

Albumin FS*

Order Information

Cat. No.	Kit size	
1 0220 99 10 021	6 x	25 mL
1 0220 99 10 026	6 x	100 mL
1 0220 99 10 023	1 x	1000 mL
1 0220 99 10 704	8 x	50 mL
1 0220 99 10 917	10 x	60 mL
1 0220 99 90 314	12 x	25 mL

Intended Use

Diagnostic reagent for quantitative in vitro determination of albumin in human serum or heparin plasma on automated photometric systems.

Summary

Albumin is an important binding and transport protein for various substances in plasma and the main contributor to the plasma osmotic pressure. Measurement of albumin in serum is used for diagnosis and monitoring of liver diseases, e.g. liver cirrhosis. Furthermore, albumin levels indicate the health and nutritional status of an individual and, therefore, are used for detecting malnutrition and for prognosis in elderly hospitalized patients. [1,2]

Method

Photometric test using bromocresol green

In the presence of bromocresol green at a slightly acid pH, serum albumin produces a color change of the indicator from yellow-green to green-blue.

Reagent

Components and Concentrations

Citrate buffer	pH 4.2	30 mmol/L
Bromocresol green		0.26 mmol/L

Storage and Stability

Reagent is stable up to the date of expiry indicated on the kit, if stored at 2 - 25°C and contamination is avoided. Do not freeze and protect from light.

The in-use stability of the reagent is 18 months.

Warnings and Precautions

- In very rare cases, samples of patients with gammopathy might give falsified results [3].
- 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.

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 [4]:

10 weeks	at	20 – 25°C
5 months	at	4 – 8°C
3 months	at	-20°C

Only freeze once. Discard contaminated specimens.

Assay Procedure

Basic settings for BioMajesty® JCA-BM6010/C

Wavelength	596/694 nm
Temperature	37°C
Measurement	Endpoint
Sample/Calibrator	1.0 µL
Reagent	90 µL
Addition reagent	Cycle 19 (286 s)
Absorbance	Cycle 7/9 (95 s/122 s)
Calibration	Linear

Calculation

With calibrator

$$\text{Albumin [g/dL]} = \frac{A_{\text{Sample}}}{A_{\text{Cal.}}} \times \text{Conc. Cal. [g/dL]}$$

Conversion Factor

$$\text{Albumin [g/dL]} \times 144.9 = \text{Albumin [µmol/L]}$$

Calibrators and Controls

DiaSys TruCal U is recommended for calibration. Calibrator values have been made traceable to the reference material ERM-DA470. Albumin Standard FS may be used alternatively for calibration. Use DiaSys TruLab N and P for internal quality control. 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 U	5 9100 99 10 063	20 x 3 mL
	5 9100 99 10 064	6 x 3 mL
TruLab N	5 9000 99 10 062	20 x 5 mL
	5 9000 99 10 061	6 x 5 mL
TruLab P	5 9050 99 10 062	20 x 5 mL
	5 9050 99 10 061	6 x 5 mL
Albumin Standard FS	1 0200 99 10 030	6 x 3 mL

Performance Characteristics

Data evaluated on BioMajesty® JCA-BM6010/C

Exemplary data mentioned below may slightly differ in case of deviating measurement conditions.

Measuring range up to 6 g/dL. When values exceed this range samples should be diluted 1 + 1 with NaCl solution (9 g/L) and the result multiplied by 2.	
Limit of detection**	0.1 g/dL
Interfering substance	Interferences ≤ 10% up to
Ascorbic acid	30 mg/dL
Bilirubin (conjugated and unconjugated)	60 mg/dL
Hemoglobin	300 mg/dL
Lipemia (triglycerides)	1200 mg/dL
For further information on interfering substances, refer to the literature [5-7].	

Precision			
Within run (n=20)	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Mean [g/dL]	3.26	4.03	4.48
CV [%]	1.00	0.63	1.02
Between day (n=20)	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Mean [g/dL]	3.96	4.53	2.46
CV [%]	0.73	0.98	1.42
Method comparison (n=100)			
Test x	Competitor Albumin		
Test y	DiaSys Albumin FS		
Slope	0.987		
Intercept	0.168 g/dL		
Coefficient of correlation	0.997		

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

Reference Range [8]

Adults: 3.5 – 5.2 g/dL 507 – 756 µmol/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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