Canine CRP



Gentian Canine CRP Reagent Kit

REF 1501

For in vitro diagnostic use by laboratory professionals.

This document describes the general use of the product above. For instrument specific settings, please refer to the application notes available upon request to marketing@gentian.com.

Intended purpose

The Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay is an in vitro diagnostic test for quantitative determination of canine CRP in dog serum and plasma. The measurement of canine CRP is used to detect and monitor inflammation activity in dogs.

Summary and explanation of test

C-reactive protein is an acute phase protein produced in the liver hepatocytes as response to inflammatory stimuli [1, 2]. Increased production of canine CRP can be detected 4-6 hours after induction with a peak concentration within 24-48 hours. After elimination of the inflammation, CRP levels rapidly decrease due to the short the half-life of CRP [1, 2].

Calibrator standardisation

No international standard is available for canine CRP. Gentian Canine CRP Calibrator values are established based on internal canine CRP reference material.

Assay principle

The Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay is a particle-enhanced turbidimetric immunoassay (PETIA). The canine plasma or serum sample is mixed with Canine CRP Immunoparticles. Canine CRP from the sample and the anti-CRP antibodies from the immunoparticles solution bind to form aggregates that increase the turbidity of the solution. The degree of turbidity is proportional to the concentration of CRP, which can be quantified via an established standard calibration curve.

Assay kit components

Products provided					
Gentian Canine CRP Reagent Kit	REF 1501				
R1 Assay Buffer (45 mL)					
 R2 Immunoparticles (10.5 mL) 					
Products required, but not provided					
Gentian Canine CRP Calibrator Kit (6 levels x 0.5 mL)	REF 1551				

All products are ready for use.

Composition

Reaction Buffer 1 (R1): Canine CRP Assay Buffer. R1 is a MOPS [3-(N-Morpholino)-propane sulfonic acid] buffered saline, containing avian proteins and preserved with ProClin® 950.

Reaction Buffer 2 (R2): Canine CRP Immunoparticles. R2 contains a purified immunoglobulin fraction directed against canine CRP, which is covalently attached to polystyrene nanoparticles. The solution is preserved with ProClin® 950.

Hazards identification



GHS07

Hazard pictograms (CLP):

Signal word (CLP): Warning

Contains: 2-methylisothiazol-3(2H)-one

Hazard statements (CLP):

H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Precautionary statements (CLP):

P280 - Wear eye protection, protective gloves, protective clothing. P302+P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. P305+P351+P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

P337+P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention. P333+P313 - If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

P362+P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

SDS (safety data sheet) are available on www.gentian.com.

Warnings and precautions

- Contains substances from animal origin and should be considered as potentially infectious material. Handle with caution and discard following local regulations.
- Use protection googles, lab coat and gloves for personal protection.
- Reagents (R1) containing MOPS/Tween can be irritating to eyes, respiratory tract and skin. Handle with due caution and do not ingest.
- R1 contains avian proteins. Handle with due caution to avoid allergic skin reaction.

Additional handling instructions

- This test is for in vitro use only and must be handled by qualified personnel.
- 2. Use only validated and approved instrument applications.
- 3. Do not use products after the expiration date has passed.
- Do not mix reagents of different lots or interchange caps of reagents, controls, calibrators, and lots.
- Tighten caps carefully back on after use of reagents, calibrators, and controls to avoid evaporation.

Reagent storage and stability

All products provided for the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay must be stored at 2-8°C. The expiry date is printed on the labels. Using an Architect c4000 instrument (Abbott), the in-use stability of the Gentian Canine CRP Reagents was found to be at least 8 weeks performed as an on board study based on the CLSI guideline EP25 [3].

Specimen collection and handling

Recommended sample material is canine heparinized plasma or canine EDTA plasma, or canine serum. It is recommended to analyse the samples as fresh as possible. Sample stability testing using an Architect



c4000 instrument (Abbott) showed that canine CRP was stable for 14 days at 4-22°C [4]. Mix samples well before analysing. The samples can be shipped without special cooling and must then be analysed within 14 days after shipment. Samples have been tested and shown to withstand up to 4 freeze and thaw cycles [4].

Performance characteristics

The results refer to the main validation of the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay on an Architect c4000 instrument (Abbott) at one instrument site with one lot of reagents, unless otherwise stated. For the instrument specific performance characteristics, please refer to the instrument specific application notes.

Measuring range

The measuring range of the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay is approximately 10-300 mg/L, with a security zone of up to 1000 mg/L. The exact measuring range is calibrator- and instrument-specific, please refer to the analytical value sheet for the lot specific calibrator values (available on www.gentian.com) and the instrument specific application notes.

Analytical sensitivity

The analysis of the analytical sensitivity of the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay was tested in a study based on the CLSI guideline EP17 [5] including 4 samples run in 12 replicates over 3 days. The limit of quantification (LoQ) is defined as the lowest concentration of an analyte that can be reliably detected and at which the total error meets the requirements for accuracy. The LoQ was measured as 5 mg/L on an Abbott Architect c4000 instrument. For the instrument specific LoQ, please refer to the instrument specific application notes.

Precision

The total precision of the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay was measured with a CV of <5% in a study based on the CLSI guideline EP5 [6]. For the instrument specific total precision, please refer to the instrument specific application notes.

Analytical specificity and limitations

No interference is detected for this product with haemoglobin, intralipid, or bilirubin at the tested concentrations in a study based on the CLSI guideline EP07 [7]. For the instrument specific interference, please refer to the instrument specific application notes. There is no interference detected with the drugs tested on the recommendations from Sonntag and Scholer [8]. As the antibodies in the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay are of avian origin, there is no interference due to Rheumatoid Factor in the samples [9].

Method comparison

Results obtained with the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay on the Architect c4000 instrument (Abbott) and on the AU400 instrument (Beckman Coulter) were compared using Passing-Bablok regression with results from Randox (canine) CRP assay on the Architect c4000 instrument (Abbott) in a study based on the CLSI guideline EP09 [10].

n	Range of samples [mg/L]	Term	Co- efficient	95% CI			
Architect c4000							
45	26 - 439	Intercept	7.79	[5.81, 12.43]			
		Slope	0.91	[0.87, 0.94]			
AU400							
31	16 - 209	Intercept	-5.11	[-11.24, -0.32]			
		Slope	1.22	[1.17, 1.30]			

Instrument variation

Results obtained with the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay on Architect c4000* instrument were compared using Passing-Bablok regression with results from using the AU400 instrument (Beckman Coulter) in a study based on the CLSI guideline EP09 [10].

n	Range of samples [mg/L]	Term	Co- efficient	95% CI
33	16 - 254	Intercept Slope	0.56 1.05	[-0.72, 0.94] [1.04, 1.06]

Assay procedure

Application notes

Applications of the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay have been established on several clinical chemistry analysers. Detailed, validated application notes describing the procedures for installation and analysis on specific instruments are available upon request from marketing@gentian.com. For instructions on how to install a new application, consult the instrument manual. Maintenance, operation and precautions must be handled in accordance with the specific instrument manual.

Reagent preparation

The reagents are ready for use. Mix the reagents gently before placing them into the assigned reagent positions. The reagent bottles may fit directly into the instrument unless otherwise stated in the application notes.

Establishment of the calibration curve

Please refer to the instruction for use of the Gentian Canine CRP Calibrator Kit available on www.gentian.com.

QC controls

Please refer to the instruction for use of the Gentian Canine CRP Control Kit available on www.gentian.com.

Measuring patient samples

When a valid calibration curve has been established and the control values are within the valid range, the plasma or serum sample may be measured. Ensure that the minimum sample volume is present in the sample cups/tubes and assay the samples according to the instructions given in the instrument manual.

Results

The results are calculated automatically by the instrument for all applications established for the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay. The results are presented in mg/L.

Clinical decision limits

The diagnostic specificity of canine CRP can be enhanced without seriously impairing diagnostic sensitivity by using a cut-off limit somewhat above the normal range [11]. Each laboratory should establish its own cut-off.

Reference intervals

Healthy dogs typically have CRP concentrations <10 mg/L with the Gentian Canine CRP Immunoassay. It is recommended that each laboratory determines a local reference interval as values may vary depending on the population tested.



Symbols Key

2°C - 8°C

Temperature Limit



Use by date



Consult Instructions for Use



Manufacturer



Veterinary use



Lot number



Catalogue number

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Serious incidents

Please notify your manufacturer and competent authority if any serious incidents have occurred in relation to the device.

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- Included CLSI references
- Minor editorial changes and corrections throughout the document

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