

R1: 1x18,5 mL • **REF** A R3330000047  
R2: 1x3,6 mL



**SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION OF THE TEST**

Lipoprotein (a) is a human serum protein whose structure is close to that of LDL. Its density lies between those of LDL and HDL.

The Lipoprotein (a) concentration in blood varies from almost undetectable levels to more than 100 mg/dL.

The wide differences in LP(a) levels are largely due to hereditary factors and cannot be controlled by dietary or lifestyle changes.

The presence of high Lipoprotein (a) levels in serum is a significant marker of increased risk for atherosclerosis and coronary heart disease.

Epidemiological studies have shown, that people with normal serum cholesterol and a serum Lipoprotein (a) level over 30 mg/dL have a double risk of coronary heart disease. The risk is 8 times higher when LDL and Lipoprotein (a) levels are simultaneously elevated.

**PRINCIPLE OF THE TEST**

Measurement of antigen-antibody reaction by the end-point method.

**Lipoprotein (A) Reagent Kit**

Code R3330000049

Reagent 1 (R1) - Buffer - 1 x 18,5 mL/vial

Reagent 2 (R2) - Latex - 1 x 3.6 mL/vial

Each vial is ready to use and contains:

Reagent 1:	Conc.	U.M.
Sodium chloride	9	g/L
Detergent	0.1	%
Sodium azide	0.95	g/L
Reagent 2:	Conc.	U.M.
Glycine buffer (pH 7.3)	/	/
Rabbit anti human LP (a) antibody sensitized latex	0.5	%
Sodium azide	0,95	g/L

**Reagent Preparation:**

Liquids reagents ready for use.

**Storage and Stability:**

If stored at 2 - 8°C avoiding direct light, the reactants remain stable until the expiration date printed on the label.

Stability in the instrument is at least 4 weeks if contamination is avoided. Do not freeze.

Do not freeze the reagents.

**EQUIPMENT / ACCESSORIES REQUIRED AND NOT SUPPLIED**

General laboratory equipment

Saline (9 g/L)

Calibrators and/or Control

(Pooled human serum, liquid and stabilized. Contains 0.95 g/L sodium azide. Value is stated in the insert)

**PRECAUTIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

For *in vitro* diagnostic use.

Only experienced laboratory personnel should use this test and handling should be in agreement with Good Laboratory Practice (GLP).

Reagents from different lots must not be interchanged.

**Safety Precautions**

- Each donor unit used in the preparation of the reagents, standards and controls was found to be negative for the presence of HIV1 and HIV2 antibodies, as well as for the hepatitis B surface antigen and anti-hepatitis C antibodies, using a method approved by the FDA
- Do not pipet by mouth.
- Do not smoke, eat or apply cosmetics in areas in which patients' samples or kit reagents are handled.
- Cuts, abrasions, and other skin lesions should be properly protected with an appropriate waterproof dressing.
- Take care to avoid self-inoculation, splashing of mucous membranes or generation of aerosols.
- Laboratory gloves should be worn while handling patients' samples or disposing of solid or liquid wastes.
- In addition to the eventual risk indications regarding the active components, the reagents contain inactive components such as preservatives (e.g. sodium azide or others) and detergents. The total concentrations of these components is lower than the limits reported by the current directive and following modification and amendments. However, it is recommended to handle reagents carefully, to avoid ingestion and contact with eyes, skin and mucous membranes and to use laboratory reagents according to good laboratory practice.
- All human samples must be handled and disposed of as potentially infectious materials.
- For information about safe handling, read carefully the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).

**Disposal of Reagents**

Disposal of reagents must be performed in accordance with the EC regulations regarding waste, or the local national or regional legislation.

**SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND STORAGE**

Use fresh serum.

If the test can not be carried out on the same day, the serum may be stored at 2 - 8°C for 48 hours.

If stored for a longer period, the sample should be frozen.

**ASSAY PROCEDURE**

Allow reagents to reach working temperature before using.

**Quality control**

It's necessary, each time the kit is used, to perform the quality controls and to check that values obtained are within the acceptance range provided in the insert. Each laboratory should establish its own mean and standard deviation and adopt a quality control program to monitor laboratory testing.

**Automation**

All applications not explicitly approved by I.S.E S.r.l. cannot be guaranteed in terms of performance, and must therefore be established by the operator.

**Procedures**

Sample/Control/Standard: Ready for use.

**Reference curve:** generate a reference curve by diluting the standard high level Ref R1300001701 1:1, 1:2, 1:4, 1:8 in saline 9 g/L. Use saline 9 g/L as zero point.

**EXPECTED VALUES**

Normal Values: 0 - 36 mg/dL

Reference values are considered indicative since each laboratory should establish reference ranges for its own patient population. The analytical results should be evaluated with other information coming from patient's clinical history.

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS**

The performance characteristics for the Lipoprotein (A) reagents were measured on a clinical chemistry analyzer.

Measuring Range: 0 - 80 mg/dL  
Detection Limit: 1.25 mg/dL  
Hook effect: No Risk  
Sensitivity: 0.0147 ABS units/concentration unit

Precision: [%CV]		Low	Medium	High
	Intra-Run	2.58	2.19	2.16
	Inter-Run	3.85	3.70	3.48
Accuracy: [mg/dL]	Control	Assigned	Measured	
	Bio-Rad 1	43 (37 - 49)	40.7	
	Bio-Rad 2	6.6 (5.3 - 7.9)	6.2	

Specificity: Monospecific  
Interferences: No interference for: Apolipoprotein B (200 mg/dL), Plasminogen (200 mg/dL), Haemoglobin (500 mg/dL), Bilirubin (30 mg/dL), Rheumatoid factor (500 IU/mL)  
Limitations: None  
Comparison with ELISA method:  $y = 0.910x - 1.973; r = 0.989$   
Stability at 4°C: at least 3 years after production

**BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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Numero lotto / Lot numer



Consultare la metodica operativa / consult instructions for use



Per uso diagnostico in-vitro / For in-vitro diagnostic use



Prodotto da / manufactured by



Data di scadenza / expiry date



Temp. Di Conservazione / storage temperature

