

# Bicarbonate FS\*

## Order Information

### Cat. No.

1 0950 99 10 923

### Kit size

800 (4 x 200)

## Intended Use

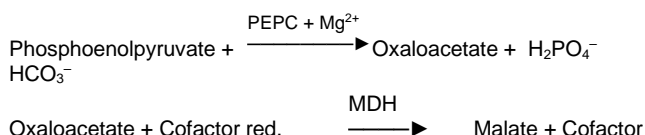
Diagnostic reagent for quantitative in vitro determination of bicarbonate/total CO<sub>2</sub> in human serum or heparin plasma on automated respons<sup>®</sup>920.

## Summary

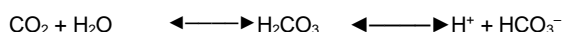
The pH values of human extra- and intracellular fluid are influenced by various factors and are expressed within the context of acid-base balance. Maintaining pH equilibrium is of major importance. Buffer systems serve as essential mechanisms to prevent alterations, with the HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>/CO<sub>2</sub> system being the primary one [1]. Acidosis and alkalosis represent two types of acid-base balance disorders that can manifest in both metabolic and respiratory systems. Measurement of bicarbonate is used to aid in diagnosing acid-base balance and associated disorders and disturbances, as well as to monitor the efficacy of treatments targeting conditions impacting the body's pH levels [2].

## Method

Enzymatic test using phosphoenolpyruvate carboxylase (PEPC) and a stable NADH analog



This reaction disturbs the following equilibrium:



This results in a conversion of CO<sub>2</sub> to bicarbonate (HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>) which then is included in the reaction. Therefore, the total CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured.

The decrease of reduced cofactor concentration is measured at 405 nm and is proportional to the concentration of total carbon dioxide in the sample.

## Reagent

### Components and Concentrations

Buffer	pH 7.5	
Phosphoenolpyruvate	(PEP)	12.5 mmol/L
Phosphoenolpyruvate carboxylase	(PEPC)	> 400 U/L
Malate dehydrogenase	(MDH)	> 4100 U/L
NADH analog		0.6 mmol/L

## Storage and Stability

Reagent is 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 15 months until expiry date.

## Warnings and Precautions

- The reagent contains sodium azide (0.8 g/L) as preservative. Do not swallow! Avoid contact with skin and mucous membranes.
- The reagent 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<sup>®</sup>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 [3].
- Abnormally high or fluctuating levels of CO<sub>2</sub> in the laboratory can interfere with carbon dioxide measurements, leading to inaccurate results. More frequent calibration may be required in these circumstances.

- 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 reagent is 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.

Separate serum or plasma from cells immediately and store at 2 - 8°C. Avoid exposure of samples to air. Store samples tightly sealed to prevent loss of carbon dioxide and assay as soon as possible after collection.

Stability [4]:

1 day	at	20 - 25°C
7 days	at	4 - 8°C
1 month	at	-20°C

Only freeze once. Discard contaminated specimens.

## Standard and Control

DiaSys Bicarbonate Standard FS is recommended for calibration. Standard value has been standardized against a primary standard on basis of sodium carbonate. Use DiaSys TruLab Bicarbonate 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.

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TruLab Bicarbonate	5 9700 99 10 065	3 x 3 mL
Bicarbonate Standard FS	1 0950 99 10 030	6 x 3 mL

## Performance Characteristics

Measuring range from 1.7 mmol/L up to 50 mmol/L, linearity is given within ± 5%. In case of higher concentrations re-measure samples after manual dilution with NaCl solution (9 g/L) or use rerun function.	
Limit of detection**	1.7 mmol/L
Limit of quantitation**	1.7 mmol/L
Onboard stability	3 weeks
Calibration stability	3 weeks



\* Fluid Stable

Interference by	Interferences ≤ 10% up to	Analyte concentration [mmol/L]
Ascorbic acid	30 mg/dL	18.3
Bilirubin (conjugated)	60 mg/dL	15.0
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Bilirubin (unconjugated)	60 mg/dL	16.4
	70 mg/dL	35.6
Hemolysis	1000 mg/dL	23.2
	600 mg/dL	42.0
Lipemia (triglycerides)	2000 mg/dL	16.4
	1900 mg/dL	41.5
For further information on interfering substances, refer to the literature [5,6].		

Precision			
Repeatability (n=20)	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Mean [mmol/L]	20.0	34.3	46.2
CV [%]	1.05	1.19	1.17
Between day (n=20)	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Mean [mmol/L]	17.4	26.7	44.3
CV [%]	3.48	2.86	1.57

Method comparison (n=114)	
Test x	DiaSys Bicarbonate FS (Hitachi 917)
Test y	DiaSys Bicarbonate FS (respons <sup>®</sup> 920)
Slope	1.05
Intercept	-1.33 mmol/L
Coefficient of correlation	0.998

\*\* according to CLSI document EP17-A, Vol. 24, No. 34

## Conversion Factor

Bicarbonate [mmol/L] = Bicarbonate [mEq/L]

## Reference Range [7]

Adults 22 – 29 mmol/L (mEq/L)

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

## Literature

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## Application for serum and plasma

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Report Name	: BICARB			Online Calibration	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unit	: mmol/L	Decimal Places	: 2	Cuvette Wash	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wavelength-Primary	: 405	Secondary	: 505	Total Reagents	: 1
Assay Type	: 2-Point	Curve Type	: Linear	Reagent R1	: HCO3 R1
M1 Start	: 2	M1 End	: 2	Reagent R2	:
M2 Start	: 24	M2 End	: 26	<b>Consumables/Calibrators:</b>	
Sample Replicates	: 1	Standard Replicates	: 3	Blank	: 0
Control Replicates	: 1	Control Interval	: 0	Calibrator	: *
Reaction Direction	: Decreasing	React. Abs. Limit	: 0.0000		
Prozone Limit %	: 0	Prozone Check	: Upper		
Linearity Limit %	: 0	Delta Abs. / Min.	: 0.0000		
Technical Minimum	: 1.7000	Technical Maximum	: 50.0		
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