

Midstream Pregnancy Test - Device

A rapid immunochromatographic test for detection of hCG (human Chorionic Gonadotropin) hormone from human urine

For Self - Testing & *In-Vitro* Diagnostic Use Only

Store at 4°C to 30°C

OVERVIEW

Human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG) is a glycoprotein hormone produced by the developing placenta shortly after fertilization. In normal pregnancy, hCG can be detected in both urine and serum as early as 7 to 10 days after conception (1-4). hCG levels continue to rise very rapidly, frequently exceeding 100 mIU/mL by the first missed menstrual period (2-4), and peaking in the 100,000-200,000 mIU/mL range about 10-12 weeks into pregnancy. The appearance of hCG in both urine and serum soon after conception, and its subsequent rapid rise in concentration during early gestational growth, make it an excellent marker for the early detection of pregnancy.

INTENDED USE

Midstream pregnancy test (Device) is a self-testing immunoassay made for the rapid and visual determination of hCG (human Chorionic Gonadotropin) hormone from human urine specimen to aid in the early detection of pregnancy.

PRINCIPLE

The Midstream Pregnancy test (Device) is an immunoassay for the fast detection of hCG from human urine. The special membrane is placed in front of reaction pad which contains colloidal gold particles coated with monoclonal anti-hCG antibodies. If a sample is applied, the colloidal gold particles dissolve in the liquid sample. If the sample contains the hCG hormone, this is bonded to the monoclonal antibodies marked with colloidal gold particles. The dissolved gold particles are transported through the membrane due to the capillary forces effective in the special membrane. In the area of the Test line (T), the anti-hCG antibodies immobilized there form the complex of hCG and colloidal gold. A colored line is formed depending on the hCG concentration. The surplus colloidal gold particles and mouse IgG colloidal gold particles then move further and bonded in the area of the control-line coated with goat anti mouse IgG antibodies, so that a colored line also becomes visible in this area. This line serves as an internal functional check and must be formed in every test. If no or only very little hCG is present in the sample (< 10 mIU/ml), the hormone-gold particle complex is not formed or it is formed in insufficient amount to generate a visible colored line in the area of the test-line.

CONTENTS OF KIT

1. Test Device
2. Desiccant Pouch
3. Package Insert

OPTIONAL MATERIAL REQUIRED

1. Stop Watch

PRECAUTIONS/KIT STORAGE AND STABILITY

1. Please read all the information in this package insert before performing the test. Pay particular attention to the position of the Control and Test lines.
2. Do not use the expired test. The expiry date is printed on the foil pouch.
3. Store in the sealed pouch in a dry place in between temperature 4°C to 30°C. Do not freeze.
4. Do not use the test if pouch is torn or damaged.
5. Do not open the foil pouch until you are ready to start the test.
6. Keep out of the reach of children.

WARNINGS

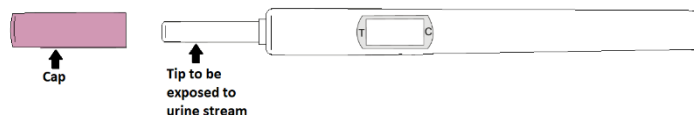
1. Do not reuse the test.
2. Follow the instruction to get accurate results.
3. Dispose the used test hygienically in domestic waste.
4. Do not touch the membrane.
5. For in vitro diagnostic use. Not to be taken internally.
6. Do not eat the desiccant in the package.
7. Do not mix the specimen sample or interchange the different specimen.
8. The manufacturer and distributor of this product shall not be liable for any losses, liability, claims, costs or damages whether direct or consequential arising out of or related to an incorrect diagnosis.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION

A first morning urine specimen is preferred since it generally contains the highest concentration of hCG. However, urine specimens collected at any time of the day may be used.

TEST PROCEDURE

1. Allow the Midstream Pregnancy test Device and urine sample to reach room temperature (20°C to 30°C) before opening the foil pouch.
2. Remove the Pregnancy test Device and Desiccant Pouch. Check the color of the Desiccant. It should be blue, if it has turned colorless or pink, discard the test & use another test. Once opened, the test must be used immediately.
3. Remove the cap and hold the device cap side in urine stream (side tip pointing towards the urine stream vertically) for 9 to 10 seconds.
4. Do not expose the control and test window to the urine stream.
5. Recap the device and allow the urine sample to flow throughout the membrane.
6. Read the result at 5 minutes. Do not read the result after 10 minutes.



INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

Negative: A colored line appears at control side 'C' only.



Positive: A distinct colored lines appears at control side 'C' and at test side 'T'.



Invalid: The test should be considered invalid if,

- a. No line appears at control side 'C' and line appears only at test side 'T'.
- b. No line appears at control side 'C' and test side 'T'.



NOTE:

The intensity of the color in the test line region (T) will vary depending on the concentration of hCG present in the specimen. However, neither the quantitative value nor the rate of increase in hCG can be determined by this qualitative test. Depending on the concentration of hCG in the specimen, positive results may appear as early as 30 seconds. Negative results must be confirmed only at the end of five minutes.

LIMITATIONS

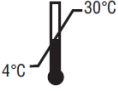
1. Very dilute specimens, as indicated by low specific gravity, may not contain representative levels of hCG. If pregnancy is still suspected, first morning urine suspension should be collected 48 hours later and tested.
2. False negative results may occur when the levels of hCG are below the sensitivity level of test. When pregnancy is still suspected, first morning urine suspension should be collected 48 hours later and tested.
3. A number of conditions other than pregnancy, including trophoblastic disease and non-trophoblastic neoplasms including testicular tumors, prostate cancer, breast cancer and lung cancer cause elevated levels of hCG. Therefore, the presence of hCG in urine should not be used to diagnose pregnancy unless these conditions have been ruled out.
4. Excessive Fluid intake should be avoided before testing. A 'Non-Pregnant' result may be obtained if the urine sample is too dilute.
5. This test is not reusable.

DISCLAIMER

The all precautions shall be taken to ensure the diagnostic ability and accuracy of this product. This product is utilized outside the control of manufacturer and distributors. The various factors including storage temperature, environmental conditions and procedure error may affect the results. This test provides presumptive diagnosis of pregnancy. A confirmed pregnancy diagnosis should only be made by a physician after all clinical and laboratory findings have been evaluated.

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	In Vitro Diagnostic Use
	Manufacturer
	Manufacturing Date
	Expiry Date
	Lot Number
	Store at 4°C to 30°C
	Single Use
	Number of tests in the pack
	Do not use if pouch or kit damaged
	This side Up
	Read package insert before use



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