



Expertise in immunodiagnostics

IBL International - part of the Tecan Group - is an expert diagnostics provider focusing on special and rare indications. The company has over 30 years of experience in the development, manufacture and supply of immunoassays - including enzyme, radiolabeled, and luminescencebased assays - for research and routine diagnostics.

We are a pioneer and market leader in saliva diagnostics, offering a broad portfolio of luminescence- and ELISA-based tests for analytes such as cortisol, testosterone, estriol and various interleukins also melatonin. The company also offers a number of specialist diagnostic assays for Endocrinology, neurotransmitters and Infectious disease in clinical diagnostics, along with key assays for the research segment, including HMGB1 and NF Light . By combining IBL International's immunodiagnostics expertise with Tecan's long tradition in serving the clinical diagnostic market, many of these assays have been specifically optimized for fully automated processing on the Freedom EVOlyzer® or Freedom EVO® platforms, offering complete solutions for the biochemical diagnosis.

IBL International products are available worldwide, through dedicated Tecan sales teams in the US, Europe and China, as well as an extensive distributor network and worldwide support from Tecan's regional offices. An experienced team of product managers and customer service staff ensure the rapid support necessary in a clinical environment, and the company's active research and development program has close ties with academic centers and commercial partners around the world.

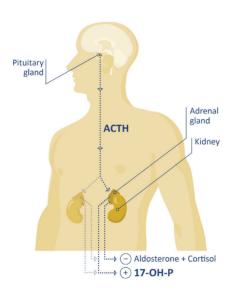
All the company's assays have been designed with uniform pipetting procedures and shared reagents - offering easy adaptation for automated Tecan liquid handling platforms - and are manufactured to meet the highest global regulatory requirements and quality standards. IBL International is certified under ISO 9001, ISO 13485 and CMDCAS, meets GMP regulations and is audited by notified body according to Medical Device Single Audit Program (MDSAP). Combining these high quality assays with Tecan's flexible automated solutions offers exceptional productivity, throughput and reproducibility for clinical diagnostics and research.



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Endocrinology is the medical specialty that addresses hormones and the endocrine glands and tissues that secrete them.



Influence of Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia (CAH) on the hormones in the body system. Due to enzyme deficiency the production of Cortisol and Aldosterone is decreased and elevated values of 17-OH-P are measured in serum or plasma. 17-OH-P represents one of the most suitable biochemical marker for the diagnosis of CAH.

IBL International provides a comprehensive portfolio of highly sensitive, reliable immunoassays for measuring steroids, peptides, proteins and amino hormones. They can overcome the disadvantages of working with radioactivity without the need for huge investments. This is especially interesting to departments that have no access to MS equipment. Numerous studies have shown that IBL's assays correlate strongly to LC-MS/ MS and RIA. The relevant publications are available on request. In addition, ELISAs are far easier to perform than mass spectrometry measurements.

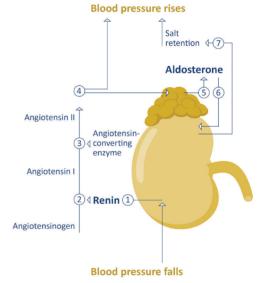
GYNECOLOGY, ANDROLOGY, IVF

Complementary assays to random access systems:

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|--|--------------------|--------------|---|------------|
| 17-OH-Progesterone (17-OHP) | RE52071 MG12181 | ELISA RIA | Excellent analytical characteristics Easy procedure Also reference values for children available on request Widely used and cited in multiple publications in numerous medical fields: endocrinology, gynaecology (late onset), paediatrics | Yes Yes |
| Free Testosterone | DB52181 | ELISA RIA | Measures the biologically active form Direct procedure without extraction Total assay time <1.5 hours Detailed reference ranges | Yes Yes |
| 5α-Dihydrotestosterone (DHT) | DB52021 | ELISA | Direct procedure without extraction and oxidation Total assay time <1.5 hours Low cross reactivity to testosterone Not available on closed systems | Yes |
| DHEA | RE52221 | ELISA | Direct procedure without extraction and oxidation Excellent correlation to reference method LC-MS/MS | Yes |
| Pregnenolone | DB52031 | ELISA | The only ELISA available in the market Total assay time <1 hour Not available on closed systems | Yes |
| Androstenedione | DB52161 MG11091 | ELISA RIA | Good correlation to reference method LC-MS/MS and external quality control samples Total assay time <1.5 hours | Yes Yes |
| Androstane-diol-Glucuronide (3α-Diol-G) | DB52171 MG11081 | ELISA RIA | The only ELISA available in the market Total assay time <1 hour Not available on closed systems | Yes Yes |

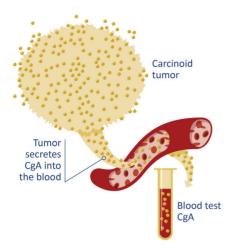
HYPERTENSION

Hypertension is a cardiac chronic medical condition in which systemic arterial blood pressure is elevated. Persistent hypertension is a significant risk factor for strokes, heart attacks, heart failure, and arterial aneurysm, and is leading cause of chronic renal failure. IBL International offers assays for routine diagnostics and research purposes in the area of Hypertension and its initial reasons.



Renin-Angiotensin System

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------|--|------------|
| Aldosterone | RE52301 MG13051 | ELISA RIA | Direct procedure without extraction Good correlation to reference method LCMS/MS | Yes Yes |
| Renin (active) | RE53321 MG11101 | ELISA RIA | Renin levels are indicative for the activity of the Renin-Angiotensin-Aldosterone System (RAAS) Aldosterone-Renin ratio ranges available | Yes Yes |



TUMOR MARKERS

IBL International offers a broad portfolio of tumor markers for routine diagnostics, clinical research and therapy follow up. Some tumor markers are specific for a single type of cancer, while others can be found in many types of cancer.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|---|-------------|--------|--|-----|
| Chromogranin A | 30126469 | ELISA | High clinical utility for patients with neuroendocrine tumors Reliable and consistent results: standards based on human recombinant CgA High precision < 10% CV% Excellent correlation to gold standard RIA | Yes |
| TriCat (Adrenalin/Noradrenalin/ Dopamine) | RE59395 | ELISA | Manual and automated ELISA IVD quantitative determination of adrenalin (epinephrine), noradrenalin (norepinephrine) and dopamine in human plasma and urine Excellent correlation to HPLC method No drugs interferences | Yes |
| MetCombi Plasma (Metanephrine/ Normetanephrine) | RE59202 | ELISA | IBL International's MetCombi ELISA has: Shorter assay time: ca. 4.5 h Calibrated to LC-MS/MS Automated test procedure Smaller sample volume: 200 µL Higher sensitivity | Yes |

BONE AND MINERAL METABOLISM

Dysfunction of the Vitamin D and parathyroid hormone (PTH) pathways are usually indicators of diseases involving acalcinosis (too little calcium) or calcium excess. Typically, these are Hypo- and Hyperparathyreodism and kidney calcification.

Especially, patients already having kidney problems are at high risk. As such the determination of a patient's vitamin D and PTH levels are essential to the correct therapeutic intervention.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------|---|-----|
| 25-Hydroxy-Vitamin D | MG11021 | ELISA | ELISA detection limit: 1.5 ng/mL | Yes |
| | MG11051 | RIA | RIA detection limit: 1.2 ng/mL | Yes |
| Parathyroid hormone intact | RE11061 | IRMA | PTH acts to regulate the concentration of calcium and phosphate in the blood; | Yes |
| (PTH intact) | NM59041 | ELISA | PTH levels are related to Vitamin D levels | Yes |
| 1,25-Dihydroxy-Vitamin D | MG59051 | ELISA | Detection limit for both assays: 1.6 pg/mL | Yes |
| | MG11015 | RIA | Not available in all countries | Yes |

METABOLIC SYNDROME

Metabolic syndrome is associated with several medical conditions typically associated with "western lifestyle" such as obesity or a disturbed lipoprotein (fat) metabolism. All these conditions can lead to developing cardiovascular diseases, gastrointestinal

diseases or even diabetes type II. Again a deficiency in Vitamin B12 will lead to effects on our central nervous system and is associate i.e. with fatigue, anemia and even depression.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|--|-------------|--------|--|-----|
| Active-B12 (Holotranscobalamin/Holo TC) | AX53101 | ELISA | HoloTC is the biologically active form of Vitamin B12. HoloTC measurement is more sensitive and more specific than Total-B12 measurement. Changes in HoloTC levels occur earlier than Total-B12 depletion No pre-analytical steps required | Yes |
| Adiponectin | 30126762 | ELISA | Detects total Adiponectin (so all low, medium and high molecular variants) Gender and age group specific reference values Automated test procedure | Yes |
| Leptin | MD53001 | ELISA | Calibrated against WHO NIBSC 97/594 international standard Reference ranges correlated with BMI and Tanner stages of children and adolescents Automated test procedure | Yes |

GROWTH HORMONES

The measurement of insulin-like growth factor-l (IGF-I) and Insulin-like Growth Factor Binding Protein 3 (IGFBP-3) in serum or plasma is of especially

high utility in the diagnostic work-up of growth disturbances, particularly with regard to human growth hormone (hGH) deficiency or acromegaly.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|---|-------------|--------|---|-----|
| IGF-I (Insulin-like Growth Factor-I) | MD58011 | ELISA | Non-extraction assay with high specificity for IGF-I No interference from IGF-binding proteins Calibrated against the international standard of WHO NIBSC 02/254 High sensitivity (0.09 ng/mL) and outstanding accuracy - 98.7% recovery | Yes |
| IGFBP-3 | MD58031 | ELISA | Best indicator of the GH deficiency due to better stability in serum Only 10µl sample volume, ideal for use in pediatrics Very good precision No cross-reactivity to homologous proteins (IGFBP-1, -2, 4, and -6) | Yes |

THYROID FUNCTION

Thyroid function tests (TFTs) are amongst the most commonly requested laboratory investigations in the world.

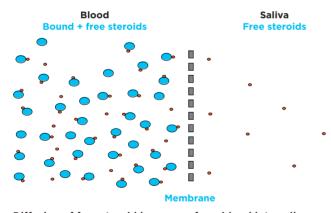
Most TFTs are effective at interpretation and confirmation of the clinical picture of euthyroidism, hypothyroidism or hyperthyroidism. However, thyroid function testing becomes problematic when the tests are performed in patients who have any significant coexisting illness.

IBL International offers a complete range of tests for correct diagnostics of thyroid status.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------|--|-----|
| rT3 | 30123153 | ELISA | The only existing ELISA assay for clinical use. The only CE-marked assay available No sample preparation Total assay time: less than 2 hours Correlates with LC-MS/MS results Automatable Outstanding assay sensitivity: 0.005 ng/mL Minimal cross-reactivity: T3 < 0.001%, T4 < 0.005%, T2 < 0.004% | Yes |
| FT3 (Free Triiodthyronine) | RE55231 | ELISA | Detection of thyroid hormone deficiency (hypothyroidism) Very good correlation to RIA High specifity and sensitivity | Yes |
| FT4 (Free Thyroxine) | RE55241 | ELISA | Detection of thyroid hormone deficiency (hypothyroidism) Very good correlation to RIA High specifity and sensitivity | Yes |



Changes in sex hormones and adrenal hormones can lead to neurotransmitter imbalances. And vice versa. Testing both neurotransmitters and hormones provides a comprehensive view of the body's functional neuroendocrine status, and brings light to additional factors that may be contributing to symptoms. Furthermore it may be useful to screen patients who suffer from unclear and chronic disorders for specific food intolerances.



Diffusion of free steroid hormones from blood into saliva Free and protein bound steroid hormones in blood and free hormones in saliva. The concentration of free hormones is the same on both sides of the membrane.

SALIVARY TESTING

Importantly, the hormone concentrations measured in saliva, unlike in blood, represent the levels of free, biologically active hormones, which have greater clinical relevance than do measures of total hormone. The easiness and stress free collection makes it very attractive for patients and practitioners.

All IBL International Immunoassays are calibrated to LC-MS/MS and the most common parameters use interchangeable components to enable an easier automation. Meaningful reference ranges are stated in the instructions for use of the single parameters.

Stress measurement, sleep disorders

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|------------|
| Cortisol Saliva | RE62111 RE52611 | LUM ELISA | LUM sensitivity: 0.12 ng/mL Total precision: <5% Wide measuring range: 0.12 - 30 ng/mL Easier method than LC-MS/MS | Yes Yes |
| DHEA Saliva | RE62151 RE52651 | LUM ELISA | Wide measuring range: 12.3 - 3,000 pg/mL Not available on closed systems ELISA: Clearly defined reference values by gender, age and day time | Yes Yes |
| Melatonin Saliva | RE54041 RE29301 | ELISA RIA | Clinically validation data available on request Because of homology, the assay can be used for various species | Yes Yes |

Hormonal sexual disorders, androgenism, evaluation of ovarian function

Beside assays for measuring estrogens, IBL International also offers following steroids kits:

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|------------|
| Progesterone Saliva | RE62021 RE52281 | LUM ELISA | High sensitivity: 3 pg/mL Wide measuring range: 3 - 5,000 pg/mL Direct procedure without extraction Not available on closed systems | Yes Yes |
| Testosterone Saliva | RE62031 RE52631 | LUM ELISA | Correlates to reference methods (GC-MS/MS; RIA) LUM analytical sensitivity: 1.8 pg/mL High precision: 6.9 - 4.0% at 20.7 - 557 pg/mL Easier method than LC-MS/MS Not available on closed systems | Yes Yes |

Furthermore, IBL International proposes following benefits

- Collection tubes Salicaps available
- Expertise for saliva diagnostics, high technical support
- Free of charge EQAS for salivary steroids

URINARY NEUROTRANSMITTERS TESTING

Measurement of neurotransmitters in urine samples helps to identify neurostress in a non-invasive way. Depression, mood disorders, anxiety, fatigue,

insomnia, addiction and dependency are examples of consequences from neurotransmitter imbalances.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|---|-------------|--------|---|-----|
| TriCatTM (Adrenalin/Noradrenalin/ Dopamine) | RE59395 | ELISA | Calibrated to HPLC No drug interference Validated for urine testing Easier to run than HPLC with higher throughput | Yes |
| Serotonin | RE59121 | ELISA | Calibrated to HPLC User friendly (calibrators acylated) Overnight incubation possible Used and cited in numerous publications | Yes |

FOOD INTOLERANCE TESTING

IBL International has a large product line for assessing individual sensitization to food allergens. The assays are intended for quantitative determination of specific IgG and/or IgG4 in serum or plasma from venous or

capillary blood.

We are flexible regarding the configuration of the tests; please contact us for your specific needs.

Examples

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|---|----------------------|----------------|--|-----|
| IgG Food Screen 24 IgG ₄ Food Screen 24 | 30113481 30113482 | ELISA ELISA | Screening of IgG / IgG ₄ Antibodies against 24 allergens 3 patients can be screened with one microtiterplate | Yes |
| IgG Food Screen 7 IgG ₄ Food Screen 7 | 30131629 30131628 | ELISA | Screening of IgG / IgG ₄ Antibodies against 7 allergens 12 patients can be screened with one microtiterplate | Yes |

The raw data from Tecan Magellan™ software can be exported in Excel. The laboratory can print out a patient specific report with graphical overview of the food sensitivities.





Neurodegeneration or neurodegenerative diseases are a group of disorders that are characterized by progressive loss of structure respective function of neurons, including their death.

Most known neurodegenerative diseases are Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, Multiple sclerosis and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis. Yet,

Alzheimers Diagnostics

Alzheimer's disease (AD), a neurodegenerative disease leading to dementia, can be characterized by 3 hallmarks, which are formation of Amyloid-beta plaques, TAU fibrils and loss of neurons and synapses, leading to a significant brain volume reduction. The first 2 hallmarks lead to the fact that measuring these proteins in CSF is a valuable tool to support the diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease.

research in the field of neurodegeneration elucidates many more often overlapping diseases that have similar cellular and sub-cellular pathogenic mechanisms.

To assess Amyloid-beta pathology in AD more recent clinical research has shown that the determination of the Amyloid-beta ratio of Amyloid-beta (1-42)/ Amyloid-beta (1-40) significantly improves the diagnostic value towards AD (Figure 1). Furthermore as fibril formation of TAU proteins is characterized by hyperphosphorylation, the determination of either phosphoTAU or the non-phosphorylated TAU fraction (pTAUrel) confirms the TAU pathology in AD.

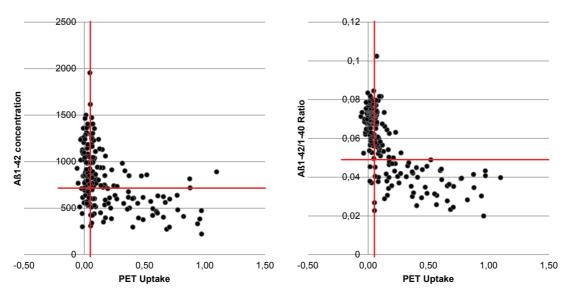


Figure 1 The Amyloid-beta ratio of Amyloid-beta (1-42) to Amyloid-beta (1-40) significantly improves the accuracy of concordant samples in comparison to PiB from 74.9% to 89.4% (Lewczuk et al. J Alzheimers Dis. 2017;55(2):813-822.):

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|------------------|-------------|--------|--|-----|
| Amyloid-ß (1-40) | RE59651 | ELISA | Ready to use 6 point standard curve No serial dilution necessary Low inter- and intra assay CVs 2 Kit controls included | Yes |
| Amyloid-ß (1-42) | RE59661 | ELISA | As part of the Amyloid-beta ratio excellent sensitivity and specificity | Yes |
| phosphoTAU | 30121609* | ELISA | Ready to use 6 point standard curve No serial dilution necessary Low inter- and intra-assay CVs 2 kit controls included | Yes |
| hTAU total | RE59631* | ELISA | Ready to use 6 point standard curve No serial dilution necessary Low inter- and intra-assay CVs 2 kit controls included | Yes |
| pTAUrel | RE59641* | ELISA | Ready to use 6 point standard curve No serial dilution necessary Low inter- and intra-assay CVs 2 kit controls included | Yes |

Research of axonal destruction

Neurofilaments are the backbone of the neuronal cytoskeleton. Neurofilament light is found to be elevated in neurodegenerative disorders that are associated with the destruction of white matter (substantia alba). Typically these are:

- Parkinson's disease (PD)
- Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
- Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)

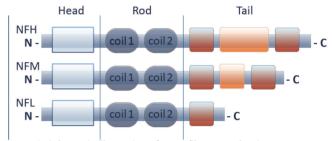


Figure 2: Schematic illustration of neurofilament subunits

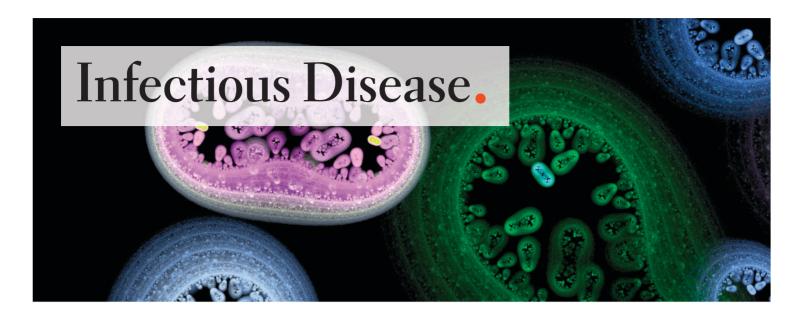
| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|---|-------------|--------|--|-----|
| Neurofilament light (NF-light [*]) | UD51001* | | Wide standard range Age-dependend normal values available | Yes |

Further research in neurodegeneration

Yet, as the field of neurodegeneration still has much more to be discovered and understanding of disease mechanisms has still to be completely understood, IBL International offers a large range of assays to enable research in this field.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|------------------|-------------|--------|--|----|
| Amyloid-ß (1-38) | RE59771 | ELISA | Discrimination of frontotemporal lobar degeneration (FTLD) and Alzheimer's disease Highly sensitive: <1 pg/mL The only ELISA available in the market | |
| sAPP-α | JP27734* | ELISA | No cross-reactitivity to sAPP- β Can be used for serum, plasma, CSF and cell culture supernatants | |
| sAPP-β | JP27732* | ELISA | No cross-reactivity to sAPP- α Can be used for serum, plasma, CSF and cell culture supernatants | |

^{*}Distributed by IBL International



Infectious disease are caused by pathogenic microorganisms, such as bacteria, viruses, parasites or fungi. Some infectious diseases can be passed from person to person; some are transmitted via bites from insects or animals.

IBL International offers a wide range of ELISAs for detecting infectious diseases caused by pathogenic microorganisms, including bacteria, viruses, parasites or fungi. Our assays are based on detecting specific

antibody classes (IgA, IgG, IgM) in serum, plasma or cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) or detection of antigens from stool samples.

BACTERIAL DISEASE

The high-quality ELISAs from IBL International are suitable for diagnosis and therapy monitoring for Heliobacter plyori, Lyme borreliosis, Chlamydia and Syphillis.

Furthermore, the vaccine status of Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis and Haemophilius influenza B can be determined by antibody concentration measuring with IBL International immunoassays.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Borrelia + VIsE IgG Borrelia 14 kDa + OspC IgM | RE57201 RE57211 | ELISA ELISA | Superior antigen mixture Diagnostic sensitivity IgG: 98% and IgM: 99% Diagnostic specificity IgG: 94% and IgM: 95% Quantitative (titer) or qualitative (cut-off) results can be obtained Low- and high level kit controls included Ready to use reagents Evaluated for serum, plasma and CSF | Yes Yes |
| Bordetella pertussis IgA Bordetella pertussis IgG Bordetella pertussis IgM Bordetella FHA IgG Bordetella FHA IgA Bordetella PT IgG Bordetella PT IgA | RE56131 RE56141 RE56151 RE56091 RE56081 RE56061 RE56051 | ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA | Complete range of mixed and single antigen ELISAs Single antigen ELISA are calibrated against 1st Int. Standard WHO 06/140 Qualitative or quantitative results (IU/mL for single antigen ELISAs) Wide linear measurement range Diagnostic sensitivity and specificity: 95% | Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes |
| Haemophilus influenzae B IgG | RE56351 | ELISA | Antigen: polyribosylribitolphosphate (PRP), which correlates to common vaccines Calibrated to NIBSC code 09/222 Shelf life: >18 months Low- and high level kit controls included | Yes |
| Helicobacter pylori IgA Helicobacter pylori IgG Helicobacter pylori IgM Fecal Helicobacter-Antigen | RE56371 RE56381 RE56391 RE58891 | ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA | Antibody as well as antigen (stool) ELISA available Antigens (antibody assays): CagA (cytotoxin associated proteine) and VacA (vasculisied cytotoxin) High diagnostic sensitivity (98%) and specificity (100%) of IgG ELISA proven in external method comparison study (AFSSAPS, France) | Yes Yes Yes Yes |

VIRAL DISEASE

The IBL International ELISAs for identification of viral infectious diseases are appropriate for routine and special diagnostic markers, like Measles, Epstein-Barr,

Hantavirus and Zika virus. In addition, ELISA assays for the detection of antibodies from the TORCH panel are part for the product portfolio.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|--|--------------------|--|--|---|
| Zika virus IgM μ-capture | 30113441 | ELISA | μ-capture technology No significant cross reactivity to other Flaviviridae Qualitative result evaluation Sensitivity: > 99% and specificity: 98.5% | Yes |
| Dengue IgG Dengue IgM μ-capture | RE58671 RE58581 | ELISA ELISA | Detection of all 4 Dengue types μ-capture technology for IgM Diagnostic sensitivity and specificity: 99% Dengue NS1 ELISA will be available soon | Yes Yes |
| Chikungunya IgG capture Chikungunya IgM μ-capture | RE58831 RE58841 | ELISA ELISA | High diagnostic sensitivity (98%) and specificity (99%) due to antibody capture technology | Yes Yes |
| Epstein-Barr virus EA IgA Epstein-Barr virus EA IgG Epstein-Barr virus EA IgM Epstein-Barr virus EBNA-1 IgA Epstein-Barr virus EBNA-1 IgG Epstein-Barr virus EBNA-1 IgM Epstein-Barr virus VCA IgA Epstein-Barr virus VCA IgG Epstein-Barr virus VCA IgM µ-capture | | ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA ELISA | Complete product portfolio of EBV diagnostics Highly specific antigens: gp125 (VCA), p54 (EA), p72 (EBNA) µ-capture configuration for VCA IgM ELISA High diagnostic sensitivity and specificity in primary, past infections and reactivation Quantitative (titer) or qualitative (cut-off) results | Yes |

PARASITE DISEASE

The choice of products in parasites diagnosis includes species-selective ELISAs for most common parasites, e.g. Echinococcus, Malaria and Toxocara.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|--------------------|-------------|--------|---|-----|
| Toxocara canis IgG | RE58721 | ELISA | High diagnostic sensitivity (97%) and specificity (99%) Antigens: synthetic oligopeptides with glycosylation | Yes |





Autoimmune disease are chronic inflammatory processes. They can be either organ-specific or systemic in nature. Autoimmune diseases predominantly affect women and correlate with the production of disease-associated autoantibodies. The impact of autoimmune diseases on the cost of healthcare and effective treatment underline the importance of accurate and reliable methods for diagnosis, prognosis and monitoring autoimmune diseases.

MYASTHENIA GRAVIS

Myasthenia gravis (MG) is caused by the failure of neuromuscular signal transmission. To confirm the diagnosis of MG the determination of acetylcholine receptors (ARAb) and muscle-specific receptor tyrosine kinase (MuSK) autoantibodies is needed. The ARAb Radioimmunoassay is the state of the art diagnosis method for autoantibodies in serum of 80-90 % of patients with generalized myasthenia gravis and in 55-70 % of patients with ocular myasthenia.

In 10-20 % of the patients with generalized MG, and in up to 50 % of the patients with ocular MG these autoantibodies cannot be detected. In these cases the disease is commonly referred to as seronegative MG (SNMG). The antibodies to the muscle-specific receptor tyrosine kinase can be detected and measured via MuSK-Ab ELISA.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|--|----------------------|--------|--|-----|
| Acetylcholine Receptor Autoantibodies (ARAb)* | RE21023 / RE21021 | RIA | Antigen: human muscle acetylcholine receptor Sensitivity: 93% and specificity: 98% Total assay time is only 3 hours Easy to perform assay Cut-off and positive control Very robust assay with excellent between-lot reproducibility Free Quality Assessment Scheme (QAS) | Yes |
| MuSK-Ab (Muscle-specific Receptor Tyrosine Kinase- Ab) | RE51021 | ELISA | The only available ELISA in the market Sensitivity: 95% and specificity: 99% Wide measurement range Quantitative results from standard curve | Yes |

 $^{^*}$ Twice a year, IBL International provides a free of charge QAS for ARAb binding and blocking.

RHEUMATOID DISEASE

Rheumatoid factors are autoantibodies they are increasingly detachable in patients suffering under rheumatoid arthritis. Simultaneously, the RF can occur in other autoimmune diseases such as Sjögren`s

syndrome and systemic lupus erythematosus. At the beginning of the RA the RF are rarely positive and after a duration of more than one year the frequency reaches of 70-80 %.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|--|-------------|--------|---|-----|
| Cyclic Citrullinated Peptide- Ab (CCP-Ab) | RE75791 | ELISA | Antigen: 2 nd generation highly purified synthetic cyclic citrullinated peptides (CCP2) containing modified arginine residues Sensitivity: 79% and specificity: 97% Ready to use reagents 2 Kit controls included Quantitative results from standard curve can be obtained | Yes |
| Rheumatoid factor (RF) IgA/igG/IgM | RE70341 | ELISA | Qualitative and quantitative result interpretation. | Yes |

COELIAC DISEASE

The immune-mediated inflammatory process following ingestion of wheat, rye, or barley proteins occurs in genetically susceptible individuals. Coeliac disease is associated with a variety of autoantibodies, including tissue transglutaminase (tTG) and gliadin antibodies.

Although the IgA isotype of these antibodies usually predominates in coeliac disease, individuals may also produce IgG isotypes. The most sensitive and specific serologic test is the tTG-IgA test.

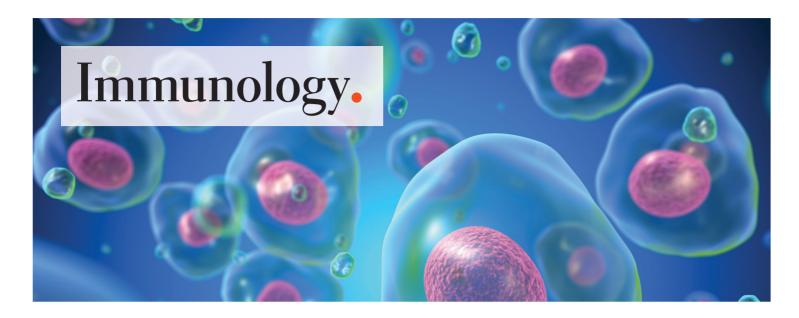
| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|--|----------------------|----------------|---|------------|
| tissue Transglutaminase IgA (tTG IgA) tissue Transglutaminase IgG (tTG IgG) | 30132293 30132295 | ELISA ELISA | Antigen: recombinant, eukaryotic expressed transglutaminase. Excellent high sensitivity and specifity. | Yes Yes |
| Modified Gliadin Peptide IgA (MGP IgA) Modified Gliadin Peptide IgG (MGP IgG) | RE75741 RE75751 | ELISA ELISA | Antigen: synthetic instead of native gliadin Higher sensitivity and significantly more specific than conventional gliadin antibodies (especially IgG subclass) Children (MGP IgG) | Yes Yes |

SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS

The Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) is an episodes/in stages occurring, chronic inflammatory autoimmune disease with numerous organ systems pressure such as skin, joints, kidneys, blood cells and

central nervous system. Antibodies against dsDNA have a high pathogenetic and diagnostic significance for SLE. More than 60 % of patients with SLE contain Auto-Ab to dsDNA.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|-----------|-------------|--------|---|-----|
| dsDNA-Ab | RE19011 | RIA | Recommended as most reliable assay ("Gold standard"). dsDNA antibody titer is highly correlated with disease activity. Therapy monitoring and development of disease. High specificity, sensitivity and diagnosis efficiency. Checked against WHO standard preparation Wo/80. Total assay time only 1.5 hours | Yes |
| dsDNA-Ab | RE75201 | ELISA | High diagnostic sensitivity and specificity for SLE Total assay time is only 1.5 hours | Yes |



Immunology is the medical field that addresses the study of physiological functioning of the immune system in health and disease.

Dysfunctions of the immune system are generally termed "immune disorders". These types of disorders can be characterized in different ways. First by the component(s) of the immune system affected, second whether the immune system is either overactive or underactive, third whether the condition is congenital

or acquired. The immune system can be divided into the ancient, primitive innate immune system and (in vertebrates) the adaptive immune system. This can be further divided into humoral (antibody response) and cell-mediated components.

NEOPTERIN

Neopterin is a low molecular weight molecule belonging to the chemical group known as pteridines. It plays a major role in the adaptive, cell mediated immune response. It is synthesised by cellular immune reaction of macrophages and dendritic cells upon stimulation with the cytokine interferon-y and as a consequence released. Neopterin has a higher stability in body fluids which makes the sample handling and

measurement easier compared to other cytokines. The low molecular weight, let neopterin molecules rapidly pass the intravasal area, where it is released into urine after glomerular filtration. The half-life period in human bodies is only affected by renal excretion. So neopterin values reflect the totality of immunological processes for monocytes/macrophages and dendritic cells and can be seen as a general marker of immune activity.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|-----------|-------------|--------|---|-----|
| Neopterin | RE59321 | ELISA | Suitable for all vertebrates (validated for human) Validated for serum, plasma, urine Can be used from pre-clinical to clinical phase of development High throughput screening in combination with TECAN automation | Yes |

HMGB1

The multi-tasker of the innate immune system!

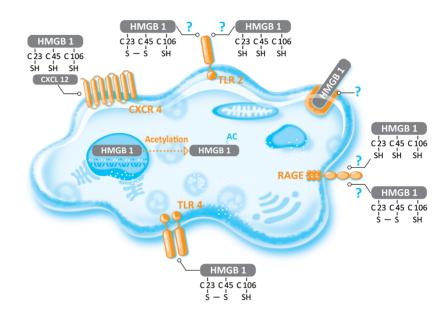
Over years, HMGB1 has increasingly attracted the attention of all kinds of researchers. It is one of the most intriguing molecules within the complete arsenal of proteins of the innate immune system as HMGB1 is either actively secreted by immune cells, or passively by injured cells as the cell's immediate cry for help.

IBL International's HMGB1 ELISA, which has been developed by Shino-Test Corporation, Japan, in cooperation with Prof. Dr. Ikuro Maruyama, Kagoshima University, is the worldwide renown assay to quantify HMGB1 in any experimental setting.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|-----------|-------------|--------|--|-----|
| HMGB1 | ST51011 | ELISA | Widely used and cited in multiple publications, including sepsis, cancer, diabetes and others Can be used for all mammals and all types of body fluids | Yes |

HMGB1 is a nuclear protein that can bind and bend DNA, but it can also be released to the extracellular environment where it exerts additional functions. The unraveling of the post-translational modifications has led to a better understanding of the mechanism of its translocation and its function within the immune system. It will now also allow more in-depth studies into the role of HMGB1 in numerous pathologies, including

- Autoimmune diseases
- Sepsis
- Cancer
- Diabetes
- Cardial infarction
- Stroke
- ... any inflammatory process



HMGB1 biology by the current state of scientific knowledge

BIOLOGICS DRUG MONITORING

With the development of the first therapeutic monoclonal antibodies during the last decade of the 20th century, the use of these types of drug has grown significantly. As biologics, or also termed biopharmaceuticals, are always produced in living organisms such as *E.coli*, yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) or cell lines, the drug quality and its functioning are dependent on the production process

itself and as such have to be tightly controlled in its function. IBL International therefore offers now a large range of assays to detect biopharmaceuticals and possible corresponding autoantibodies against the drug produced by the patient's immune system. Testing biologics is a further step towards personalized medicine.

| Parameter | Catalog No. | Method | Features | CE |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------|---|-----|
| Infliximab (Remicade*) | QS51001* | ELISA | Optimized for Cmin-Cmax levels Low sample volume Short assay time | Yes |
| | QS51101* | ELISA | Quantitative (only one on market) Low sample volume | Yes |
| Adalimumab (Humira*) | QS51011* | ELISA | Optimized for Cmin-Cmax levels Low sample volume Short assay time | Yes |
| | QS51111* | ELISA | Quantitative (only one on market) Low sample volume | Yes |

The above shown products for Infliximab and Adalimumab though are only a small excerpt of assays. We can also provide other assays for biological drugs as Bevacizumab, Cetuximab, Etanercept, Golimumab, Nivolumab, Trastuzumab and many more.

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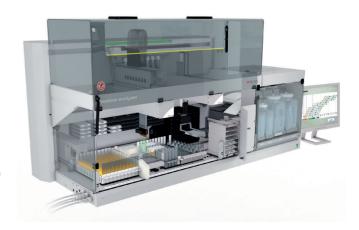
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