

For Forensic Use Only

One Step Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG)

Test Dip Card

Package Insert

Package insert for testing of any combination of the following drugs: Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG), Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) and drug metabolites in human urine.

INTENDED USE & SUMMARY

Based tests for multiple drugs of abuse range from simple immunoassay tests to complex analytical procedures. The speed and sensitivity of immunoassays have made them the most widely accepted method for testing urine for multiple drugs of abuse.

The One Step Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) Test Dip Card is a lateral flow chromatographic immunoassay for qualitative detection of multiple drugs and drug metabolites in urine at the following cut-off concentrations in urine:¹

Test	Calibrator	Cut-off (ng/mL)
Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG)	Ethyl Glucuronide	500

This test will detect other related compounds, please refer to the Analytical Specificity table in this package insert.

This assay provides only a preliminary analytical test result. A more specific alternate chemical method must be used in order to obtain a confirmed analytical result. Gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) is the preferred confirmatory method. Clinical consideration and professional judgment should be applied to any drug of abuse test result, particularly when preliminary positive results are used.

SUMMARY

Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) is a direct metabolite of ethanol alcohol. The presence of EtG in the urine can be used to detect recent alcohol consumption, even after the ethanol alcohol is no longer measurable. Consequently, the presence of EtG in the urine is a definitive indicator that alcohol has been ingested. Most clinical laboratory practices typically measure the amount of alcohol present in the body. Depending on the amount of alcohol that has been consumed, this method usually reveals alcohol ingestion within the past 24 hours.

The presence of EtG in the urine, on the other hand, demonstrates that ethanol alcohol was ingested within the last three or four days, or roughly 80 hours after the ethanol alcohol has been metabolized by the body. As a result, it can be determined that a urine alcohol test employing EtG is a more accurate indicator of recent consumption of alcohol as opposed to simply measuring for the existence of ethanol alcohol.

The One Step Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) Test Dip Card yields a positive result when the Ethyl Glucuronide in urine exceeds 500ng/mL.

REAGENTS

The Test Strip contains mouse monoclonal antibody-coupled particles and corresponding protein conjugates. A goat antibody is employed in each control line.

PRECAUTIONS

For forensic use only. Do not use after the expiration date.

The Test Strip should remain in the sealed pouch until use. All specimens must be considered potentially hazardous and handled in the same manner as an infectious agent.

The used Test Strip should be discarded according to local regulations.

STORAGE AND STABILITY

As packaged in the sealed pouch either at room temperature or refrigerated (2-30°C). The Test Strip is stable through the expiration date printed on the sealed pouch. The Test Strip must remain in the sealed pouch until use. DO NOT FREEZE. Do not use beyond the expiration date.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND PREPARATION

Urine Assay

Urine specimen must be collected in a clean and dry container. Urine collected at any time of the day can be used. Urine specimens exhibiting visible precipitates should be centrifuged, filtered, or allowed to settle to obtain a clear supernatant for testing.

Specimen Storage

Urine specimens may be stored at 2-8°C for up to 48 hours prior to testing. For prolonged storage, specimens may be frozen and stored below -20°C. Frozen specimens should be thawed and mixed well before testing.

MATERIALS

Materials Provided

Test panels

- Package insert

Materials Required But Not Provided

Specimen collection container

- Timer

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Remove the test device, and urine specimen to come to room temperature [15-30°C (59-86°F)] prior to testing.

Remove the test device from the foil pouch.

Remove the cap from the test device. Label the device with patient or control identifications.

Immerse the absorbent tip into the urine sample for 10-15 seconds. Urine sample should not touch the

plastic device.

4) Replace the cap over the absorbent tip and lay the device flatly on a non-absorptive clean surface.

5) Read results at 5 minutes.

DO NOT INTERPRET RESULT AFTER 5 MINUTES.



C T NEGATIVE

C T POSITIVE

C T INVALID

INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

(Please refer to the illustration above)

NEGATIVE: Two lines appear. One red line should be in the control region (C), and another apparent red or pink line adjacent should be in the test region (Drug/T). This negative result indicates that the drug concentration is below the detectable level.

*NOTE: The shade of red in the test line region (Drug/T) will vary, but it should be considered negative whenever there is even a faint pink line.

POSITIVE: One red line appears in the control region (C). No line appears in the test region (Drug/T). This positive result indicates that the drug concentration is above the detectable level.

INVALID: Control line fails to appear. Insufficient specimen volume or incorrect procedural techniques are the most likely reasons for control line failure. Review the procedure and repeat the test using a new test panel. If the problem persists, discontinue using the lot immediately and contact your manufacturer.

QUALITY CONTROL

A procedural control is included in the test. A colored line appearing in the control line region (C) is considered an internal procedural control. It confirms sufficient specimen volume, adequate membrane wicking and correct procedural technique.

Control standards are not supplied with this kit. However, it is recommended that positive and negative controls be tested as good laboratory practice to confirm the test procedure and to verify proper test performance.

LIMITATIONS

- The One Step Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) Test Dip Card provides only a qualitative, preliminary analytical result. A secondary analytical method must be used to obtain a confirmed result. Gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) is the preferred confirmatory method.
- There is a possibility that technical or procedural errors, as well as other interfering substances in the urine specimen may cause erroneous results.
- Adulterants, such as bleach and/or alum, in urine specimens may produce erroneous results regardless of the analytical method used. If adulteration is suspected, the test should be repeated with another urine specimen.
- A positive result does not indicate level or intoxication, administration route or concentration in urine.
- A negative result may not necessarily indicate drug-free urine. Negative results can be obtained when drug is present but below the cut-off level of the test.
- The test does not distinguish between drugs of abuse and certain medications.
- A positive result might be obtained from certain foods or food supplements.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Reproducibility

Reproducibility studies were carried out using commercially available stock solutions of the drug analytes listed. Dilutions were made from the stock solution of each drug to the concentrations specified in the following tables. The results are listed in the following tables.

Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG)

Ethyl Glucuronide conc. (ng/mL)	Total number of Determinations	Result	Precision
Drug-free Urine	40	40 negative	>99%
250	40	40 negative	>99%
750	40	40 positive	>99%
1,000	40	40 positive	>99%

Analytical Sensitivity

A drug-free urine pool was spiked with drugs to the concentrations at ± 50% cut-off and ± 25% cut-off. The results are summarized below.

Drug Conc. (Cut-off range)	n	EtG	
		-	+
0% Cut-off	90	90	0
-50% Cut-off	90	90	0
-25% Cut-off	90	85	5

Cut-off	90	44	46
+25% Cut-off	90	3	87
+50% Cut-off	90	0	90
2X Cut-off	90	0	90

Analytical Specificity

The following table lists the concentration of compounds (ng/mL) that were detected positive in urine by the One Step Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) Test Dip Card at a read time of 5 minutes.

Drug	Concentration (ng/ml)
ETHYL GLUCURONIDE (EtG)	
Ethyl-D-glucuronide	500
Ethyl-β-D-glucuronide-D5	500

Effect of Urinary Specific Gravity

Fifteen (15) urine samples of normal, high, and low specific gravity ranges (1.005, 1.015, 1.030) were spiked with drugs at 50% below and 50% above cut-off levels respectively. The One Step Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) Test Dip Card was tested in duplicate using ten drug-free urine and spiked urine samples. The results demonstrate that varying ranges of urinary specific gravity do not affect the test results.

Effect of Urinary pH

The pH of an aliquoted negative urine pool was adjusted to pH ranges of 4.0, 4.5, 5.0, 6.0 and 9.0, and spiked with drugs at 50% below and 50% above cut-off levels. The spiked, pH-adjusted urine was tested with the One Step Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) Test Dip Card. The results demonstrate that varying ranges of pH do not interfere with the performance of the test.

Cross-Reactivity

A study was conducted to determine the cross-reactivity of the test with compounds in either drug-free urine or Ethyl Glucuronide, positive urine. The following compounds show no cross-reactivity when tested with the One Step Ethyl Glucuronide (EtG) Test Dip Card at a concentration of 100 µg/mL.

Non Cross-Reacting Compounds

Acetophenetidin	l-Cotinine	Cortisone	d-Pseudoephedrine
N-Acetylprocainamide	Creatinine	Ketoprofen	Quinidine
Acetylsalicylic acid	Deoxytocorticosterone	Labetalol	Quinine
Aminopyrine	Dextromethorphan	Loperamide	Salicylic acid
Amoxicillin	Diclofenac	Meprobamate	Serotonin
Ampicillin	Diffunisal	Methoxyphenamine	Sulfamethazine
l-Ascorbic acid	Digoxin	Methylphenidate	Sulindac
Apomorphine	Diphenhydramine	Nalidixic acid	Tetracycline
Aspartame	Ethyl-p-aminobenzoate	Naproxen	Tetrahydrocortisone,
Atropine	β-Estradiol	Niacinamide	3-Acetate
Benzilic acid	Estrone-3-sulfate	Nifedipine	Tetrahydrocortisone
Benzoic acid	Erythromycin	Norethindrone	Tetrahydrozoline
Bilirubin	Fenoprofen	Noscapine	Thiamine
d,l-Brompheniramine	Furosemide	d,l-Octopamine	Thioridazine
Caffeine	Gentisic acid	Oxalic acid	d,l-Tyrosine
Cannabidiol	Hemoglobin	Oxolinic acid	Tolbutamide
Chloralhydrate	Hydralazine	Oxymetazoline	Triamterene
Chloramphenicol	Hydrochlorothiazide	Papaverine	Trifluoperazine
Chlorothiazide	Hydrocortisone	Penicillin-G	Trimethoprim
d,l-Chlorpheniramine	o-Hydroxyhippuric acid	Perphenazine	d,l-Tryptophan
Chlorpromazine	3-Hydroxytyramine	Phenelzine	Uric acid
Cholesterol	d,l-Isoproterenol	Prednisone	Verapamil
Clonidine	Isosuprine	d,l-Propandelol	Zomepirac

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