



# CanAg NSE EIA

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EN	EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS
BG	ОБЯСНЕНИЕ НА СИМВОЛИТЕ
CS	VÝZNAM SYMBOLŮ
DA	SYMBOLFORKLARING
DE	ERKLÄRUNG DER SYMBOLE
EL	ΕΠΕΞΗΓΗΣΗ ΤΩΝ ΣΥΜΒΟΛΩΝ
ES	SIGNIFICADO DE LOS SÍMBOLOS
ET	SÜMBOLITE SELGITUS
FR	EXPLICATION DES SYMBOLES
HR	OBJAŠNJENJE SIMBOLA
HU	JELMAGYARÁZAT
IT	SPIEGAZIONE DEI SIMBOLI
LT	SIMBOLIŲ PAAIŠKINIMAI
LV	SIMBOLU SKAIDROJUMS
NL	VERKLARING DER SYMBOLEN
NO	SYMBOLFORKLARING
PL	OBJAŚNIENIE SYMBOLI
PT	EXPLICAÇÃO DOS SÍMBOLOS
RO	SEMNIȚAȚIA SIMBOLURILOR
RU	ОБОНАЧЕНИЯ
SV	SYMBOLFÖRKLARING
SK	VÝZNAM SYMBOLOV
SL	RAZLAGA SIMBOLOV
SR	OBJAŠNJENJE SIMBOLA
TR	SEMBOLLERİN AÇIKLAMALARI



Use By/Годно до/Použitelné do/  
Holdbar til/Verwendbar bis/  
Ημερομηνία λήξης/Fecha  
de caducidad/Kölblik kuni/  
Utiliser jusque/Rok valjanosti/  
Felhasználható/Utilizzare entro/  
Sunautoti iki/Izlietot līdz/Houdbaar  
tot/Brukes innen/Uzyć przed/  
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Использовать до/Använd före/  
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LOT

Batch code/Номер на партида/  
Číslo šarže/Lotnummer/  
Chargenbezeichnung/Αριθμός  
Παρτίδας/Código de lote/Partii  
kood/Code du lot/Kod serije/  
Sarzsám/Codice del lotto/  
Partijos kodus/Partijas kods/Lot  
nummer/Partikode/Kod partii/  
Código do lote/Număr de lot/  
Номер лота/Lotnummer/Číslo  
šarže/Številka serije/Kod partije/  
Parti Kodu



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Tillverkningsdatum/Dátum výroby/Datum izdelave/Datum proizvodnje/Ûretim tarihi



Temperature limitation/  
Температурни граници/  
Teplotní omezení/  
Temperaturbegrensning/  
Temperaturbegrenzung/  
Περιορισμό θερμοκρασίας/  
Limites de temperatura/  
Temperatuuri piirang/  
Limite de température/  
Temperaturno ograničenje/  
Hőmérsékletre vonatkozó korlátozás/  
Limiti di temperatura/  
Temperatūriņai apribojimai/  
Temperatūras ierobežojums/  
Temperaturbeperking/  
Temperaturbegrensninger/  
Temperatury graniczne/  
Limite de temperatura/  
Limite de temperatură/  
Температурный режим/  
Temperaturbegrensning/  
Teplotné obmedzenie  
Omejitve temperature/  
Temperaturno ograničenje/  
Sıcaklık sınırlaması/

**IVD**

In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Device/  
Медицински уред за диагностика  
ин витро/Diagnostický zdravotnický  
prostředek in vitro/Medicinsk udstyr til  
in vitro-diagnostik/In-vitro-Diagnostikum/  
Ιατροτεχνολογικό προϊόν για διάγνωση  
In Vitro/Dispositivo médico para  
diagnóstico in vitro/In vitro diagnostiline  
meditsiiniseade/Dispositif médical de  
diagnostic in vitro/Diagnostički medicinski  
uređaj In Vitro/In vitro orvosdiagnostikai  
eszköz/Dispositivo medico per test  
diagnostici in vitro/In Vitro Diagnostiné  
Medicinos Priemonė/Mediciniska ierīce  
in vitro diagnostikai/In vitro-diagnostisch  
medisch instrument/In vitro diagnostisk  
medisinsk udstyr/Wyrób medyczny do  
diagnostyki in vitro/Dispositivo Médico  
de Diagnóstico In Vitro/Dispozitiv medical  
pentru diagnostic in vitro/Только для  
диагностики In Vitro/Endast för in  
vitro-diagnostik/ Zdravotnička pomôcka na  
diagnostiku in vitro/In vitro diagnostični  
pripomoček/Diagnostički medicinski  
uređaj In Vitro/<96> testleri için yeterlilik  
içerir



Contains sufficient for <96> tests/Съдържа  
достатъчно количество за тестове  
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tests/Sadržaj dovoljno za <96> testova/A  
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Tilstrækkelig innhold for <96> prøver/  
Wystarczy na wykonanie <96> testów/  
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Conținut suficient pentru 96 de teste/  
Содержит достаточные количества для  
«96» определений/Innehåller tillräckligt  
till "96" antal tester/Obsah postačuje na  
tento počet testov: <96>/Vsebina zadostuje  
za <96> testov/Sadržina dovoljna za <96>  
testova/<96> testleri için yeterlilik içerir

**REF**

Catalogue number/Каталожен номер/  
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Bestellnummer/Αριθμός καταλόγου/  
Número de catálogo/Katalogi number/  
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Katalogo numeris/Numurs katalogā/  
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Produktnummer/Katalógové číslo/  
Kataloška številka/Kataloški broj/  
Katalog numarası



Consult Instructions for Use/  
Прочетете инструкцията за  
употреба/Konzultujte s návodem  
k použití/Se brugsanvisning/Siehe  
Gebrauchsanweisung/Συμβουλευτείτε  
τις Οδηγίες σχετικά με τη χρήση/  
Consulte las instrucciones de uso/  
Vt kasutusjuhendit/Consulter le mode  
d'emploi/Pročitajte upute za uporabu/  
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Consultare le istruzioni per l'uso/Dél  
naudojimo žiūrėkite instrukcijas/Izlasiet  
lietošanas instrukciju/Raadpleeg de  
instructies voor gebruik/Les instruksene  
fer bruk/Sprawdźc w instrukcji użycia/  
Consulte as Instruções de Utilização/  
Consultați instrucțiunile de utilizare/  
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применению/Se bruksanvisning/  
Prečítajte si návod na používanie/  
Pročitajte uputstvo za upotrebu/  
Kullanım Talimatlarını Bakınız

## CONT

Contents of kit/Съдържание на набора/  
Obsah soupravy/Kittets indhold/Inhalt  
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del kit/Komplekt sisaladab/Contenu du  
kit/Sadržaj opreme/A készlet tartalma/  
Contenuto del kit/Rinkinio turinys/  
Komplekta saturs/Inhoud van de set/  
Settets innhold/Zawartość zestawu/  
Conteúdo do kit/Conținutul setului/  
Компоненты набора/Kit innehåll/  
Obsah súpravy/Vsebina kompleta/Sadržaj  
opreme/Kitin içindekiler



Biological risks/Биологическа  
опасност/Biologická rizika/Biologisk  
fare/Biologische Gefahren/Βιολογικοί  
κίνδυνοι/Riesgos biológicos/  
Bioloogilised ohud/Risques biologiques/  
Biolóskli rizici/Biológiai kockázatok/Rischi  
biologici/Biologinis pavojus/Biolóiskais  
risks/Biologische risico's/Biologiske  
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biológicos/ Biologisk risk/Pericole  
biologice/Биологическая опасность/  
Biologicky rizikové/Biologické riziká/  
Biolóskli rizici/Biyolojik riskler

## ORIG HUM

Human/С човешки произход/Lidské/  
Human/Human/δείγματα αναφοράς/  
Humano/Inimpăritolu/Humaine/Ljudskog  
porjekla/Human/Origine Umana/  
Žmogaus kilmės/Cilvēku izcelsmes/  
Human/Menneske/Ludzka/Humano/  
Origine umană/Человеческого  
происхождения/Human/Luidské/  
Humanega izvora/Ljudskog porekla/Insan

## ORIG MOU

From mouse/С миши произход/Мышь/  
Fra mus/Maus/από ποντίκι/de ratón/  
Hiirtelt/De souris/Mišijeg porjekla/  
Egérðól/Murino/Pelės kilmės/No peles/  
Van muizen/Fra mus/Mysia/Do rato/De  
la șoareci/Мышиного происхождения/  
Frán mus/Myšie/Mišjega izvora/Mišijeg  
porekla/Fareden

## ORIG BOV

Bovine/С говежди произход/  
Hovēzi/Bovin/Rind/από βοοειδή/  
Bovino/Veistelt/Bovine/Rogate stoke/  
Szarvasmarha/Bovino/Jaučio/No  
liellopa/Bovien/Bovin/Wolowy/Bovino/  
Origine bovină/крупного рогатого  
скота/Frán ko/Hovädzie/Govejega  
izvora/Rogate krupne stoke/Bovin



Reconstitute with/Разтваряне с/  
Rozředte pomocí/Rekonstitueres med/  
Rekonstituieren mit/Ανασάσταση με/  
Reconstituir con/Lahjendamine/  
Reconstituer avec/Rekonstituiraġte s/  
Feloldáshoz/Ricostituire con/Atkurti,  
ištirpdant su/Atšķaidīt ar/Reconstituite  
met/Rekonstitueres med/Odtworzyć  
za pomocą/Reconstituir con/A  
se reconstitui cu/Растворить в/  
Rekonstituera med/Rozriedte pomocou/  
Rekonstituiraġte z/s/Ponovno formiranje  
sa/Yeniden oluştirulur



Manufacturer/Производитель/Výrobce/  
Producent/Hersteller/Κατασκευαστής/  
Fabricante/Tootja/Fabricant/Proizvođač/  
Gyártó/Fabbicante/Gamintojas/  
Ražotājs/Fabrikant/Produsent/  
Producent/Fabricante/Producător/  
Производитель/Тилverkare/ Výrobca/  
Izdelovalec/Proizvođač/Üretici

# CanAg NSE EIA

Instructions for use

Enzyme immunometric assay kit  
For 96 determinations

## INTENDED USE

The CanAg NSE EIA kit is intended for the quantitative determination of NSE in human serum.

## SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION OF THE ASSAY

The glycolytic enzyme enolase (2-phospho-D-glycerate hydrolase, EC 4.2.1.11) exists as several dimeric isoenzymes ( $\alpha\alpha$ ,  $\alpha\beta$ ,  $\alpha\gamma$ ,  $\beta\beta$  and  $\gamma\gamma$ ) composed of three distinct subunits  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ . The  $\gamma$  unit is found either in a homologous  $\gamma\gamma$  or in a heterologous  $\alpha\gamma$ -isoenzyme and is known as neuron-specific enolase (NSE). The monoclonal antibodies used in the CanAg NSE EIA bind to the  $\gamma$ -subunit of the enzyme and thereby detects both the  $\gamma\gamma$  and the  $\alpha\gamma$  forms (1, 2).

## PRINCIPLE OF THE TEST

The CanAg NSE EIA is a solid phase, non-competitive immunoassay based on two monoclonal antibodies (derived from mice) directed against two separate antigenic determinants of the NSE molecule. The monoclonal antibodies (MAb) used bind to the  $\gamma$ -subunit of the enzyme and thereby detects both the  $\gamma\gamma$  and the  $\alpha\gamma$  form. Calibrators and samples are incubated together with biotinylated Anti-NSE MAb E21 and horseradish peroxidase (HRP) labelled Anti-NSE MAb E17 in streptavidin coated microstrips. After washing, buffered Substrate/Chromogen reagent (hydrogen peroxide and 3, 3', 5, 5' tetramethylbenzidine) is added to each well and the enzyme reaction is allowed to proceed. During the enzyme reaction a blue colour will develop if antigen is present. The intensity of the colour development is proportional to the amount of NSE present in the samples. The colour intensity is determined in a microplate spectrophotometer at 620 nm (or optionally at 405 nm after addition of Stop Solution).

Calibration curves are constructed for each assay by plotting absorbance value versus the concentration for each calibrator. The NSE concentrations of samples are then read from the calibration curve.

## REAGENTS

- Each CanAg NSE EIA kit contains reagents for 96 tests.
- The expiry date of the kit is stated on the label on the outside of the kit box.
- Do not use the kit beyond the expiry date.
- Do not mix reagents from different kit lots.
- Store the kit at 2–8° C. Do not freeze.
- Opened reagents are stable according to the table below provided they are not contaminated, stored in resealed original containers and handled as prescribed. Return to 2–8° C immediately after use.

Component	Quantity	Storage and stability after first opening
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### MICROPLA

<b>Microplate</b>	1 Plate	2–8° C until expiry date stated on the plate
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12 x 8 breakable wells coated with streptavidin. After opening, immediately return unused strips to the aluminium pouch containing desiccant and reseal carefully to keep dry.

<b>NSE Calibrators</b>	5 vials, lyophilised	4 weeks at 2–8° C 3 months at –20° C
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CAL	NSE	A	1 x 0.75 mL
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CAL	NSE	B	1 x 0.75 mL
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CAL	NSE	C	1 x 0.75 mL
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CAL	NSE	D	1 x 0.75 mL
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CAL	NSE	E	1 x 0.75 mL
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The lyophilised calibrators contain human NSE in a protein matrix with 0.01 % of a non-azide preservative. To be reconstituted with 0.75 mL distilled water before use.

**NOTE:** The exact NSE concentration is lot specific and is indicated on the label of each vial.

Component	Quantity	Storage and stability after first opening
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<b>BIOTIN</b>	<b>Anti-NSE</b>
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Biotin Anti-NSE	1 x 15 mL	2–8° C until expiry date stated on the vial
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Biotin Anti-NSE monoclonal antibody from mouse, approximately 2 µg/mL. Contains phosphate buffer (pH 7.1), bovine serum albumin, blocking agents, an inert blue dye and 0.01 % methyl-isothiazolone (MIT) as preservative. To be mixed with Tracer, HRP Anti-NSE before use.

<b>CONJ</b>	<b>Anti-NSE</b>
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Tracer, HRP Anti-NSE	1 x 0.75 mL	2–8° C until expiry date stated on the vial
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Stock solution of HRP Anti-NSE monoclonal antibody from mouse, approximately 40 µg/mL. To be mixed with Biotin Anti-NSE prior to use. Contains 0.02 % methyl-isothiazolone (MIT), 0.02 % bromonitrodioxane and 20 ppm Proclin™ 300 as preservatives.

<b>SUBS</b>	<b>TMB</b>
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TMB HRP-Substrate	1 x 12 mL	2–8° C until expiry date stated on the vial
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Ready for use. Contains buffered hydrogen peroxide and 3, 3', 5, 5' tetramethylbenzidine (TMB).

<b>STOP</b>
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Stop Solution	1 x 15 mL	2–8° C until expiry date stated on the vial
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Ready for use. Contains 0.12 M hydrochloric acid.

Component	Quantity	Storage and stability after first opening		
<table border="1"> <tr> <td>WASHBUF</td> <td>25X</td> </tr> </table>	WASHBUF	25X	1 x 50 mL	2–8° C until expiry date stated on the bottle
WASHBUF	25X			

To be diluted with water 25 times before use. A Tris-HCl buffered salt solution with Tween 20. Contains Germall II as preservative.

### Indications of instability

The TMB HRP-Substrate should be colourless or slightly bluish. A blue colour indicates that the reagent has been contaminated and should be discarded.

### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

**For Research Use Only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.**

- Please refer to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Bethesda, Md., US) publication No. (CDC) 88-8395 on laboratory safety or any other local or national regulation.
- Handle all serum specimens as potentially infectious.
- Follow local guidelines for disposal of all waste material.

### Caution

Each donor unit used in the preparation of human source reagent has been tested and found to be Non Reactive for HIV-1/2 Antibody, HCV Antibody and Hepatitis B Surface Antigen (HBsAg). Since no method can completely rule out the presence of blood borne diseases, the handling and disposal of human source reagents from this product should be made as if they were potentially infectious.

### CLP (1272/2008) HAZARD CLASSIFICATION

Information about CLP (1272/2008) HAZARD CLASSIFICATION can be found at the end of this document.

## SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND HANDLING

The CanAg NSE EIA is intended for use with serum. Collect blood by venipuncture and separate the serum according to common procedures. Serum should be separated from the clot within 60 minutes of collection to avoid leaking of NSE from blood cells. Do not use haemolysed samples. Plasma is not recommended since significant amounts of NSE can be released from platelets. Samples can be stored at 2–8° C for 24 hours. For longer periods store samples at -70° C or below. Samples should not be stored in a self-defrosting freezer and not be thawed and refrozen before analysis. Bring frozen samples to room temperature and mix THOROUGHLY by gently inverting multiple times before analysis. Samples that contain gross particulates should be centrifuged at 10.000 x g for 10 minutes, prior to use to eliminate any particulate matter that may have developed from the thawing process. Analyze thawed samples within one hour.

## PROCEDURE

### Materials required but not supplied with the kit

**1. Microplate shaker**

Shaking should be medium to vigorous, approximately 700-1100 oscillations/min.

**2. Microplate wash device**

Automatic plate washer capable of performing 1 and 6 washing cycles with a minimal fill volume of 350 µL/well/washcycle.

An 8-channel pipette with disposable plastic tips for delivery of 350 µL is recommended if an automatic microplate washer is not used.

**3. Microplate spectrophotometer**

With a wavelength of 620 nm and/or 405 nm, and an absorbance range of 0 to 3.0.

**4. Precision pipettes**

With disposable plastic tips for dispensing microlitre volumes. An 8-channel pipette or respenser pipette with disposable plastic tips for delivery of 100 µL is useful but not essential. Pipettes for dispensing millilitre volumes.

**5. Distilled or deionized water**

For reconstitution of NSE Calibrators and for preparation of diluted wash solution.



## Procedural notes

1. A thorough understanding of this package insert is necessary to ensure proper use of the CanAg NSE EIA kit. The reagents supplied with the kit are intended for use as an integral unit. Do not mix identical reagents from kits having different lot numbers. Do not use the kit reagents after the expiry date printed on the outside of the kit box.
2. Reagents should be allowed to reach room temperature (20–25°C) prior to use. The assay should only be performed at temperatures between 20–25°C to obtain accurate results. Frozen sera must be gently but thoroughly mixed after thawing.
3. Before starting to pipette calibrators and specimens it is advisable to mark the strips to be able to clearly identify the samples during and after the assay.
4. The requirement for efficient and thorough washing for separation of bound and unbound antigen and reagents from the solid-phase bound antibody-antigen complexes is one of the most important steps in an EIA. In order to ensure efficient washing make sure that all wells are completely filled to the top edge with wash solution during each wash cycle, that wash solution is dispensed at a good flow rate, that the aspiration of the wells between and after the wash cycles is complete and that the wells are empty. If there is liquid left, invert the plate and tap it carefully against absorbent paper.
  - Automatic strip washer: Follow the manufacturer's instructions for cleaning and maintenance diligently and wash the required number of wash cycles prior to and after each incubation step. It's highly recommended to use *strip* process mode and *overflow* wash mode with a dispensing volume of 800 µL. The aspiration/wash device should not be left standing with the Wash Solution for long periods, as the needles may get clogged resulting in poor liquid delivery and aspiration.
5. The TMB HRP-Substrate is very sensitive for contamination. For optimal stability of the TMB HRP-Substrate, pour the required amount from the vial to a carefully cleaned reservoir or preferably a disposable plastic tray to avoid contamination of the reagent. Be sure to use clean disposable plastic pipette tips (or dispenser pipette tip).
6. Be sure to use clean disposable plastic pipette tips and a proper pipetting technique when handling samples and reagents. Avoid carry-over by holding the pipette tip slightly above the top of the well and avoid touching the plastic strip or surface of the liquid. A proper pipetting technique is of particular importance when handling the TMB HRP-Substrate solution.

# Protocol Sheet

## CanAg NSE EIA REF 420-85

Mix the components directly before use. Use shaking conditions according to the Instructions.

Step	Vial/Plate	Procedure																									
1. Prepare NSE Calibrators	<table border="1"><tr><td>CAL</td><td>NSE</td></tr></table> A, B, C, D, E	CAL	NSE	Add 0.75 mL of distilled water to each vial and mix gently. Allow to stand for at least 15 minutes. <b>NOTE:</b> The exact concentration of each calibrator is stated on the label. This value of the calibrators should be used for calculations.																							
CAL	NSE																										
2. Prepare Wash Solution	<table border="1"><tr><td>WASHBUF</td><td>25X</td></tr></table>	WASHBUF	25X	Dilute 50 mL of Wash Concentrate with 1 200 mL of distilled water or deionized water.																							
WASHBUF	25X																										
3. Prepare Antibody Solution	<table border="1"><tr><td>CONJ</td><td>Anti-NSE</td></tr><tr><td>BIOTIN</td><td>Anti-NSE</td></tr></table>	CONJ	Anti-NSE	BIOTIN	Anti-NSE	Mix 50 µL of Tracer, HRP Anti-NSE with 1 mL of Biotin Anti-NSE per strip: <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>No. of Strips</th><th>HRP Anti-NSE (µL)</th><th>Biotin Anti-NSE (mL)</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>50</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>100</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>150</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>200</td><td>4</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>250</td><td>5</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>300</td><td>6</td></tr></tbody></table>	No. of Strips	HRP Anti-NSE (µL)	Biotin Anti-NSE (mL)	1	50	1	2	100	2	3	150	3	4	200	4	5	250	5	6	300	6
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BIOTIN	Anti-NSE																										
No. of Strips	HRP Anti-NSE (µL)	Biotin Anti-NSE (mL)																									
1	50	1																									
2	100	2																									
3	150	3																									
4	200	4																									
5	250	5																									
6	300	6																									



Preparation of reagents	Stability of prepared reagent
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<b>NSE Calibrators</b>	4 weeks at 2–8° C
	3 months at -20° C

Add exactly 0.75 mL of distilled water to each vial and mix gently. Allow standing for at least 15 minutes to reconstitute. **NOTE:** The concentration of the calibrators is stated on the labels and should be used for calculation of the results.

<b>Wash Solution</b>	2 weeks at 2–25° C in a sealed container
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Pour the 50 mL Wash Concentrate into a clean container and dilute 25-fold by adding 1200 mL of distilled or deionised water to give a buffered Wash Solution.

<b>Antibody Solution</b>	3 weeks at 2–8° C
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Prepare the required quantity of Antibody Solution by mixing 50 µL of Tracer, HRP Anti-NSE with 1 mL of Biotin Anti-NSE per strip (see table below):

No. of Strips	Tracer, HRP Anti-NSE (µL)	Biotin Anti-NSE (mL)
1	50	1
2	100	2
3	150	3
4	200	4
5	250	5
6	300	6
7	350	7
8	400	8
9	450	9
10	500	10
11	550	11
12	600	12

Be sure to use a clean plastic or glass bottle for preparation of Antibody Solution.

**Alternative:** Pour the content of the Tracer, HRP Anti-NSE into the vial of Biotin Anti-NSE and mix gently. Be sure that all content of the Tracer is transferred to the vial of Biotin Anti-NSE.

**NOTE:** The Antibody Solution is stable for 3 weeks at 2–8° C. Do not prepare more Antibody Solution than will be used within this period and make sure that it is stored properly.

## Assay procedure

Perform each determination in duplicate for both calibrators and unknown samples. A calibration curve should be run with each assay. All reagents and samples must be brought to room temperature (20–25 °C) before use.

1. Start to prepare NSE Calibrators, Wash Solution and Antibody Solution. It is important to use clean containers. Follow the instructions carefully.
2. Transfer the required number of microplate strips to a strip frame. (Immediately return the remaining strips to the aluminium pouch containing a desiccant and reseal carefully). Wash each strip once with the Wash Solution. Do not wash more strips than can be handled within 30 min.
3. Pipette 25 µL of the NSE Calibrators (CAL A, B, C, D, E) and unknown specimens (unknowns-Unk) into the strip wells according to the following scheme:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 etc
A	Cal A	Cal E	4th Unk				
B	Cal A	Cal E	etc				
C	Cal B	1st Unk					
D	Cal B	1st Unk					
E	Cal C	2nd Unk					
F	Cal C	2nd Unk					
G	Cal D	3rd Unk					
H	Cal D	3rd Unk					

4. Add 100 µL of Antibody Solution to each well using a 100 µL precision pipette (or an 8-channel 100 µL precision pipette). Avoid carry-over by holding the pipette tip slightly above the top of the well and avoid touching the plastic strip or surface of the liquid.
5. Incubate the plate for 1 hour ( $\pm$  10 min) at room temperature (20-25°C) with constant shaking of the plate using a microplate shaker.
6. After the incubation aspirate and wash each strip 6 times.

7. Add 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of TMB HRP-Substrate to each well using the same procedure as in item 4. The TMB HRP-Substrate should be added to the wells as quickly as possible and the time between addition to the first and last well should not exceed 5 min.
8. Incubate for 30 min ( $\pm$  5 min) at room temperature with constant shaking. Avoid exposure to direct sunlight.
9. Immediately read the absorbance at 620 nm in a microplate spectrophotometer.

### Option

If the laboratory does not have access to a microplate spectrophotometer capable of reading at 620 nm the absorbance can be determined as in item 10.

10. Add 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of Stop Solution, mix and read the absorbance at 405 nm in a microplate spectrophotometer within 5 min after addition of Stop Solution.

### Measurement range

The CanAg NSE EIA measures concentrations between 1 and approximately 150  $\mu\text{g/L}$ . If NSE concentrations above the measuring range are to be expected, it is recommended to dilute samples with normal human serum prior to analysis.

**NOTE:** The serum used for dilution should also be measured in order to determine the endogenous NSE concentration (see "Calculation of results").

### Reference materials

Since no common reference material is available for NSE antigen, CanAg NSE EIA Calibrator values are assigned against a set of in-house reference standards.

### CALCULATION OF RESULTS

If a microplate spectrophotometer with built-in data calculation program is used refer to the manual for the spectrophotometer and create a program using the concentration stated on the label of each of the NSE calibrators.

For automatic calculation of NSE results it is recommended to use either of the following methods:

- Cubic spline curve fit method. Calibrator A should be included in the curve with the value 0  $\mu\text{g/L}$ .
- Spline smoothed curve fit method. Calibrator A should be used as plate blank.
- Interpolation with point-to-point evaluation. Calibrator A should be included in the curve with the value 0  $\mu\text{g/L}$ .
- Quadratic curve fit method. Calibrator A should be included in the curve with the value 0  $\mu\text{g/L}$ .

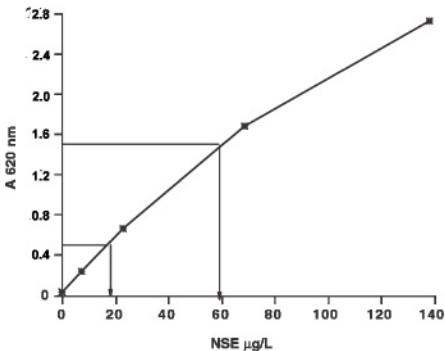
**NOTE:** 4-Parametric or Linear regression evaluation methods should not be used.

For manual evaluation, a calibration curve is constructed by plotting the absorbance (A) values obtained for each NSE Calibrator against the corresponding NSE concentration (in µg/L), see figure. The unknown NSE concentrations can then be read from the calibration curve using the mean absorbance value of each specimen. If samples in an initial analysis give NSE levels above the concentration of calibrator E, it is necessary to dilute the sample 1/10 with normal human serum in order to obtain accurate results. The result should then be calculated according to the following procedure:

$$\text{Dilution 1/10: } 10 \times ([\text{NSE}]_{\text{Diluted sample}} - (0.9 \times [\text{NSE}]_{\text{Normal human serum}}))$$

### Example of results

Specimen	Calibrator values	Mean abs value (A)	NSE µg/L
CAL   NSE   A	0 µg/L	0.037	
CAL   NSE   B	7.5 µg/L	0.238	
CAL   NSE   C	22.9 µg/L	0.663	
CAL   NSE   D	68.4 µg/L	1.688	
CAL   NSE   E	138.0 µg/L	2.720	
Specimen 1		0.518	17.5
Specimen 2		1.474	57.8



*Example, do not use this curve to determine assay results.*

*The exact NSE concentration is indicated on the label of each calibrator vial.*

## LIMITATIONS OF THE PROCEDURE

Serum should not contain visible haemolysis (the absorbance at 500 nm for non-turbid sample should not exceed 0.3) since erythrocytes contain significant amounts of NSE (3). Prolonged storage of whole blood can cause release of NSE from the blood cells.

Anti-reagent antibodies (human anti-mouse antibody (HAMA) or heterophilic antibodies) in the sample may occasionally interfere with the assay, even though specific blocking agents are included in the buffer.



## CLP (1272/2008) HAZARD CLASSIFICATION

The following warnings and precautions apply to

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<b>Signal word:</b>	Danger
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<b>Prevention statement:</b>	P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
<b>Prevention:</b>	P280 Wear protective gloves / protective clothing / eye protection / face protection.
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<b>Precautionary statement disposal:</b>	P501 Dispose of contents / container to an approved hazardous / special waste disposal facility in accordance with local and national regulations.

### Restricted to professional users.

**Hazardous substances:** 2- Pyrrolidone

### Other hazards

None of the mixtures in the kit contains any substances considered to meet the criteria classifying them as PBT and/or vPvB.

## WARRANTY

The performance data presented here were obtained using the assay procedure indicated. Any change or modification of the procedure not recommended by Fujirebio Diagnostics may affect the results, in which event Fujirebio Diagnostics disclaims all warranties expressed, implied or statutory including the implied warranty of merchantability and fitness for use.

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