

Prealbumin FS*

Order Information

Cat. No.

1 0292 99 10 921

Kit size



400 (4 x 100)

Intended Use

Diagnostic reagent for quantitative in vitro determination of prealbumin in human serum or heparin plasma on automated respons[®]920.

Summary

Prealbumin or transthyretin is a protein synthesized mainly by the liver with a molecular mass of 55 kDa. It is a transport protein for the thyroid hormones thyroxine or triiodothyronine. A further function of prealbumin is transporting vitamin A in the presence of retinol-binding protein, thereby preventing its loss through the kidneys [1]. Furthermore, prealbumin exhibits a tryptophane abundance and one of the highest essential-to nonessential amino acids ratios of any protein in the body, making it a distinct marker for protein synthesis [1-3]. Due to its short half-life of 1 to 2 days, measurement of prealbumin serum levels may provide a timelier and sensitive assessment of protein malnutrition or liver dysfunction than transferrin or albumin [1]. Various pathological conditions affect serum prealbumin concentrations: As a negative acute phase reactant, prealbumin concentration decreases in the presence of inflammation as well as in the immediate postsurgical period [1,2]. Serum levels also decline in patients with conditions associated with protein malnutrition, such as malignancy, cirrhosis, protein-losing enteropathy and zinc deficiency [1-3]. An elevation of serum prealbumin levels is associated with prednisone and progestational therapy, usage of anabolic steroids, and acute alcohol intoxication [2,3]. Moreover, lowered prealbumin levels in serum are significantly associated with disease severity and mortality in COVID-19 patients. Prealbumin determination might support early risk assessment and disease monitoring in COVID-19 patients with malnutrition [4].

Method

Immunoturbidimetric test

Determination of prealbumin concentration by photometric measurement of antigen antibody reaction between antibodies against prealbumin and prealbumin present in the sample.

Reagents

Components and Concentrations

R1:	TRIS	pH 7.5	100 mmol/L
	NaCl		50 mmol/L
R2:	TRIS	pH 7.8	150 mmol/L
	NaCl		450 mmol/L
	Antibodies (goat) against human prealbumin		< 1%

Storage and Stability

Reagents are stable up to the date of expiry indicated on the kit, if stored at 2 – 8°C and contamination is avoided. Do not freeze and protect from light.

The open-vial stability of the reagent is 18 months until expiry date.

Warnings and Precautions

- Components contained in Prealbumin FS are classified according to EC regulation 1272/2008 (CLP) as follows:



⚠ Reagent 1: Warning. H319 Causes serious eye irritation. P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection. P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. P337+P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

- The reagents contain sodium azide (0.95 g/L) as preservative. Do not swallow! Avoid contact with skin and mucous membranes.
- Reagent 2 contains material of biological origin. Handle the product as potentially infectious according to universal precautions and good clinical laboratory practice.
- To avoid carryover interference, please take care of efficient washing especially after use of interfering reagents. Please

refer to the DiaSys respons[®]920 Carryover Pair Table. Carryover pairs and automated washing steps with the recommended cleaning solution can be specified in the system software. Please refer to the user manual.

- In very rare cases, samples of patients with gammopathy might give falsified results [5].
- In case of product malfunction or altered appearance that could affect the performance, contact the manufacturer.
- Any serious incident related to the product must be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of the Member State where the user and/or patient is located.
- Please refer to the safety data sheets (SDS) and take the necessary precautions for the use of laboratory reagents. For diagnostic purposes, the results should always be assessed with the patient's medical history, clinical examinations and other findings.
- For professional use only.

Waste Management

Refer to local legal requirements for chemical disposal regulations as stated in the relevant SDS to determine the safe disposal.

Warning: Handle waste as potentially biohazardous material. Dispose of waste according to accepted laboratory instructions and procedures.

Reagent Preparation

The reagents are ready to use. The bottles are placed directly into the reagent rotor.

Materials Required

General laboratory equipment

Specimen

Human serum or heparin plasma

Only use suitable tubes or collection containers for specimen collection and preparation.

When using primary tubes, follow the manufacturer's instructions.

Stability [6]:

3 days	at	20 – 25°C
6 months	at	4 – 8°C
1 year	at	-20°C

Only freeze once. Discard contaminated specimens.

Calibrators and Controls

DiaSys TruCal Protein is recommended for calibration. Calibrator values have been made traceable to the reference material ERM[®]-DA470k/IFCC. Use DiaSys TruLab Protein Level 1 and Level 2 for internal quality control. All target values of the controls are traceable to DiaSys reagent/calibrator system. Quality control must be performed after calibration. Control intervals and limits have to be adapted to the individual requirements of each laboratory. Results must be within the defined ranges. Follow the relevant legal requirements and guidelines. Each laboratory should establish corrective action in case of deviations in control recovery.

	Cat. No.	Kit size
TruCal Protein	5 9200 99 10 039	5 x 1 mL
TruLab Protein Level 1	5 9500 99 10 046	3 x 1 mL
TruLab Protein Level 2	5 9510 99 10 046	3 x 1 mL

Performance Characteristics

Measuring range up to 1.5 g/L, depending on the concentration of the highest calibrator. Linearity is given within ± 10%. In case of higher concentrations re-measure samples after manual dilution with NaCl solution (9 g/L) or use rerun function.	
Limit of detection**	0.02 g/L
No prozone effect up to 2.8 g/L.	
Onboard stability	12 weeks
Calibration stability	6 weeks

Interference by	Interferences ≤ 10% up to	Analyte concentration [g/L]
Bilirubin (conjugated)	40 mg/dL	0.284
Bilirubin (unconjugated)	35 mg/dL	0.262
Hemolysis	150 mg/dL	0.346
Lipemia (triglycerides)	2000 mg/dL	0.477
Rheumatoid factor	500 IU/mL	0.289
For further information on interfering substances, refer to the literature [7-9].		

Precision			
Repeatability (n=20)	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Mean [g/L]	0.141	0.347	0.494
CV [%]	3.64	2.18	2.88
Between day (n=20)	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Mean [g/L]	0.150	0.335	0.520
CV [%]	4.83	3.64	3.37

Method comparison (n=118)	
Test x	DiaSys Prealbumin FS (Hitachi 917)
Test y	DiaSys Prealbumin FS (respons [®] 920)
Slope	1.02
Intercept	-0.013 g/L
Coefficient of correlation	0.998

** lowest measurable concentration which can be distinguished from zero; mean + 3 SD (n = 20) of an analyte free specimen.

Conversion Factor

Prealbumin [g/L] x 18.2 = Prealbumin [μmol/L]

Reference Range [10]

Serum/Plasma 0.2 – 0.4 g/L

Each laboratory should check if the reference ranges are transferable to its own patient population and determine own reference ranges if necessary.

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Application for serum and plasma

Test Details		Test Volumes		Reference Ranges	
Test	: PALB			Auto Rerun	<input type="checkbox"/>
Report Name	: Prealbumin			Online Calibration	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unit	: g/L	Decimal Places	: 3	Cuvette Wash	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wavelength-Primary	: 405	Secondary	: 700	Total Reagents	: 2
Assay Type	: 2-Point	Curve Type	: Cubic Spline	Reagent R1	: PALB R1
M1 Start	: 15	M1 End	: 15	Reagent R2	: PALB R2
M2 Start	: 33	M2 End	: 33		
Sample Replicates	: 1	Standard Replicates	: 3	Consumables/Calibrators:	
Control Replicates	: 1	Control Interval	: 0	Blank/Level 0	: 0
Reaction Direction	: Increasing	React. Abs. Limit	: *	Calibrator Level 1	: **
Prozone Limit %	: 97	Prozone Check	: Lower	Calibrator Level 2	: **
Linearity Limit %	: 0	Delta Abs./Min.	: 0.00	Calibrator Level 3	: **
Technical Minimum	: *	Technical Maximum	: *	Calibrator Level 4	: **
Y = aX + b	a= : 1.00	b= : 0.00		Calibrator Level 5	: **

*Technical limits are automatically defined by the software via the upper and lower calibrator level.

** Enter calibrator value.

Test Details		Test Volumes		Reference Ranges	
Test	: PALB				
Sample Type	: Serum				
Sample Volumes				Sample Types	
Normal	: 2.00 μ L	Dilution Ratio	: 1 X	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Serum <input type="checkbox"/> Urine <input type="checkbox"/> CSF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plasma <input type="checkbox"/> Whole Blood <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Increase	: 6.00 μ L	Dilution Ratio	: 1 X		
Decrease	: 2.00 μ L	Dilution Ratio	: 2 X		
Standard Volume	: 2.00 μ L				
Reagent Volumes and Stirrer Speed					
RGT-1 Volume	: 200 μ L	R1 Stirrer Speed	: High		
RGT-2 Volume	: 40 μ L	R2 Stirrer Speed	: High		

Test Details		Test Volumes		Reference Ranges	
Test	: PALB				
Sample Type	: Serum				
Reference Range	: DEFAULT				
Category	: Male				
Reference Range				Sample Types	
	Lower Limit		Upper Limit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Serum <input type="checkbox"/> Urine <input type="checkbox"/> CSF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plasma <input type="checkbox"/> Whole Blood <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
	(g/L)		(g/L)		
Normal	: 0.20		: 0.40		
Panic	: 0.00		: 0.00		