



DIAGNOSTIC KIT FOR DETERMINATION OF LIPOPROTEIN (a) CONCENTRATION

INTRODUCTION

Lipoprotein(a) is a complex, cholesterol-carrying particle in the blood related to LDL wchich, when present at high levels, may be associated with the development of atherosclerosis and coronary heart disease, independent of LDL cholesterol and apoB. The structural component of Lp(a) distinguishing it from LDL is apolipoprotein(a), a large protein attached by disulfide bonding to the apoB-100 component of LDL. The similarity of the apo(a) sequence to those of plasminogen and hepatocyte growth factor suggests that the role of lipoprotein(a) in promoting the development of atherosclerosis may come from its capability to:

1) interfere in the breakdown of blood clots,

2) stimulate atherosclerotic cell proliferation.

Lp(a) levels is largely due to hereditary factors and considered to be useful in assessment of atherosclerosis risks.

METHOD PRINCIPLE

When an antigen-antibody reaction occurs between Lp(a) in a sample and anti-Lp(a) antibody which has been sensitized to latex particles, agglutination results. This agglutination is detected as an absorbance change (700 nm), with the magnitude of the change being proportional to the quantity of Lp(a) in the sample. The actual concentration is then determined by interpolation from a calibration curve prepared from calibrators of know concentration.

REAGENTS

Package	
1-Reagent	1 x 36 ml
2-Reagent	1 x 19 ml

The reagents when stored at 2-10°C are stable up to expiry date printed on the package. Protect from light and avoid contamination!

Concentrations in the test

suspension of latex particles sensitized with anti-Lp(a) antibodies (rabbit) (pH 7.3) 0.4 w/v% glycine buffer solution (pH 9.0)

Warnings and notes

- Product for in vitro diagnostic use only.
- Reagent bottles should be shaken before use by gently inverting several times.
- After measurements are taken, reagent bottles should capped and kept at 2-10°C. Care should be taken not to interchange the caps of reagent bottles.
- Reagents with different lot numbers should not be interchanged or mixed.
- The reagents contain sodium azide (< 0.1%) as a preservative. Avoid contact with skin and mucous membranes.

SPECIMEN

Serum or plasma (Na-EDTA, K-EDTA, Na-Heparin, Li-Heparin). If the test cannot be done immediately, the sample should be placed in a tightly sealable container and stored at -20°C. Repeated freezing and thawing should be avoided.

Nevertheless it is recommended to perform the assay with freshly collected samples!



PROCEDURE

These reagents may be used in automatic analyser ACCENT-300. 1-Reagent and 2-Reagent are ready to use. For reagent blank 0.9% NaCl is recommended.

APPLICATION

Parameters			
No.	40 Prim.Wave.		700
Test	Lp(a) Sec.Wave.		0
Method	Endpoint	Sample Vol.	8
Direction	Ascend	R1 Vol.	240
Unit	mg/dl R2 Vol.		120
Decimals	0	Line. Limit	
Incubation	15	Antigen Check	ν
Reaction	-1 15	Substrat	0
D1 Dlamla		Min D Dlank	
R1 Blank	0	Mix. R Blank	0
Lower	0	Lower	0
	0 0		0 0
Lower Upper		Lower Upper	
Lower Upper Response	0	Lower Upper Linearity	
Lower Upper Response Lower	-2.5	Lower Upper Linearity Lower	
Lower Upper Response	0	Lower Upper Linearity	
Lower Upper Response Lower Upper	0 -2.5 2.5	Lower Upper Linearity Lower Upper	0
Lower Upper Response Lower	-2.5	Lower Upper Linearity Lower	

Calibration

Rule	Spline	
K Factor	0	
Replicates	1	
Interval	0	
Sensitivity	0	
Correlation	0	
Difference	2.5	
Blank Response	0 2.5	
Coefficient Difference	0	
Non-linear SD	0	

REFERENCE VALUES⁴

serum, plasma < 30 mg/dl It is recommended for each laboratory to establish its own reference ranges for local population. Diagnosis should only be made after taking clinical symptoms and the results of other tests into consideration.

QUALITY CONTROL

For internal quality control it is recommended to use the CORMAY Lp(a) CONTROL N (Cat. No 4-492) and CORMAY Lp(a) CONTROL P (Cat. No 4-493) with each batch of samples.

For the calibration of automatic analysers systems the CORMAY Lp(a) CALIBRATORS kit (Cat. No 4-281) is recommended. A calibration curve should be drawn each time the test performed.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

These metrological characteristics have been obtained using an automatic analyser TBA-30R. Results may vary if a different instrument is used.

• Analytical range: 0.5 – 80 mg/dl.

For higher concentration dilute the sample with 0.9% NaCl and repeat the assay. Multiply the result by dilution factor.

Specificity / Interferences

Haemoglobin up to 0.5 g/dl, bilirubin up to 30 mg/dl, triglycerides up to 6000 mg/dl, intralipid up to 500 mg/dl, RF up to 500 IU/ml do not interfere with the test.

Precision

Repeatability (run to run)	Mean	SD	CV
n = 10	[mg/dl]	[mg/dl]	[%]
level 1	20.9	0.1	0.33
level 2	43.5	0.3	0.74

Method comparison

A comparison between CORMAY reagent (y) and commercially available assay (x) using 66 samples gave following results: y = 1.11 x - 1.42 mg/dl;R = 0.989 (R – correlation coefficient)

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Please refer to local legal requirements.

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