

Diagnostic Kit for IgM Antibody to Hepatitis A Virus (Immunochromatography)

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Intended Use

The reagent is used to detect the hepatitis A virus IgM Antibody in serum/plasma qualitatively.

Hepatitis A virus (HAV) is a kind of RNA virus, which belongs to the family of Picornavirus. HAV showed a spherical particles shape with 27 nm in diameter, icosahedral symmetry consisted of 32 shell particles, containing linear single-strand RNA. Hepatitis A is a kind of intestinal infectious disease caused by hepatitis A virus (HAV) with a worldwide distribution. Children and adolescents are most likely to be infected, and the peak incidence is in winter and spring. Hepatitis A is the most common type of acute viral hepatitis, mainly spread by fecal-oral route. The incubation period of hepatitis A virus is 15 to 45 days, HAV- IgM antibody can be detected in serum a short time later after infected, continue to rise very rapidly, peaking in about 2 weeks, decreasing gradually, disappear in 8 weeks. While HAV-IgG antibody appear later than IgM and will persistent for a long time. Detection of HAV-IgM antibody can diagnose HAV infection in early stage for its simple, fast, and high specificity. Both the immunological detection and virus nucleic acid detection can be used as the basis for laboratory diagnosis of hepatitis A virus.

Test Principle

The test utilizes antibodies including a recombinant protein rabbit anti-HAV polyclonal antibody and mouse anti-human monoclonal antibody on the nitrocellulose membrane with colloidal gold marked HAV antigen as a mark tracer. The reagent is used to detect the HAV IgM antibody in serum/plasma according to the principle of double antibody sandwich method and gold immunochromatography assay. The sample mixing up HAV antibody –marker move along the membrane to the T line, and form the T line when the sample contains HAV- IgM antibody, which a positive result. Conversely, it is a negative result.

Main Components

Basic components: Sample pad, colloidal gold marked pad, nitrocellulose membrane, absorbent paper and PVC board. Colloidal gold marked pad coated with mixed HAV-Ag, nitrocellulose membrane coated with mouse anti-human monoclonal antibody, control line coated with goat rabbit anti-HAV antibody. The sample dilution is made of 20mM phosphate buffer (PBS).

Storage and Expiry

Store as packaged in the sealed pouch at 4-30°C, avoid hot and sunshine, dry place, valid for 24 months. DO NOT FREEZE. Some protective measures should be taken in hot summer and cold winter to avoid high temperature or freeze-thaw.

Sample Requirement

1. The reagent can be used for the serum, plasma samples.
2. A serum / plasma sample must be collected in a clean and dry container. EDTA, sodium citrate, sodium oxalate, heparin can be used as the anticoagulants. Detect immediately after collecting blood.
3. Samples may be stored at 2-8°C for 1 week prior to assay, and at -20 °C for 2 years. Frozen refrigerated samples should be recovered to room temperature before detection and thoroughly mixed. Repeat freeze and thaw for no more than 3 times. Samples that exhibiting visible precipitates, stink or muddy should not be used.

Test Procedure

Instructions must be read entirely before taking the test. Allow the test device controls to equilibrate to room temperature for 30 minutes (20°C-30°C) prior to testing. Do not open the inner packaging until ready, it must be used in one hour if opened (Humidity: 20%~90%, Temp: 10°C-50°C)

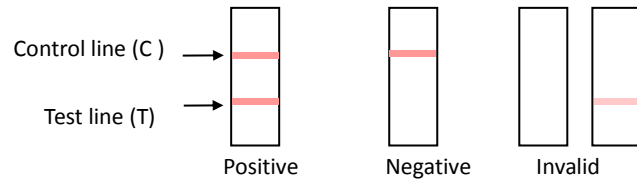
Strip and Cassette:

1. Take off the outer packing, put the strip/cassette onto the desk with the sample adding area of the strip/ the sample window of the cassette up.
2. Serum / Plasma: Drop 1.5µl serum/plasma vertically onto the membrane. The pipette tip of micro pipettor or sample loop is required to touch the membrane gently for an accurate operation when the sample is added.
3. Add about 2 drops of (80µl-100µl) sample buffer onto the sample pad of strip/the buffer hole of cassette. Observe the test results immediately within 15-20 minutes, the result is invalid over 20 minutes.



Result Judgment

- POSITIVE:** Two distinct red lines appear. One line should be in the control region (C) and the other line should be in the test region (T).
- NEGATIVE:** One red line appears in the control region(C). No apparent red or pink line appears in the test region (T).
- INVALID:** No red lines appear or control line fails to appear, indicating that the operator error or reagent failure. Verify the test procedure and repeat the test with a new testing device.



Limitation

1. This reagent is designed for the qualitative screening test. Concentration of HAV- IgM cannot be determined by this qualitative test.
2. The results of the reagent are only for clinical reference, which is not the only basis for clinical diagnosis and treatment. A confirmed diagnosis and treatment should only be made by a physician after all clinical and laboratory findings have been evaluated.
3. Sensitivity can be lowered by the competition between high titers of HAV-IgG and HAV-IgM antibody to the antigen binding site. Results of this kind of samples should be analyzed cautiously.
4. Negative result may occur when detecting short-term infected samples, indicate that the specific antibodies of HAV does not exist or the concentration is below detection limit. If HAV infection is still suspected, the sample should be collected 1-2 weeks later and carry the parallel detection with the first sample.
5. Results of patients who used to receive immunosuppressive therapy or with immune function damage may have a low serology reference value.
6. IgM antibody can be found not only in the primary infection, but also in the secondary infection of HAV.
7. Positive results of the patients who used to receive blood transfusions or other blood products therapy, should be analyzed cautiously.
8. Abnormal results may occur according to operator error or drug use. If HAV infection is still suspected, the sample should be collected later and carry the parallel detection with the first sample.

Performance Characteristics

1. Using internal and national quality control samples:

Negative specificity: The results should all be negative when detecting 10 kits of HAV- IgM negative quality control samples.

Positive specificity: The results should all be positive when detecting 10 kits of IgM positive quality control samples.(Including strong, medium and weak positive samples)

Limit of detection: The results should all be positive when detecting the internal quality control samples or the diluted national HAV- IgM positive quality control samples with the diluent rate at 1:8.

Repeatability: The results should be consistent and the coloration degree should be consistent when detecting the precision control samples by 10 kits of the same batch.

2. Clinical trial results

A clinical evaluation was conducted on 1040 samples comparing the results obtained using the Diagnostic Kit for IgM Antibody to Hepatitis A Virus (Colloidal Gold) and other commercially available HAV tests. The results demonstrated a 98.48% positive agreement, 99.23% negative agreement, and a 99.04% overall agreement of the Diagnostic Kit for IgM Antibody to Hepatitis A Virus (Colloidal Gold) when compared to the other HAV- IgM test.

3. Analytical sensitivity: 1000 mol/L bilirubin, 5.65mmol/L triglyceride, 6.5g/L hemoglobin has no effect on the detection result. The reagent is not affected by the rheumatoid factor, antinuclear antibodies, anti-mitochondrial antibodies, non-specific IgG and IgM.

The addition of HEV、HBV、TOX、RV、CMV、HSV- I、HSV- II、HCV、HGV、TP and HIV showed no cross-reactivity.

The detection results are negative after the destruction of IgM antibody, which indicated that the test kit has a strong specific for IgM.

4. Hook effect: the hook effect will not occur even the HAV- IgM concentration is high.

Precaution

1. For IN VITRO diagnose only.
2. Do not use after the expiration date.
3. The test result is invalid over 20 minutes.
4. The strength of the quality control line doesn't indicate the quality problem of the reagent, a test result that is clearly visible demonstrates the reagent is effective.
5. All samples and reagents should be considered potentially hazardous and handled in the same manner as an infectious agent after use.
6. Patients used to receive monoclonal antibodies therapy may have human anti-mouse antibodies (HAMA) in blood, which does not apply to the detection of this reagent. Other detection method is suggested.
7. Do not use other kinds of quality control sample to test the reagent. Components of different batches cannot be exchanged for use to avoid erroneous results.