



INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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Medizym[®] IAA

- 96 determinations -

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Enzyme immunoassay for the determination of Autoantibodies to Insulin (IAA) in human serum



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IFU symbols non-radioactive assays MEDIPAN GMBH

IVD	In vitro diagnostic device	CE	EC Declaration of Conformity
REF	Catalogue number	LOT	Batch code
	Expiry date		Manufactured by
	Consult accompanying documents		Consult operating instruction
	Store at		Biological risk
MP	Coated microtiterplate (96 wells)	DIL	Sample diluent
WASHB	Wash buffer	SUB	Substrate
CAL	Calibrators	CONJ	Conjugate
STOP	Stop solution	CONTROL	Control serum

INTENDED USE

Type 1 diabetes, also known as insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus (IDDM), results from a chronic autoimmune destruction of the insulin-secreting pancreatic beta cells, probably initiated by exposure of genetically susceptible host to an environmental agent. Autoimmune destruction of beta cells is thought to be completely asymptomatic until 80-90% of the cells are lost. This process may take years to complete and may occur at any time in all ages.

The presence of **Insulin autoantibodies (IAA)** in patients **never treated with insulin**, as opposed to insulin antibodies (IAb), is an evidence of an ongoing destruction process of pancreatic beta cells in type 1 diabetes. **IAA** are particularly important when determining type 1 diabetes risk since their prevalence is significantly elevated in subjects developing the disease in childhood and moreover, they are often the first autoantibodies to be detected before onset of the disease. The prevalence of IAA is inversely correlated with the age of diagnosis.

In type 1 diabetics with recent onset of the disease in the age < 5 years IAA can be determined in > 90 % of the patients, whereas in type 1 diabetics in the age > 20 years the prevalence of IAA is < 20 %.

The IAA measurement, together with that of antibodies to glutamic acid decarboxylase (GAD65 Ab), protein tyrosine phosphatase-like antigen IA2 and Islet cells antigens (ICA) forms the basis of current strategies for predicting future onset of type 1 diabetes.

In addition to autoantibodies to human insulin, antibodies induced by insulin treatment can be frequently found. Such antibodies occur at much higher concentration and are mainly directed against de-natured (incorrectly folded) fraction of applied insulin. This may lead to formation of antigen-antibody-complexes and by this reducing of the activity of the injected insulin. Measurements are necessary to obtain an optimal disease management when applying insulin.

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PRINCIPLE of the TEST

Medizym[®] IAA is an enzyme immunoassay for the quantitative determination of IgG autoantibodies and antibodies to insulin in human serum.

In the first step Insulin AAb from the diluted sample bind to human recombinant insulin coated on the microtiter plate. After an incubation of 60 minutes at room temperature unbound components are removed by washing. In a next step bound antibodies reacts with the added anti-human-IgG horseradish peroxidase (HRP) complex. Excessive conjugate is removed after 30 minutes at room temperature by another washing step. HRP converts the colorless substrate TMB added into a blue product. The enzyme reaction is stopped by adding an acid solution after 15 minutes at room temperature. The absorbance of the resulting yellow product is measured at 450 / 620 nm within 30 minutes. The obtained OD is direct proportional to the amount of bound antibodies.

PATIENT SAMPLES

Specimen collection and storage

Blood is taken by venipuncture. After clotting, the serum is separated by centrifugation. Do not use lipaemic or grossly hemolytic serum samples. Plasma should not be used.

The samples may be kept at 2 - 8 °C up to three days. Long-term storage requires - 20 °C.

Repeated freezing and thawing should be avoided. For multiple use, aliquot samples and keep them at - 20 °C.

TEST COMPONENTS for 96 DETERMINATIONS

A	Microtiter plate 12 breakable strips, 8 wells per strip coated with human recombinant insulin	vacuum sealed with desiccant
MP		
B	Concentrated wash buffer sufficient for 1000 ml	100 ml concentrate white capped
WASHB		
D	Anti human IgG (goat) Horseradish peroxidase (HRP) complex	15 ml ready for use red capped
CONJ		
E	Substrate (3,3',5,5'-Tetramethylbenzidin)	15 ml ready for use blue capped
SUB		
F	Stop solution (0.25 M sulfuric acid)	15 ml ready for use yellow capped
STOP		
G	Sample diluent	100 ml ready for use black capped
DIL		
C I	Negative Control concentration: see leaflet	1 ml ready for use green capped
CONTROL	-	
C II	Positive Control concentration: see leaflet	1 ml ready for use red capped
CONTROL	+	
1 - 5	Calibrators: concentrations see leaflet	5 vials 1 ml each, ready for use white capped
CAL		

Materials required

- Precision pipettes 5 - 1000 µl
- Disposable pipette tips
- 8 channel wash comb or microplate washer
- Micro plate reader with optical filters for 450 nm and 620 or 690 nm
- Graduated cylinders
- Distilled or de-ionized water
- Incubator 37 °C (can be purchased from MEDIPAN)
- Absorbent paper or paper towel
- foil

Size and storage

Medizym® IAA has been designed for 96 determinations. This is sufficient for the analysis of 40 unknown samples as well as for calibrators and control serum assayed in duplicates.

The expiry date of each component is reported on its respective label, that one of the complete kit on the box label.

Upon receipt, all components of the Medizym® IAA have to be kept at 2 - 8 °C, preferably in the original kit box.

Preparation before use

Allow samples to reach room temperature prior to assay. Take care to agitate serum samples gently in order to ensure homogeneity.

Note: Patients samples have to be diluted 1 + 100
e.g. 5 µl sample + 500 µl sample diluent (G)

Please, handle the following components carefully:

- A** Allow the sealed microplate to reach room temperature before opening for at least 30 minutes. Unused wells should be stored refrigerated and protected from moisture in the original bag carefully resealed for 4 weeks.
- B** Prepare a sufficient amount of washing solution by diluting the concentrated wash buffer (B) 1 + 9 with distilled or deionized water. For example, dilute 50 ml of the concentrate with 450 ml of distilled water. The diluted washing solution can be stored at 2 - 8 °C up to 30 days.
- D** The anti-human IgG-HRP solution is stable up to 4 weeks at 2 - 8 °C after opening.
- E** Avoid exposure of substrate solution (E) to light.

ASSAYS PROCEDURE

- Duplicates are recommended.

1. Pipette into the corresponding wells according to assay scheme
 - **100 µl** calibrators (1 - 5)
 - **100 µl** diluted patient sample and controls (CI and CII; CI optional).
 2. Cover the plate and incubate for **60 min** at RT (18-25 °C).
 3. Aspirate or "flick out" by striking the wells sharply onto absorbent paper to remove any residual droplets. Wash **3 times** with **300 µl** washing solution (diluted from B) with 5 seconds soaking time each.
 4. Add **100 µl** of anti-human IgG – HRP (D) to each well.
 5. Cover the plate and incubate for **30 min** at RT (18-25 °C).
 6. Aspirate or "flick out" by striking the wells sharply onto absorbent paper to remove any residual droplets. Wash **3 times** with **300 µl** washing solution (diluted from B) with 5 seconds soaking time each.
 7. Add **100 µl** substrate solution (E) to each well and shake shortly.
 8. Incubate for **15 min** in the **dark** at RT (18-25 °C).
 9. Add **100 µl** stop solution (F) to each well.
- Avoid any time shift during pipetting the samples and reagents.**
10. Read the optical density at **450 nm** versus **620 or 690 nm** within **30 min** after adding the stop solution.

Please note that the washing procedure is crucial. Insufficient washing will result to poor precision and falsely elevated OD readings. After each washing step any residual fluid has to be removed completely. The plate should be shortly shaken after each pipetting step.

DATA PROCESSING

The standard curve is established by plotting the mean OD-values of the calibrators 1 - 5 on the ordinate, y-axis, versus their respective IAA-Ab-concentrations on the abscissa, x-axis.

The IAA Abs concentrations of the controls and the unknown diluted samples are directly read off in U/ml from the measured OD₄₅₀ values. There is no further correction for the dilution necessary.

Medizym® IAA may be used also with Computer Assisted Analysis with software able to use spline smoothing fitting.

TYPICAL EXAMPLE

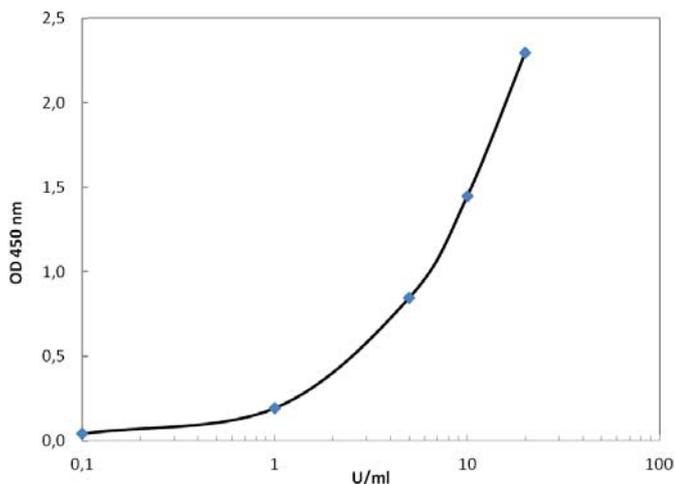
Do not use for evaluation!



Sample	OD (a) 450 nm	OD (b) 450 nm	OD (mean)	U/ml
Calibrator 1	0.033	0.052	0.042	0.1
Calibrator 2	0.186	0.199	0.193	1
Calibrator 3	0.876	0.817	0.847	5
Calibrator 4	1.461	1.435	1.448	10
Calibrator 5	2.285	2.307	2.296	20
Control C I	0.201	0.189	0.195	1.2
Control C II	1.185	1.248	1.203	7.8
Patient 1	1.221	1.224	1.223	7.9

CALIBRATOR CURVE

Typical example



Criteria of validation

Specimens with an OD higher than Calibrator 5 should be diluted further by the sample diluent and the concentration of IAA / IA antibodies should be calculated by the applied dilution factor.

REFERENCE VALUES

Medizym® IAA	
negative	< 2.4 U / ml
positive	≥ 2.4 U / ml

It is recommended that each laboratory establishes its own normal and pathological reference ranges for serum anti-Insulin antibodies levels as usually done for other diagnostic parameters, too. Therefore, the abovementioned reference values provide only a guide.

CHARACTERISTIC ASSAY DATA

Calibration

The Medizym® IAA is artificially calibrated and concentrations of IAA are therefore expressed in U/ml.

Linearity

On the basis of the heterogeneous nature of the autoantibody population and in view of epitope specificity and affinity of the autoantibodies the theoretical values expected by dilution with IAA free human serum do not correspond with the measured concentrations in some cases.

Specificity and sensitivity

The Medizym IAA shows a diagnostic sensitivity of 77%. The diagnostic specificity was determined at 94% with 100 sera from presumably healthy blood donors. Beside the Golden Calibrator IAA RIA no other possibilities to measure Insulin autoantibodies are known on a routine basis, yet.

Detection limits

The analytical sensitivity (lower detection limit, Blank + 3 SD) was established to be 0.1 U/ml.

The Limit of Quantitation (LOQ, Blank + 10 SD) was calculated to be 0.3 U/ml.

Intra - and inter-assay variation

Intra-assay (n = 20)			Inter-assay (n = 5 x 10)		
Sample no.	Mean Concentration (U/ml)	CV (%)	Sample no.	Mean Concentration (U/ml)	CV (%)
1	4.8	7.5	4	5.3	5.4
2	9.1	2.3	5	9.5	2.4
3	18.4	4.0	6	18.5	1.2

LIMITATIONS of the METHOD

Healthy individuals should be tested negative by using the Medizym® IAA. However, Insulin autoantibodies may also be present in apparently healthy persons.

Any clinical diagnosis should not be based on the results of in vitro diagnostic method alone. Physicians are supposed to consider all clinical and laboratory findings possible to state a diagnosis.

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ASSAY SCHEME

Bring all reagents to room temperature. Gently mix all reagents to ensure homogeneity.
Dilute all samples 1 + 100 (v + v) by sample diluent (G).

Step	Activity	Material	CAL	CI, CII	Diluted patient samples 1. 2 etc.
1	Pipette	Samples, Controls	100 µl	100 µl	100 µl
2	Incubate	Plate (A)	1 hour at RT		
3	Aspirate or decant	put sharply onto absorbent tissue			
	Pipette	Washing solution made from B	3 x 300 µl	3 x 300 µl	3 x 300 µl
4	Pipette	Anti-human IgG HRP (D)	100 µl	100 µl	100 µl
5	Incubate	Plate (A)	30 min at RT		
6	Aspirate or decant	put sharply onto absorbent tissue			
	Pipette	Washing solution made from B	3 x 300 µl	3 x 300 µl	3 x 300 µl
7	Pipette	Substrate (E)	100 µl	100 µl	100 µl
8	Incubate	Plate (A)	15 min at RT in the dark		
9	Pipette and mix	Stop solution (F)	100 µl	100 µl	100 µl
10	Measure OD	at 450 nm versus 620 nm (or 690 nm) within 30 min			

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- **This kit is for in vitro use only.** Follow the working instructions carefully. This instruction manual is valid only for the present kit with the given composition. An exchange of single components is not in agreement with CE regulations.
- The expiration dates stated on the respective labels are to be observed. The same relates to the stability stated for reconstituted reagents.
- Do not use or mix reagents from different lots.
- Do not use reagents from other manufacturers.
- Avoid time shift during pipetting of reagents.
- All reagents should be kept at 2 - 8 °C before use in the original shipping container.
- Some of the reagents contain small amounts Neolone[™] M10 (≤ 1 % v/v) as a preservatives. They must not be swallowed or allowed to come into contact with skin or mucosa.
- Source materials derived from human body fluids or organs used in the preparation of this kit were tested and found negative for HBsAg and HIV as well as for HCV antibodies. However, no known test guarantees the absence of such viral agents. Therefore, handle all components and all patient samples as if potentially hazardous.
- Since the kit contains potentially hazardous materials, the following precautions should be observed:
 - Do not smoke, eat or drink while handling kit material.
 - Always use protective gloves.
 - Never pipette material by mouth.
 - Wipe up spills promptly, washing the affected surface thoroughly with a decontaminant.
- In any case GLP should be applied with all general and individual regulations to the use of this kit.