

Phenobarbital**Order information**

| REF | CONTENT | Analyzer(s) on which cobas c pack(s) can be used |
|--------------|---|---|
| 04490924 190 | ONLINE TDM Phenobarbital (100 Tests) | System-ID 07 6915 0 Roche/Hitachi cobas c 311, cobas c 501/502 |
| 05027446 190 | ONLINE TDM Phenobarbital (200 Tests) | System-ID 07 6915 0 |
| 03375790 190 | Preciset TDM I calibrators 1) CAL A-F (1 x 5 mL) 2) Diluent (1 x 10 mL) | System-ID 07 6830 8 Codes 691-696 |
| 04521536 190 | TDM Control Set 1) Level I (2 x 5 mL) 2) Level II (2 x 5 mL) 3) Level III (2 x 5 mL) | Code 310 Code 311 Code 312 |

English**System information**For **cobas c** 311/501 analyzers:**PHNO2:** ACN 508For **cobas c** 502 analyzer:**PHNO2:** ACN 8508**Intended use**In vitro test for the quantitative determination of phenobarbital in serum and plasma on Roche/Hitachi **cobas c** systems.**Summary**

Phenobarbital is one of the most commonly used drugs for the treatment of grand mal, psychomotor epilepsy, and other forms of focal epilepsy. Monitoring of the serum level of the drug is essential in order to achieve maximal seizure control while maintaining minimal blood levels to avoid negative side effects.^{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9} As with other anti-convulsant drugs, it is imperative that each patient's dosage be individualized.¹⁰

Test principle

The assay is based on the kinetic interaction of microparticles in a solution (KIMS). Phenobarbital antibody is covalently coupled to microparticles and the drug derivative is linked to a macromolecule. The kinetic interaction of microparticles in solutions is induced by binding of drug-conjugate to the antibody on the microparticles and is inhibited by the presence of phenobarbital in the sample. A competitive reaction takes place between the drug conjugate and phenobarbital in the serum sample for binding to the phenobarbital antibody on the microparticles. The resulting kinetic interaction of microparticles is indirectly proportional to the amount of drug present in the sample.

Reagents - working solutions

- R1** Phenobarbital conjugate; piperazine-N,N'-bis (ethanesulfonic acid) (PIPES) buffer, pH 7.85; preservative; stabilizer
- R2** Anti-phenobarbital antibody (mouse monoclonal); latex microparticle; 3-(N-morpholino) propane sulfonic acid (MOPS) buffer, pH 7.4; stabilizer; preservative

R1 is in position B and R2 is in position C.

Precautions and warnings

For in vitro diagnostic use.

Exercise the normal precautions required for handling all laboratory reagents.

Disposal of all waste material should be in accordance with local guidelines. Safety data sheet available for professional user on request.

For USA: For prescription use only.

Warning: This reagent contains phenobarbital, a substance known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive harm.

Reagent handling

Ready for use

Carefully invert reagent container several times prior to use to ensure that the reagent components are mixed.

Storage and stability

Shelf life at 2-8 °C:

See expiration date on **cobas c** pack label

On-board in use and refrigerated on the analyzer: 90 days

Do not freeze.**Specimen collection and preparation**

For specimen collection and preparation only use suitable tubes or collection containers.

Only the specimens listed below were tested and found acceptable.

Serum: Collect serum using standard sampling tubes.

Plasma: K₂- or K₃-EDTA, lithium or sodium heparin.Stability: 7 days capped at 25 °C or 2-8 °C
1 year capped at -20 °C¹¹

The sample types listed were tested with a selection of sample collection tubes that were commercially available at the time of testing, i.e. not all available tubes of all manufacturers were tested. Sample collection systems from various manufacturers may contain differing materials which could affect the test results in some cases. When processing samples in primary tubes (sample collection systems), follow the instructions of the tube manufacturer.

Centrifuge samples containing precipitates before performing the assay.

Do not induce foaming of specimens.

Invert thawed specimens several times prior to testing.

Materials provided

See "Reagents – working solutions" section for reagents.

Materials required (but not provided)

See "Order information" section

General laboratory equipment

Assay

For optimum performance of the assay follow the directions given in this document for the analyzer concerned. Refer to the appropriate operator's manual for analyzer-specific assay instructions.

The performance of applications not validated by Roche is not warranted and must be defined by the user.

Application for serum and plasma

Deselect Automatic Rerun for these applications in the Utility menu, Application screen, Range tab.

cobas c 311 test definition

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| Assay type | 2-Point end | | |
| Reaction time /Assay points: | 10 / 10-49 | | |
| Wavelength (sub/main) | 800 /600 nm | | |
| Reaction direction | Increase | | |
| Unit | µg/mL | | |
| Reagent pipetting | | Diluent (H ₂ O) | |
| R1 | 93 µL | – | |
| R2 | 93 µL | – | |
| <i>Sample volumes</i> | <i>Sample</i> | <i>Sample dilution</i> | |

| | | Sample | Diluent (NaCl) |
|-----------|--------|--------|----------------|
| Normal | 2.0 µL | – | – |
| Decreased | 2.0 µL | – | – |
| Increased | 2.0 µL | – | – |

cobas c 501/502 test definition

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Assay type | 2-Point end | | |
| Reaction time /Assay points: | 10 / 16-60 | | |
| Wavelength (sub/main) | 800 /600 nm | | |
| Reaction direction | Increase | | |
| Unit | µg/mL | | |
| Reagent pipetting | Diluent (H ₂ O) | | |
| R1 | 93 µL | – | – |
| R2 | 93 µL | – | – |
| Sample volumes | Sample | Sample dilution | |
| | | Sample | Diluent (NaCl) |
| Normal | 2.0 µL | – | – |
| Decreased | 2.0 µL | – | – |
| Increased | 2.0 µL | – | – |

Calibration

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| Calibrators | S1-6 Preciset TDM I calibrators |
| Calibration mode | RCM |
| Calibration frequency | 6-point calibration - after reagent lot change - every 6 weeks - as required following quality control procedures |

Traceability: This method has been standardized against USP reference standards. The calibrators are prepared to contain known quantities of phenobarbital in normal human serum.

Quality control

For quality control, use control materials as listed in the "Order information" section. In addition, other suitable control material can be used.

The control intervals and limits should be adapted to each laboratory's individual requirements. Values obtained should fall within the defined limits. Each laboratory should establish corrective measures to be taken if values fall outside the defined limits.

Follow the applicable government regulations and local guidelines for quality control.

Calculation

Roche/Hitachi **cobas c** systems automatically calculate the analyte concentration of each sample.

Conversion factor:¹¹ µg/mL x 4.31 = µmol/L

Limitations - interference

Criterion: Recovery within ± 10 % of initial value at phenobarbital levels of approximately 15 and 40 µg/mL (65 and 172 µmol/L).

Serum/Plasma

Icterus:¹² No significant interference up to an I index of 60 for conjugated and unconjugated bilirubin (approximate conjugated and unconjugated bilirubin concentration: 1026 µmol/L or 60 mg/dL).

Hemolysis:¹² No significant interference up to an H index of 1000 (approximate hemoglobin concentration: 621 µmol/L or 1000 mg/dL).

Lipemia (Intralipid):¹² No significant interference up to an L index of 600. There is poor correlation between the L index (corresponds to turbidity) and triglycerides concentration.

No significant interference from triglycerides up to 1000 mg/dL (11.3 mmol/L).

Rheumatoid factors: No significant interference from rheumatoid factors up to 200 IU/mL.

Total protein: No interference from total protein up to 14 g/dL.

In very rare cases, gammopathy, in particular type IgM (Waldenström's macroglobulinemia), may cause unreliable results.¹³

For diagnostic purposes, the results should always be assessed in conjunction with the patient's medical history, clinical examination and other findings.

ACTION REQUIRED

Special Wash Programming: The use of special wash steps is mandatory when certain test combinations are run together on Roche/Hitachi **cobas c** systems. The latest version of the carry-over evasion list can be found with the NaOHD-SMS-SmpCin1+2-SCCS Method Sheets. For further instructions refer to the operator's manual. **cobas c 502** analyzer: All special wash programming necessary for avoiding carry-over is available via the **cobas** link, manual input is not required.

Where required, special wash/carry-over evasion programming must be implemented prior to reporting results with this test.

Limits and ranges**Measuring range**

2.4-60 µg/mL (10.3-258.6 µmol/L)

Manually dilute samples above the measuring range 1 + 1 with the Preciset TDM I diluent (0 µg/mL) and reassay. Multiply the result by 2 to obtain the specimen value.

Lower limits of measurement

Lower detection limit of the test

1.2 µg/mL (5.2 µmol/L)

The lower detection limit represents the lowest measurable analyte level that can be distinguished from zero. It is calculated as the value lying 2 standard deviations above that of the 0 µg/mL calibrator (standard 1 + 2 SD, repeatability, n = 21).

Expected values

The therapeutic range of phenobarbital is correlated with seizure control as well as the absence of toxic effects, and is generally accepted to be between 10 and 30 µg/mL (43.1 and 129 µmol/L). Variation in metabolism and absorption of the drug may cause levels to rise above 40 µg/mL (172 µmol/L) or fall below 15 µg/mL (64.7 µmol/L). The most frequent dose-related side effect is sedation, to which a tolerance usually develops. Phenobarbital serum levels above 40 µg/mL (172 µmol/L) are often associated with nystagmus, ataxia, and dysarthria.^{14,15} At high doses, phenobarbital can even cause an increase in seizure frequency.

Each laboratory should investigate the transferability of the expected values to its own patient population and if necessary determine its own reference ranges.

Specific performance data

Representative performance data on the analyzers are given below. Results obtained in individual laboratories may differ.

Precision

Precision was determined using human samples and controls in a modified NCCLS EP5-T2 protocol (repeatability n = 63, intermediate precision n = 63). The following results were obtained on a **cobas c 501** analyzer.

Serum/Plasma

| Repeatability | Mean | | SD | | CV |
|---------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-----|
| | µg/mL | µmol/L | µg/mL | µmol/L | |
| Control 1 | 9.8 | 42.2 | 0.5 | 2.1 | 5.0 |
| Control 2 | 24.4 | 105 | 0.6 | 3 | 2.4 |
| Control 3 | 45.1 | 194 | 0.8 | 3 | 1.8 |
| HS 1 | 15.6 | 67.2 | 0.5 | 2.3 | 3.4 |
| HS 2 | 37.8 | 163 | 1.0 | 4 | 2.7 |

| Intermediate precision | Mean | | SD | | CV |
|------------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-----|
| | µg/mL | µmol/L | µg/mL | µmol/L | % |
| Control 1 | 9.8 | 42.2 | 0.5 | 2.3 | 5.4 |
| Control 2 | 24.4 | 105 | 0.6 | 3 | 2.4 |
| Control 3 | 45.1 | 194 | 0.9 | 4 | 2.0 |
| HS 1 | 15.6 | 67.2 | 0.6 | 2.7 | 3.9 |
| HS 2 | 37.8 | 163 | 1.2 | 5 | 3.0 |

Method comparison**Serum/plasma**

Phenobarbital values for human serum and plasma samples obtained on a Roche/Hitachi **cobas c 501** analyzer (y) were compared with those determined using the corresponding reagent on a Roche/Hitachi 917 analyzer (x).

Roche/Hitachi 917

Sample size (n) = 53

Passing/Bablok¹⁶

Linear regression

 $y = 0.998x - 0.206 \mu\text{g/mL}$ $y = 0.982x - 0.077 \mu\text{g/mL}$ $r = 0.936$ $r = 0.996$

The sample concentrations were between 2.91 and 57.7 µg/mL (12.5 and 249 µmol/L).

Functional sensitivity

2.4 µg/mL (10.3 µmol/L)

The functional sensitivity is calculated as the lowest concentration from clinical samples with a CV of ≤ 20 %.

Analytical specificity

The following compounds were tested for cross-reactivity.

| Compound | Concentration | % Cross-reactivity |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| | Tested (µg/mL) | |
| Acetylsalicylic acid | 1000 | ND |
| Amitriptyline | 9 | ND |
| Amobarbital | 1000 | ND |
| Aprobarbital | 1000 | ND |
| Barbital | 1000 | ND |
| Butobarbital | 1000 | 0.15 |
| Butalbital | 1000 | 0.67 |
| Caffeine | 1000 | ND |
| Carbamazepine | 1000 | ND |
| Carbamazepine-10,11-epoxide | 140 | ND |
| Chlordiazepoxide | 30 | ND |
| Chlorpromazine | 50 | ND |
| Clonazepam | 1.2 | ND |
| 5,5 Diallylbarbituric acid | 1000 | ND |
| Diazepam | 25 | ND |
| Ethosuximide | 1000 | ND |
| Glutethimide | 1000 | ND |
| Hexobarbital | 1000 | ND |
| 5-(p-Hydroxyphenyl)-5-phenylhydantoin | 1000 | ND |
| Imipramine | 5 | ND |
| Meperidine-HCl | 100 | ND |
| Mephentoin | 1000 | ND |
| Mephobarbital | 1000 | 0.18 |

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| Methsuximide | 400 | ND |
| Methyprylon | 1200 | ND |
| Nitrazepam | 0.6 | ND |
| Nordiazepam | 100 | ND |
| Pentobarbital-Na | 1000 | ND |
| Phensuximide | 1000 | ND |
| Phenylbutazone | 2500 | ND |
| 2-Phenyl-2-ethylmalonamide (PEMA) | 1000 | ND |
| Phenytoin | 1000 | ND |
| P-Hydroxyphenobarbital | 200 | ND |
| Primidone | 120 | ND |
| Promethazine | 0.23 | ND |
| Secobarbital | 1000 | 0.15 |
| Theophylline | 200 | ND |
| Thiopental-Na | 1000 | ND |
| Valproic acid | 1000 | ND |

Cross-reactivity was designated as "Not Detectable" (ND) if the obtained value was less than the sensitivity of the assay.

Tests were performed on 18 drugs. No significant interference with the assay was found.

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| Acetaminophen | Heparin |
| Acetyl cysteine | Ibuprofen |
| Acetylsalicylic acid | Intralipid |
| Ampicillin-Na | Levodopa |
| Ascorbic acid | Methyldopa + 1.5 H ₂ O |
| Ca-Dobesilate | Metronidazole |
| Cefoxitin | Phenylbutazone |
| Cyclosporine | Rifampicin |
| Doxycycline (Tetracycline) | Theophylline |

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A point (period/stop) is always used in this Method Sheet as the decimal separator to mark the border between the integral and the fractional parts of a decimal numeral. Separators for thousands are not used.

Symbols

Roche Diagnostics uses the following symbols and signs in addition to those listed in the ISO 15223-1 standard.

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| | Contents of kit |
| | Volume after reconstitution or mixing |
| | Global Trade Item Number |

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