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INTENDED USE

The IBL-America CA15-3 ELISA Kit is intended for the determination of CA15-3 concentration in human serum or plasma. For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

| | MATERIALS PROVIDED | 96 Tests |
|----|---|----------|
| 1. | Microwells coated with streptavidin | 12x8x1 |
| 2. | Anti CA15-3 Biotin Conjugate, 1 bottle (Ready to Use) | 12 ml |
| 3. | Anti CA15-3-HRP Enzyme Conjugate, 1 bottle (Ready to Use) | 12 ml |
| 4 | Sample Diluent, 1 bottle (Ready to Use) | 25 ml |
| 5. | CA 15-3 Standards , 6 Vials (Ready to Use) | 0.5 ml |
| 6. | CA 15-3 Controls, 2 Vials (Ready to Use) | 0.5 ml |
| 7. | TMB Solution, 1 bottle (Ready to Use) | 12 ml |
| 8. | Stop Solution, 1 bottle (Ready to Use) | 12 ml |
| 9. | Wash Concentrate (20x), 1 Bottle | 25 ml |

MATERIALS NOT PROVIDED

- 1. Distilled or deionized water
- 2. Precision pipettes
- 3. Disposable pipette tips
- 4. ELISA reader capable of reading absorbance at 450nm
- 5. Absorbance paper or paper towel
- 6. Graph paper
- 7. Microcentrifuge tubes

STORAGE AND STABILITY

- 1. Store the kit at 2-8° C.
- 2. Keep microwells sealed in a dry bag with desiccants.
- 3. The reagents are stable until expiration of the kit.
- 4. Do not expose test reagents to heat, sun or strong light

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- 1. For Research Use Only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.
- 2. For Laboratory Use
- 3. Not for Internal or External Use in Humans or Animals.
- 4. There should be no eating or drinking with work area.
- 5. Always wear gloves and a protective lab coat.
- 6. No pipetting should be done by mouth. Handle all specimens and reagents as potentially infectious and biohazardous.
- 7. Do not add sodium azide to samples as preservative.
- 8. Do not use external controls containing sodium azide.
- Use disposable pipette tips to avoid contaminating chromogenic substrate reagent. Discard reagent if it turns blue.
- 10. Do not pour chromogenic substrate back into container after use.

- 11. Do not freeze reagents.
- 12. Do not mix reagents from different kit lot numbers.
- 13. Keep reagents out of direct sunlight.
- 14. Handle stop reagent with care since it is corrosive.
- 15. Bring all reagents to room temperature.
- 16. Viscous forensic samples should always be diluted in phosphate buffered saline or distilled water prior to pipetting.
- 17. Ensure the bag containing the micro-plate strips and desiccant is sealed well, if only a few strips are used.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND PERPARATION

Serum or plasma should be prepared from a whole blood specimen obtained by acceptable medical techniques. This kit is for use with serum, plasma-EDTA, or plasma-heparin samples.

REAGENT AND SAMPLE PREPARATION

- Immediately before testing, prepare samples by diluting using a 1:9 ratio in Sample Diluent provided. Example: add 50ul of sample to 450ul of Sample Diluent and mix well. Discard unused diluted samples. Do not dilute the standards.
- 2. Prepare 1X Wash buffer by adding the contents of the bottle (25 ml, 20X) to 475 ml of distilled or deionized water. Store at room temperature (20-25 °C).

ASSAY PROCEDURE

Bring all specimens and kit reagents to room temperature (20-25 °C) and gently mix.

- 1. Samples should be diluted 10-fold before use. (See Reagent and Sample Preparation above). DO NOT DILUTE THE STANDARDS OR CONTROLS.
- 2. Secure the desired number of coated wells in the holder. Dispense 25 μ l of CA15-3 standards, diluted samples, and controls into the appropriate wells.
- 3. Add 100ul of Antibody-Biotin Conjugate Reagent (blue solution) to all wells. Gently mix for 20-30 seconds at 500-600 rpm.
- 4. Incubate for 60 minutes at room temperature.
- Remove liquid from all wells. Wash wells three times with 350 μL of 1X wash buffer. After each wash, sharply and firmly tap the upside-down plate on absorbance paper or paper towels to remove residual droplets.
- 6. Dispense 100µL of Enzyme Conjugate (red solution) into each well.
- 7. Incubate for 60 minutes at room temperature.
- 8. Remove the contents of the well and wash the plate 3x as described in step 5 above.
- 9. Dispense 100µL of TMB Solution into each well.
- **10.** Incubate at room temperature for 15 minutes.
- 11. Stop the reaction by adding 50 µL of Stop Solution to each well.
- **12.** Read the absorbance at 450nm (using a reference wavelength of 630nm) with a microtiter plate reader within 15 minutes.

CALCULATIONS AND RESULTS

- 1. Calculate the average absorbance values for each set of reference standards, control, and samples.
- 2. Construct a standard curve by plotting the mean absorbance obtained for each reference standard against its concentration in U/ml on linear graph paper, with absorbance on the vertical (y) axis and concentration on the horizontal (x) axis.
- 3. Using the mean absorbance value for each sample, determine the corresponding concentration of CA15-3 in U/ml from the standard curve.

EXAMPLE OF STANDARD CURVE

Results of a typical standard run with optical density readings at 450nm shown in the Y-axis against CA15-3 concentrations shown in the X axis. This standard curve is for the purpose of illustration only, and should not be used to calculate unknowns. Each user should obtain his or her own data and standard curve for every test run.

| CA15-3 Values (U/ml) | Absorbance (450 nm) |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 0 | 0.028 |
| 10 | 0.167 |
| 30 | 0.428 |
| 60 | 0.835 |
| 120 | 1.385 |
| 240 | 2.208 |

LIMITATIONS OF THE PROCEDURE

- 1. Reliable and reproducible results will be obtained when the assay procedure is carried out with a complete understanding of the package insert instructions and with adherence to good laboratory practice.
- 2. The wash procedure is critical. Insufficient washing will result in poor precision and falsely elevated absorbance readings.