

HOMOCYSTEINE ENZYMATIC ASSAY



Diazyme's Homocysteine Enzymatic Assay features convenient ready to use reagent, calibrators and controls for the quantitative determination of total L-homocysteine in serum or plasma.

Diazyme's proprietary Enzyme Cycling methodology is an excellent choice for cost conscious laboratories of all sizes due to a wide variety of instrument specific packaging options. The assay required minimal patient sample volume and provides fast, accurate and precise results.

DIAZYME HOMOCYSTEINE ASSAY ADVANTAGES

- Award winning Homocysteine enzymatic assay recognized by the American Association of Clinical Chemistry (AACC)
- Innovative enzyme cycling based technology for accurate and reliable results
- Excellent correlation to HPLC and immunochemical methods
- No "carry over" issues with iron or lipase reagents
- Test renal patients with confidence since there is no interference from cystathionine which affects some other less specific methods
- Available in 2 or 3 reagent format
- Liquid stable format requires no reagent preparation
- Wide range of instrument parameters available for simplifying implementation

REGULATORY STATUS

510(k) Cleared; EU:  
Health Canada Registered

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Dual Vial
Liquid Stable

ASSAY SPECIFICATIONS

Method	Diazyme Patented Enzyme Cycling
Sample Type & Volume	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Serum• Plasma<ul style="list-style-type: none">- EDTA- Li-heparin Sample Volume 13 μ L
Method Comparison	N = 40 y-intercept = 1.05 Slope = 0.94 R ² = 0.99
Linearity	Up to 50 μ mol/L
Calibration Levels	5-Point Calibration
Prozone/Hook Tolerance	up to 10,000 μ g/g
Reagent On-Board Stability	Opened: At least 60 days when stored at 2-8°C

Precision studies were tested with HCY Enzymatic Assay on OLYMPUS AU400

*Analyzer Dependent

Parameter questions for Homocysteine Enzymatic Assay should be addressed to Diazyme technical support. Please call 858.455.4768 or email support@diazyme.com

1. Vilaseca et al. *Clin. Chem.* 43: 690-692 (1997)

2. Faure-Delanef et al. *Am. J. Hum. Genet.* 60: 999-1001 (1997)

ASSAY PRECISION

Precision studies were conducted according to the NCCLS EP-5 protocol. Four HCY serum samples containing 7.0, 12.0, 15.6 and 29.0 μ M HCY were tested.

HCY Concentration	7 μ M	12 μ M	15.6 μ M	29 μ M
Within-Run Imprecision CV% N = 20	4.5	1.87	3.04	2.4
Total Imprecision CV% N = 30	5.87	4.88	5.51	2.57

ASSAY INTERFERENCE

An interference study was performed by testing a serum sample spiked with varied concentrations of endogenous substances. The following substances normally present in the serum produced less than 10% deviation when tested at the stated concentrations:

Bilirubin:	40 mg/dL
Triglycerides:	1000 mg/dL
Hemoglobin:	500 mg/dL
Bilirubin Conjugate:	40 mg/dL
Ascorbic Acid:	10 mM
Cystathioneine:	100 μ M**

**The concentrations tested are about 5-10 times higher than the normal range of serum levels.

REFERENCE RANGE

In most of the U.S. clinical laboratories, 15 μ mol/L is used as the cut-off value for normal level of Hcy for adults.¹⁻² In Europe, 12 μ mol/L is used as the cut-off value. However, each laboratory is recommended to establish a range of normal values for the population in their region.

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