

Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG™

Rapid Diagnostic Test for the Detection of

SARS-CoV-2 IgM/IgG Ab

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For use under Emergency Use Authorization only
For *in vitro* diagnostic use only
For prescription use only
CLIA complexity: MODERATE and HIGH

Package Insert

(Instructions for Use)

Intended Use

Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG™ is an immunochromatographic lateral flow assay intended for the qualitative detection and differentiation of Immunoglobulin M (IgM) and Immunoglobulin G (IgG) antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 in human serum, plasma (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA), and venous whole blood (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA). Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG is intended for use as an aid in identifying individuals with an adaptive immune response to SARS-CoV-2, indicating recent or prior infection. At this time, it is unknown for how long antibodies persist following infection and if the presence of antibodies confers protective immunity. Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG should not be used to diagnose acute SARS-CoV-2 infection. This testing is limited to laboratories certified under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA), 42 U.S.C. §263a, that meet requirements to perform moderate or high complexity tests.

Results are for the detection of SARS-CoV-2 antibodies. IgM and IgG antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 are generally detectable in blood several days after initial infection, although the duration of time antibodies are present post-infection is not well characterized. Individuals may have detectable virus present for several weeks following seroconversion.

Laboratories within the United States and its territories are required to report all positive results to the appropriate public health authorities.

The sensitivity of Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG early after infection is unknown. Negative results do not preclude acute SARS-CoV-2 infection. If acute infection is suspected, direct testing for SARS-CoV-2 is necessary.

False positive results for Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG may occur due to cross-reactivity from pre-existing antibodies or other possible causes. Due to the risk of false positive results, confirmation of positive results should be considered using a second, different SARS-CoV-2 IgG or IgM assay.

Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG is only for use under the Food and Drug Administration's Emergency Use Authorization.

Summary and Explanation of the Test

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. This antibody test is intended for use as an aid in identifying individuals with an adaptive immune response to SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, indicating recent or prior infection, by detecting antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 in human blood specimens. Although not everyone who is infected will develop an antibody response, appropriately validated serology tests, when used broadly, can be useful in understanding how many people have developed an adaptive immune response to the virus and how far the pandemic has progressed. At this time, it is unknown for how long antibodies persist following infection and if the presence of antibodies confers protective immunity.

Principles of the Test

Easy Check is an immunochromatographic assay for the detection and differentiation of SARS-CoV-2 IgM and/or IgG antibodies in human blood specimens. Control antibody, anti-human IgG, and streptavidin (test line for IgM) are immobilized onto a nitrocellulose membrane to form three distinct lines, the control line, the IgG test line, and the IgM test line. The nitrocellulose membrane is attached onto a plastic backing card and combined with the other reagents and pads to construct a test strip. The test strip is encased inside a plastic device. Blood samples, including human serum, plasma (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA), and venous whole blood (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA), are added to the sample well of the test device to initiate a test. The sample specimens migrate sequentially through filter pad, conjugate pad, nitrocellulose membrane, and absorbent pad. SARS-CoV-2 antibodies in sample specimens interact with the recombinant SARS-CoV-2 antigen (SARS-CoV-2 nucleocapsid and spike protein S1 RBD) that is conjugated to colloidal gold nanobeads and biotin-conjugated anti-human antibodies to form an immune complex while it migrates through the conjugate pad. IgM antibodies react with the gold-conjugated SARS-CoV-2 antigen and biotin-conjugated anti-human IgM. IgG antibodies only react with the gold-conjugated SARS-CoV-2 antigen. The immune complexes migrate through the nitrocellulose membrane and bind to each respective test line. The IgM immune complexes bind to the streptavidin region (IgM test line, "M") on the membrane to generate a purple-colored line to indicate a positive IgM result. The IgG immune complexes bind to the anti-human IgG region (IgG test line, "G") on the membrane to generate a purple-colored line to indicate a positive IgG result. The gold-conjugated chicken IgY migrates through the membrane and binds to the control antibody (anti-chicken IgY) in the control region to generate a red-colored line (control line, "C"). The test results should be interpreted 10 minutes after addition of buffer to the sample well. The test results should not be interpreted after 15 minutes. The color intensity in the test region will vary. Any faint colored line(s) in the test region(s) should be considered as positive.

The presence of two lines marked by "C" and "G" indicates a SARS-CoV-2 IgG positive result. The presence of two lines marked by "C" and "M", indicates a SARS-CoV-2 IgM positive result. The presence of three lines "C", "G", and "M", indicates positive results for both SARS-CoV-2 IgG and IgM. The appearance of only the control line "C" indicates negative. If the control line does not appear, regardless of the presence of "G" or "M" test lines, the test result is not valid. With an invalid result, it is recommended to repeat the test using a new, unopened device following the instructions.

Reagents and Materials Provided

Contents Name	Quantity (in a kit)	Description
Test device	25 each	Foil pouched test device containing one test strip which is encased on plastic device cassette.
Assay buffer bottle	1 each	Na ₂ CO ₃ , < 0.1% sodium azide as a preservative.
Blood transfer pipette	25 each	For blood transfer.
Package insert	1 each	Instructions for use

*Materials not supplied

- 20 µl micropipette
- Timer
- pair of gloves
- External positive and negative controls (available for purchase separately)

Warnings and Precautions

- For prescription and *in vitro* diagnostic use only. For Use under an Emergency Use Authorization Only.
- This test has not been FDA cleared or approved; the test has been authorized by FDA under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for use by laboratories certified under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA), 42 U.S.C. §263a, that meet requirements to perform moderate or high complexity tests.
- This test has been authorized only for the presence of IgM and IgG antibodies against SARS-CoV-2, not for any other viruses or pathogens.
- This test is only authorized for the duration of the declaration that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of emergency use of *in vitro* diagnostic tests for detection and/or diagnosis of COVID-19 under Section 564(b)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, 21 U.S.C. § 360bbb-3(b)(1), unless the authorization is terminated or revoked sooner.
- As with all diagnostic tests, all results must be interpreted together with other clinical information available to the physician.
- Immediately use after opening the test device in the pouch.
- Immediately add the assay buffer to the test device after the specimen is applied.
- In order to obtain accurate results, the test must follow this package insert.
- Do not interpret the test result before 10 minutes and after 15 minutes following the addition of buffer to the sample well.
- Do not use if the test device package is damaged.
- Do not use the kit contents beyond the expiration date.
- Do not eat, drink, or smoke in the area where the specimens and kit contents are handled.
- Use appropriate precautions in the collection, handling, storage, and disposal of patient samples and used kit contents.
- Dispose of used contents as biohazardous wastes in accordance with federal, state, and local requirements.
- Nitrile or latex gloves should be worn when performing this test.
- If the assay buffer contacts the skin or eye, flush with copious amounts of water.
- Handle all specimens as though they contain infectious agents.
- Adding additional blood sample volume to the sample well may cause false positive or invalid results.
- Observe established precautions against microbiological hazards throughout the procedure and follow the standard procedures for proper disposal of specimens.

Reagents contain sodium azide, which is harmful if inhaled, swallowed, or exposed to skin. Contact with acids produces a very toxic gas. If there is contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Sodium azide may react with lead and copper plumbing to form highly explosive metal azides. On disposal, flush with a large volume of water to prevent azide build-up.

- Do not interchange kit contents from different lots.
- Do not re-use any contents in the kit (e.g., blood transfer pipette, test cassette) as they are single-use only.

Storage and Stability

- Store the test kit as packaged between 1 ~ 30°C.
- The reagents and materials in the Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG are stable until the expiration date printed on the outer packaging. Do not use beyond the expiration date.
- The test device must remain in the sealed pouch until use.
- Do not freeze any contents of the kit.

Quality Control

Internal Quality Control:

Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG contains a built-in internal procedural control in the test device. A red-colored line appearing in the control region "C" is designed as an internal procedural control. The appearance of the procedural control line indicates that sufficient flow has occurred, and the functional integrity of the test device has been maintained. If the procedural control line does not develop in 10 minutes, the test result is considered invalid and retesting with a new device is recommended. If the internal procedural control line is still absent in the retest, please contact the manufacturer or distributor.

External Control:

It is recommended to follow the laboratory regulations or quality control procedures to perform external controls in Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG. Controls are available through Access Bio under catalog number: # SCLM-02571 or SCLM-10071.

NOTE: The external controls are available for separate purchase.

- Positive External Control: Mixture of human chimeric SARS-CoV-2 IgM and IgG spike S1 antibodies in heat inactivated SARS-CoV-2 antibody negative confirmed serum.
- Negative External control: Heat inactivated SARS-CoV-2 antibody negative confirmed serum.

Specimen Type

Acceptable specimen types for testing with the Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG test are human serum, plasma (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA), and venous whole blood (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA). Proper specimen collection methods must be followed. Inadequate specimen collection and/or improper specimen handling may yield false results; therefore, specimen collection requires specific training and guidance due to the importance of specimen quality to obtain accurate test results.

Specimen Collection and Handling Procedures

Procedural Notes

- Collect the specimen wearing safety gloves to avoid contact and contamination.

Venous Whole Blood:

Draw venous whole blood following the general laboratory procedures by a trained operator. Collect the blood sample in a commercially available blood collection tube containing anticoagulants including sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA. Swirl the tube gently as needed.

Serum:

Collect venous whole blood into a container NOT containing anticoagulants. Wait for the blood clot and separate the serum by centrifugation.

Plasma:

Collect venous whole blood into a container containing anticoagulants (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA). Separate the plasma by centrifugation.

- Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG can be performed using human serum, plasma (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA), and venous whole blood (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA).
- Separate serum or plasma from blood as soon as possible to avoid hemolysis. Use only clear, non-hemolyzed specimens.
- Testing should be performed immediately after specimen collection. Do not leave the serum and plasma specimens at room temperature beyond 8 hours. Serum and plasma specimens may be stored at 2-8°C for up to 48 hours. For long term storage, serum and plasma specimens should be kept below -20°C for up to one month. It is recommended to test whole blood specimens immediately after blood collection.
- Bring specimens to room temperature prior to testing. Frozen specimens must be completely thawed and mixed well prior to testing. Specimens cannot be frozen and thawed more than once.
- If specimens are to be shipped, they should be packed in compliance with local regulations covering the transportation of etiologic agents.

Test Procedures

Procedural Notes

- Allow test devices, reagents, and specimens to equilibrate up to room temperature (15~30°C) prior to testing.
- Remove the Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG test device from its foil pouch immediately before testing.
- The Easy Check COVID-19 IgM/IgG kit IS AUTHORIZED to be used only with human serum, plasma (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA), and venous whole blood (sodium citrate, sodium heparin, or dipotassium EDTA) specimens.
- Use only provided blood transfer pipette or micropipette for sample loading to the test device.

Description of Symbols



In vitro diagnostic medical device
Indicates a medical device that is intended to be used as an *in vitro* diagnostic medical device.



Consult instructions for use
Indicates the need for the user to consult the instructions for use.



Manufacturer
Indicates the medical device manufacturer.



Batchcode
Indicates the manufacturer's batch code so that the batch or lot can be identified.



Do not re-use
Indicates a medical device that is intended for one use, or uses on a single patient during a single procedure.



Use by date
Indicates the date after which the medical device is not to be used.



Prescription-only



Catalog number
Indicates the manufacturer's catalog number so that the medical device can be identified.



Caution
Indicates the need for the user to consult the instructions for use for important cautionary information such as warnings and precautions that cannot, for a variety of reasons, be presented on the medical device itself.



Date of manufacture
Indicates the date when the medical device was manufactured.



Temperature limit
Indicates the temperature limits to which the medical device can be safely exposed.



Do not use if the package is damaged
Indicates a medical device that should not be used if the package has been damaged or opened.



Contains sufficient for <n> tests
Indicates the total number of IVD tests that can be performed with the IVD.



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