

Direct Bilirubin**Order information**

REF	CONTENT	Analyzer(s) on which cobas c pack(s) can be used
05975921 190	Direct Bilirubin (800 tests)	System-ID 05 6968 1 cobas c 701/702
12149435 160	Precinorm U plus (10 x 3 mL)	Code 300
12149443 160	Precipath U plus (10 x 3 mL)	Code 301
05947626 160	PreciControl ClinChem Multi 1 (4 x 5 mL)	Code 391
05947774 160	PreciControl ClinChem Multi 2 (4 x 5 mL)	Code 392

English

For use in the USA only

System information

DBILI: ACN 8006

Intended use

For the quantitative determination of direct bilirubin in serum and plasma on Roche/Hitachi **cobas c** systems.

Summary

Bilirubin is an organic compound formed by the reticuloendothelial system during the normal and abnormal destruction of red blood cells. Measurements of bilirubin are used in the diagnosis of liver disease, in the detection of hemolytic anemia, and to evaluate degrees of jaundice.

Since the introduction of the diazo method for bilirubin determination by Ehrlich in 1883¹, several modifications have been proposed to enhance the reaction. The Evelyn-Malloy method² employs methanol to catalyze the azo-coupling reaction of the indirect bilirubin, as well as to keep the azobilirubin in solution. A serious disadvantage of this method lies in the fact that protein may be precipitated by the methanol solution to yield falsely lowered results.

In 1938, Jendrassik and Grof³ presented an assay that gave reliable results. The advantages of this method over the Evelyn-Malloy procedure include greater precision, reduction of interference by pigments such as hemoglobin and serum contents (e.g., urobilinogen, uric acid and carotenoids), and reduction of turbidity produced by alcohol denaturation of proteins.

The Roche Diagnostics Direct Bilirubin method, based on the Jendrassik-Grof procedure, is standardized against the manual direct bilirubin procedure of Lo and Wu.⁴

Test principle

Acidified sodium nitrite produces nitrous acid, which reacts with sulfanilic acid (in acidic solution) to form a diazonium salt. The diazotized sulfanilic acid then reacts with bilirubin to form isomers of azobilirubin. In the direct bilirubin assay, only conjugated bilirubin is converted by the diazotized sulfanilic acid. The intensity of the red color of azobilirubin is measured photometrically and is proportional to the direct (conjugated) bilirubin concentration.

Reagents - working solutions

R1	Hydrochloric acid: 0.05 mol/L
R3	(Bottle R3 + R3a) Sulfanilic acid: 25.7 mmol/L; hydrochloric acid: 0.7 mol/L; sodium nitrite: 2.7 mmol/L; sodium bicarbonate: 13.9 mmol/L

R1 is in position B and R3 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: Caution: Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.

This kit contains components classified as follows in accordance with the Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008:

Sulphanilic acid

EUH 208 May produce an allergic reaction.



Danger

H290 May be corrosive to metals.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Prevention:

P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

Response:

P301 + P330 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
+ P331

P303 + P361 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
+ P353

P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
+ P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P305 + P351 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.
+ P338 Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
+ P310

P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

Product safety labeling follows EU GHS guidance.

Contact phone: 1-800-428-2336

Reagent handling

R1 is ready for use.

Transfer content of bottle R3 into the bottle R3a. Add 8 mL distilled or deionized water to Bottle 3a. Close the bottle and mix gently. Fill the mixture into **cobas c** pack position C.

Storage and stability

Unopened kit components: up to the expiration date at 15-25 °C

On-board in use and refrigerated on the analyzer: 14 days

On-board on the Reagent Manager: 0 hours

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: Use Li-heparin plasma. Do not use other anticoagulants.

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.

Direct Bilirubin

Stability:^{a),5} 2 days at 20-25 °C
7 days at 4-8 °C
6 months at -20 °C

a) If care is taken to prevent exposure to light.

See the limitations and interferences section for details about possible sample interferences.

Sample stability claims were established by experimental data by the manufacturer or based on reference literature and only for the temperatures/time frames as stated in the method sheet. It is the responsibility of the individual laboratory to use all available references and/or its own studies to determine specific stability criteria for its laboratory.

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 this application in the Utility menu, Application screen, Range tab.

cobas c 701/702 test definition

Assay type	2-Point End		
Reaction time / Assay points	10/18-34		
Wavelength (sub/main)	660/570 nm		
Reaction direction	Increase		
Units	μmol/L (mg/dL)		
Reagent pipetting		Diluent (H ₂ O)	
R1	100 μL	–	
R3	20 μL	–	
Sample volumes	Sample	Sample dilution	
		Sample	Diluent (H ₂ O)
Normal	6 μL	–	–
Decreased	6 μL	–	–
Increased	6 μL	–	–

Calibration

Use a K factor. The K factor is 4292 (μmol/L) or 251 (mg/dL) if reporting to one decimal place or 42921 (μmol/L) or 2510 (mg/dL) if reporting to two decimal places.

Calibrator	S1: H ₂ O
Calibration mode	Linear
Calibration frequency	Blank calibration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • every 24 hours • after cassette change • as required following quality control procedures

Calibration interval may be extended based on acceptable verification of calibration by the laboratory.

Traceability: This method has been standardized against the Doumas reference method.

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

cobas c systems automatically calculate the analyte concentration of each sample.

Conversion factors:	μmol/L x 0.0585 = mg/dL
	mg/dL x 10 = μmol/L
	mg/dL x 17.1 = μmol/L

Limitations - interference

Criterion: Recovery within ± 10 % of initial values at a direct bilirubin concentration of 0.3 mg/dL (5.1 μmol/L).

Hemolysis:⁶ No significant interference up to an H index of 30 (approximate hemoglobin concentration: 18.62 μmol/L or 30 mg/dL).

Lipemia (Intralipid):⁶ No significant interference up to an L index of 60. There is poor correlation between the L index (corresponds to turbidity) and triglycerides concentration.

Immunoglobulins: No significant interference from immunoglobulins up to a concentration of 30 g/L (200 μmol/L) (simulated by human immunoglobulin G).

Drugs: No interference was found at therapeutic concentrations using common drug panels.^{7,8}

Exception: Ascorbic acid, Intralipid (2000 mg/L) and rifampicin cause artificially high bilirubin results and phenylbutazone causes artificially low bilirubin results at the therapeutic drug level.

Samples containing indocyanine green must not be measured.

In very rare cases, gammopathy, in particular type IgM (Waldenström's macroglobulinemia), may cause unreliable results.⁹

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

In certain cases specimens may give a direct bilirubin result slightly greater than the total bilirubin result. This is observed in patient samples when nearly all the reacting bilirubin is in the direct form. In such cases the result for the total bilirubin should be reported for both D-bilirubin and total bilirubin values.

ACTION REQUIRED

Special Wash Programming: The use of special wash steps is mandatory when certain test combinations are run together on **cobas c** systems. All special wash programming necessary for avoiding carry-over is available via the **cobas** link, manual input is required in certain cases. The latest version of the carry-over evasion list can be found with the NaOHD/SMS/SmpCln1+2/SCCS Method Sheet and for further instructions refer to the operator's manual.

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

Limits and ranges**Measuring range**

3.5-171 μmol/L (0.2-10.0 mg/dL)

Determine samples with bilirubin concentrations > 171 μmol/L (10 mg/dL) by manually diluting samples with low normal serum (e.g. 1+1). Multiply the result by the appropriate dilution factor (e.g. 2) and subtract the value of the low normal serum. Do not use water, saline or commercial albumin preparations to dilute patient samples.

Do not report results above 171 μmol/L (10 mg/dL) unless the sample has been manually pre-diluted.

Lower limits of measurement

Lower detection limit of the test

Direct Bilirubin

2 µmol/L (0.1 mg/dL)

The lower detection limit represents the lowest measurable analyte level that can be distinguished from zero. It is calculated as the value lying 3 standard deviations above that of the lowest standard (standard 1 + 3 SD, repeatability, n = 21).

Values below the lower detection limit (< 2 µmol/L) will not be flagged by the instrument.

Expected values¹⁰

Serum/plasma 0.0-5.1 µmol/L (0.0-0.3 mg/dL)

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 an internal protocol with repeatability (n = 21) and intermediate precision (3 aliquots per run, 1 run per day, 21 days). The following results were obtained:

Repeatability	Mean	SD	CV
	µmol/L (mg/dL)	µmol/L (mg/dL)	%
Precinorm U plus	9.54 (0.558)	0.06 (0.004)	0.6
Precipath U plus	29.1 (1.70)	0.1 (0.01)	0.5
Human Serum A	1.50 (0.088)	0.05 (0.003)	3.3
Human Serum B	4.97 (0.291)	0.06 (0.004)	1.2
Human Serum C	148 (8.66)	0 (0.06)	0.3
Intermediate precision	Mean	SD	CV
	µmol/L (mg/dL)	µmol/L (mg/dL)	%
Precinorm U plus	11.1 (0.649)	0.3 (0.018)	2.3
Precipath U plus	30.0 (1.76)	1.0 (0.06)	3.2
Human serum 1	1.81 (0.106)	0.12 (0.007)	6.7
Human serum 2	32.3 (1.89)	0.7 (0.04)	2.2

Results for intermediate precision were obtained on the master system **cobas c 501** analyzer.

Method comparison

Direct bilirubin values for human serum samples obtained on a **cobas c 701** analyzer (y) were compared with those determined using the corresponding reagent on a **cobas c 501** analyzer (x).

Sample size (n) = 63

Passing/Bablok ¹¹	Linear regression
$y = 1.052x - 0.398 \text{ µmol/L}$	$y = 1.052x - 0.612 \text{ µmol/L}$
$r = 0.978$	$r = 0.999$

The sample concentrations were between 4.92 and 138 µmol/L (0.288 and 8.07 mg/dL).




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Symbols

Roche Diagnostics uses the following symbols and signs in addition to those listed in the ISO 15223-1 standard (for USA: see dialog.roche.com for definition of symbols used):

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

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