

# ELISA Kit for Antibody IgM to Hepatitis E Virus (HEV)

## [NAME AND INTENDED USE]

\*\*\*ELISA Kit for Antibody IgM to Hepatitis E Virus (HEV)\*\*\* is an *in vitro* enzyme immunoassay for the detection of Anti-HEV antibodies IgG in human serum or plasma. It is for diagnosis of early infection and epidemic survey.

## [PRINCIPLE]

This kit uses Capture ELISA method to detect anti-HEV antibodies IgM in serum or plasma. The mouse anti human IgM ( $\mu$  chain) monoclonal antibody is coated on the multi-wells plate. The HRP conjugated recombinant HEV antigen serves as tracer. TMB is substrate for HRP. The enzyme reaction with substrate TMB produces a color change, and the intensity of the absorbance at 450 nm indicates the presence or absence of Anti-HEV antibodies IgM in the sample. The test is specific, sensitive, reproducible and easy to operate. It is for blood screen of HEV infection.

## [INSTRUMENT]

8 x 12 wells plate reader and washer

## [MATERIALS PROVIDED] 48 tests

1. Antigen Coated Microwell Plate	1 block (48wells)
2. Sample Diluent	1 bottle (6ml)
3. Enzyme Conjugant	1 vial (6ml)
4. Negative Control Serum	1 vial (0.5ml)
5. Positive Control Serum	1 bottle (0.5ml)
6. Concentrated Wash Buffer (20x)	1 bottle (25ml)
7. Substrate A	1 bottle (3ml)
8. Substrate B	1 bottle (3ml)
9. Stop Solution	1 bottle (3ml)
10. Plastic Bag	1 bag
11. Seal Paper	2 pieces
12. Manual	1 each

## [SAMPLE COLLECTION AND PRESERVATION]

Blood serum samples are routinely prepared from vein. Blood plasma sample are routinely prepared with routine amount of anticoagulant such as heparin or sodium citrate. Sample can be stored at 4°C if tested within five days. Sample can be stored at -20°C at least for 3 months. Avoid hemolysis and repetitive freeze and thaw of samples. Samples with cloud or precipitation should be centrifugated or filtered before test. Prevent serum from bacteria contamination during collection and storage.

## [TEST PROCEDURE]

1. Bring \*\*\* ELISA Kit for Antibody IgM to Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV) Type II \*\*\* (all reagents), and samples to room temperature before use (approximately 30 minutes).
2. Dilute concentrated wash buffer 1:20 with ddH<sub>2</sub>O
3. For each test, set one blank, two positive and three negative controls. Add 100  $\mu$ l positive and negative control serum into positive and negative control wells respectively without sample diluent.
4. Add 100  $\mu$ l sample diluent in each test wells, then at 10  $\mu$ l test serum into test wells. Pipet up and down to mix the samples well.
5. Cover wells with seal paper, incubate for 60 minutes at 37°C.
6. Discard the liquid in all wells and fill the wells with wash solution (300 $\mu$ l per well). Lay aside for 15 seconds, discard the liquid in all wells and fill the wells with wash solution. Repeat 5 times and dry wells after last wash.

7. Add enzyme conjugant 100  $\mu$ l into the wells except the blank well, mix thoroughly.
8. Cover wells with seal paper, incubate for 60 minutes at 37°C.
9. Repeat step 6
10. Add 50  $\mu$ l substrate A and B respectively to each well, mix gently, protected from light and lay aside for 15 minutes at 37°C.
11. Add one drop of stop solution (50  $\mu$ l) into each well to stop the reaction, including blank well.
12. Measure the absorbance at 450 nm against the blank, or measure the absorbance at 450 nm/630-690 nm within 30 minutes.

## [INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS]

Colorimetric Method

Cut Off Value calculation:

COV = 0.1 + the average OD of negative controls, (if the average OD of negative controls is below or equal to 0.05, calculate it as 0.05),

**Positive** OD<sub>450</sub> of sample  $\geq$  COV

**Negative** OD<sub>450</sub> of sample < COV

## [LIMITATION]

The testing is for qualitative and assistant diagnosis. Confirmation of infection should refer to the clinical and other diagnosis.

## [QUALITY CONTROL]

If the OD of positive controls is not below 1.5, OD of negative is not higher than 0.1, the assay result is validated. Otherwise, repeat the test.

## [PRECAUTIONS]

1. The samples should be fresh, avoid hemolysis, bacteria growing, and repetitive freeze and thaw.
2. Do not interchange reagents between kit lots. The seal paper can't be used repeatedly.
3. Mix reagents well before use. If crystal form in certain reagents, such as wash buffer, it can be used without problems after warm up and mix well.
4. Follow instruction exactly during assay, especially in temperature and time for reactions. All pipetting devices should be used with care and calibrated regularly following the manufacturer's instructions.
5. Put the remained reagents to the sealed pouch, and return to 2~8°C in time.
6. To prevent cross-contamination, wear gloves and working suits throughout the procedure, and execute the disinfection and isolation regulations strictly. Dispose of all samples and materials used to perform the test. The 5.0g/L liquid sodium hypochlorite solution or 121°C high pressure steam may be used to disinfect samples and materials before disposal (The positive control serum in the kit has been inactivated already)

## [PACKAGE SIZE]

48 tests/Kit

## [PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS]

**Sensitivity** the agreement rate of the tests =100.0% (n=10)

**Specificity** the agreement rate of the tests =100.0% (n=12)

**Precision** CV(%) $\leq$ 15% (n=10)

## [STORAGE AND STABILITY]

Store the kit at 2~8°C.

## [EXPIRATION]

The shelf life is 12 months from the receiving date.

**This Kit is for Research Use Only**