

**hs-CRP Fast Test Kit (Immunofluorescence Assay)  
For *in vitro* Diagnostic Use**

**User Manual**

**INTENDED USE**

hs-CRP Fast Test Kit (Immunofluorescence Assay) is intended for *in vitro* quantitative determination of C-reactive protein (CRP) in serum, plasma or whole blood. Measurement of CRP is useful for the detection and evaluation of infection, tissue injury and inflammatory disorders. Measurement of high sensitivity CRP (hs-CRP), when used in conjunction with traditional clinical laboratory evaluation of acute coronary syndromes (ACS), may be useful as an independent marker of prognosis for recurrent events in patients with stable coronary disease or ACS.

**SUMMARY**

C-reactive protein is an acute-phase reactant that precipitated with Pneumococcal C-polysaccharide, and is a non-specific immune response component. CRP has wide distribution in our body, and is an acute-phase protein produced in the liver in response to microbic infection or tissue injury, and the hs-CRP can be used to detect lower concentrations of CRP in serum or plasma. Studies revealed hs-CRP levels seem to be correlated with Atherosclerosis and Acute Myocardial Infarction. And the hs-CRP is an inflammation "marker" for ACS patient and is helpful for primary prevention and risk assessment of cardiovascular disease. Its combination with the ratio of total cholesterol to HDL-C is more accurate than other risk factor in predicting cardiovascular disease.

The American Heart Association and US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have advocated hs-CRP as a predictor of cardiovascular disease (CVD) to define risk groups: less than 1.0mg/L indicates low risk, 1.0 to 3.0 mg/L means moderate risk, and the amount above 3.0 mg/L (lower than 10mg/L) strongly suggests a high risk of CVD. Moreover, higher CRP levels are found in late pregnant women, mild inflammation and viral infections (10–40 mg/L), active inflammation, bacterial infection (40–200 mg/L), severe bacterial infections and burns (>200 mg/L).

**PRINCIPLE**

The test uses an anti-human hs-CRP monoclonal antibody conjugated with fluorescence and another anti-human hs-CRP monoclonal antibody coated on the test line. After the sample has been applied to the test strip, the fluorescence-labelled anti-human hs-CRP monoclonal antibody binds with the hs-CRP in sample and forms a marked antigen-antibody complex. This complex moves to the test card detection zone by capillary action. Then marked antigen-antibody complex is captured on the test line by the anti-human hs-CRP monoclonal antibody. The fluorescence intensity of the test line increases in proportion to the amount of hs-CRP in sample.

Then insert test card into Getein1100 Immunofluorescence Quantitative Analyzer (hereafter referred to as Getein1100), the concentration of hs-CRP in sample will be determined and displayed on the screen. The value will be stored in Getein1100 and available for downloading. The result can be easily transmitted to the laboratory or hospital information system.

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A test card consists of:

A plastic shell and a reagent strip which is composed of a sample pad, nitrocellulose membrane (one end of the membrane is coated with a fluorescence latex-labelled anti-human hs-CRP monoclonal antibody, the test line is coated with another anti-human hs-CRP monoclonal antibody and the control line is coated with rabbit anti-mouse IgG antibody), absorbent paper and liner.

Blood sample diluent:

Phosphate buffered saline, proteins, detergent, preservative, stabilizer.

**Note: Components from different batches must not be interchanged.**

**APPLICABLE DEVICE**

Getein1100 Immunofluorescence Quantitative Analyzer

**STORAGE AND STABILITY**

Store the test card at 4~30°C with a valid period of 24 months.

Use the test card within 1 hour once the foil pouch is opened.

Store the blood sample diluent at 0~30°C with a valid period of 24 months.

Store the blood sample diluent at 2~8°C for better results.

**PRECAUTIONS**

1. For *in vitro* diagnostic use only.
2. For professional use only.
3. Do not use the kit beyond the expiration date.
4. Do not use the test card if the foil pouch is damaged.
5. Do not open pouches until ready to perform the test.
6. Do not reuse the test card.
7. Do not reuse the pipet.
8. Handle all specimens as potentially infectious. Proper handling and disposal methods should be followed in accordance with local regulations.
9. Carefully read and follow the manual to ensure proper test performance.

**SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND PREPARATION**

1. This test can be used for serum, plasma, whole blood and fingertip blood samples. Heparin, sodium citrate and EDTA can be used as the anticoagulant for plasma, whole blood and fingertip blood. Samples should be free of hemolysis.
2. Suggest to use serum or plasma for better results.
3. If testing will be delayed, serum and plasma samples may be stored up to 7 days at 2~8°C or stored at -20°C for 6 months prior to being tested (whole blood sample may be stored up to 3 days at 2~8°C).
4. Refrigerated or frozen sample should reach room temperature and be homogeneous prior to testing. Avoid multiple freeze-thaw cycles.
5. Do not use heat-inactivated samples.
6. SAMPLE VOLUME: 10 µl.

**TEST PROCEDURE**

1. Collect specimen according to manual.
2. Test card, sample and reagent should be brought to room temperature prior to testing.
3. Confirm SD card lot No. in accordance with test kit lot No.. Perform "SD Card Calib" calibration when necessary (Details refer to 8.5.2 of Getein1100 User Manual).
4. On the main interface of Getein1100, press "ENT" button to enter testing interface.
5. Remove the test card from the sealed pouch immediately before use. Label the test card with patient or control identification.
6. Put the test card on a clean table, horizontally placed.
7. Using sample transfer pipette, deliver 10 µl of sample into one tube of sample diluent, mix gently and thoroughly. Then drop 100 µl of sample mixture (or 3-4 drops of sample mixture when using disposable pipet) into the sample port on the test card.
8. After 3~30 minutes, insert the test card into Getein1100 and press "ENT" button. The result will be shown on the screen and printed automatically.

**Notes:**

1. It is required to perform "SD Card Calib" calibration when using a new batch of kit.
2. It is suggested to calibrate once for one batch of kit.
3. Make sure the test card insertion is correct and complete.

**TEST RESULTS**

Getein1100 can scan the test card automatically and display the result on the screen. Please follow the procedure in user manual of Getein1100 for result printing.

For additional information, please refer to the user manual of Getein1100.

**EXPECTED VALUE**

hs-CRP: The expected normal value for hs-CRP was determined by testing samples from 500 apparently healthy individuals. The 95<sup>th</sup> percentile of the concentration for hs-CRP is 3 mg/L. hs-CRP concentration less than 3 mg/L can be estimated as normal.

CRP: The expected normal value for CRP was determined by testing samples from 500 apparently healthy individuals. The 95<sup>th</sup> percentile of the concentration for CRP is 10 mg/L. CRP concentration is less than 10 mg/L can be estimated as normal. CRP concentration higher than 10 mg/L can be estimated as inflammation or infection.

It is recommended that each laboratory establish its own expected values for the population it serves.

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS**

Measuring Range: 0.5~200 mg/L.  
 Lower Detection Limit: ≤0.5 mg/L.  
 Within-Run Precision: ≤10%  
 Between-Run Precision: ≤15%

**LIMITATIONS**

- As with all diagnostic tests, a definitive clinical diagnosis should not be made based on the result of a single test. The test results should be interpreted considering all other test results and clinical information such as clinical signs and symptoms.
- Samples containing interferents may influence the results. The table below listed the maximum allowance of these potential interferents.

Interferent	Concentration (Max)
Hemoglobin	10 g/L
Triglyceride	10 g/L
Bilirubin	0.2 g/L

**REFERENCES**

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**DESCRIPTION OF SYMBOLS USED**

The following graphical symbols used in or found on hs-CRP Fast Test Kit (Immunofluorescence Assay) are the most common ones appearing on medical devices and their packaging. They are explained in more detail in the European Standard EN 980: 2008 and International Standard ISO 15223-1:2007.

Key to symbols used			
	Manufacturer		Expiration Date
	Do not re-use		Date of manufacture
	Consult instructions for use		Batch code
	Temperature limitation		<i>In vitro</i> diagnostic medical device
	Sufficient for		Authorized representative in the European Community
	CE marking		

*Thank you for purchasing hs-CRP Fast Test Kit (Immunofluorescence Assay).*

*Please read this manual carefully before operating to ensure proper use.*  
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