Bilirubin (40 mg/dL), hemoglobin (12 g/L), lipemia (10 g/L) and rheumatoid factors (800 IU/mL), do not interfere. Other substances may interfere.

**NOTES**

1. This method may be used with different instruments. Any application to an instrument should be validated to demonstrate that results meet the performance characteristics of the method. It is recommended to validate periodically the instrument. Contact to the distributor for any question on the application method.

2. The linearity limit depends on the sample/reagent ratio, as well as the analyzer used. It will be higher by decreasing the sample volume, although the sensitivity of the test will be proportionally decreased.

3. Clinical diagnosis should not be made on findings of a single test result, but should integrate both clinical and laboratory data.

**14.0 Waste Management**

Please refer to local legal requirement.

**15.0 REFERENCES**

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**16.0 LEGENDA SIMBOLI - DIRETTIVA 98/79/CE**

	Attenzione, consultare le istruzioni per l'uso		N° determinazioni per kit		Fabbricante
	Solo per uso diagnostico		Usare entro		Non riutilizzare
	Conservare a 2-30°C		Numero del lotto		Codice #

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