



INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

ADRENALINE 5 mM

TEST FOR THE EVALUATION OF PLATELET AGGREGATION ON PRP INDUCED BY ADRENALINE

1 – CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND INTENDED USE

For *in Vitro* diagnostic use only

When a blood vessel is damaged, platelets adhere to the wound edges, aggregate, synthesize prostaglandins, and release serotonin, ADP, and ATP. Synthesis of prostaglandins and release products causes further aggregation. Simultaneously, the coagulation cascade begins, thrombin is produced, fibrin is formed, and the platelet plug anchors to the damaged vessel.

Defects in platelet function, due to lack of a cell membrane glycoprotein (Glanzmann thrombasthenia; Bernard-Soulier syndrome), cytoplasmic storage granules (shortage of storage pool), a platelet enzyme (shortage of cyclooxygenase) or a plasma factor (von Willebrand disease) cause frequent post-traumatic bleeding, hematomas, epistaxis or excessive bleeding during menstruation.

Platelets undergo aggregation under different conditions and in the presence of different reactants (stimuli). The term “platelet aggregation” means the adhesion of one platelet to another. This phenomenon can be induced by adding aggregating agents to a platelet-rich plasma (PRP) or to whole blood. Aggregation is dependent on the presence of calcium, fibrinogen, plasma factors, and an aggregating agent. The aggregation reaction varies depending on the aggregating agent used and its concentration. For optical aggregometry (on PRP), ADP, Collagen, Epinephrine (Adrenaline) and Ristocetin are used for screening purposes and are able to provide useful information to make preliminary diagnostic hypotheses.

The choice of these reagents is based on their mechanism of action. ADP and Epinephrine (adrenaline) are contained in platelet granules and are released during the formation of the primary haemostatic plug, thereby potentiating the aggregation reaction. Therefore, the response of platelets to the stimulus generated *in vitro* with these agonists may be useful in recognizing the nature of the patient's bleeding disorders.

Aggregation is, at present, the most useful *in vitro* platelet function test. It is the diagnostic tool that can best provide insight that is difficult to obtain with other techniques and can help make a diagnosis and devise appropriate therapy. The use of this technique by experienced personnel has made it possible to describe and diagnose a number of congenital and acquired qualitative platelet dysfunctions. The ability or inability of platelets to respond to different aggregating stimuli is the starting point for identifying the type of platelet disease one is facing.

ADRENALINE 5 mM is a kit for the evaluation of platelet aggregation on adrenaline-induced PRP.

2 - PRINCIPLE OF THE METHOD

When Adrenaline is added to platelet rich plasma, it stimulates platelets to change shape and to aggregate. The aggregation induced by Adrenaline is primary aggregation. The normal platelets release endogenous ADP from its granules. The release of endogenous ADP occurs in a second wave of aggregation.

3 - MATERIALS PROVIDED – PACKAGING

Product	Type	REF	Pack
ADRENALINE 5 mM	Platelet aggregation test	311501BL (9x0,5 mL)	9 glass vials containing lyophilized adrenaline. Reconstitute each vial with 0,5 mL of bidistilled water to have a solution 5 mM. (9 x 0,5 mL) 1 glass vial containing Diluent A: buffer for dilution with TRIS, pH 7,3 (1 x 50 mL) Secondary packaging: cardboard box.

Lyophile

Danger



H300; H318

EUH031

P305+P351+P338; P310; P264; P330

(Sodium bisulphite; Epinephrine bitartrate)

4 - MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

Tubes in siliconized glass or plastic, pipettes. Bidistilled water. Centrifuge. Aggregometer.

5 - PRECAUTIONS AND WARNINGS

- ADRENALINE 5 mM is a kit for *in vitro* diagnostic, for professional use only; it is to be used by adequately trained and qualified laboratory personnel.
- Do not use after expiration date. The quality of the reagent cannot be guaranteed beyond their shelf-life date or if the reagents are stored under inappropriate conditions.
- Normal precautions exercised in handling laboratory reagents should be followed. Dispose of waste observing all local, state, provincial or national regulations.
- All operations linked to the use of the test must be performed in accordance with Good Laboratory Practices.
- All the specimens should be considered potentially hazardous and handled in the same manner as an infectious agent.
- This product is classified as dangerous according to current European legislation (view above table and consulting the MSDS).
- The Certificates of Analysis and the Safety Data Sheet of the product are available on the website www.masciabrunelli.it.
- The information provided in this document has been defined to the best of our knowledge and ability and represents a guideline for the proper use of the product but without obligation or liability. In all cases existing local laws, regulations and standard procedures must be observed for the examination of samples collected from human organic districts samples. Our information does not relieve our customers from their responsibility for checking the suitability of our product for the intended purpose.
- Notify Mascia Brunelli Spa and the Relevant Authorities of any serious incidents occurring in connection with the *in vitro* diagnostic device. complaint@masciabrunelli.it

6 - STORAGE CONDITIONS AND SHELF LIFE

Store the kit at +2 - +8°C. The kit is stable until expiration date printed on the package label. After reconstitution and taking of the amount required for the test, the vials of **adrenaline** should be removed. The **Diluent A** can be used more times.

7 – SPECIMENS COLLECTION

Collect the sample from an antecubital vein without stasis by slowly drawing up the blood with the syringe and slowly expelling it (after having removed the needle), into the collection tube; avoid haemolysis. Carry out the venepuncture with a plastic syringe and mix 9 volumes of blood with 1 volume of trisodium citrate 3.8% in a plastic or siliconized tube. Centrifuge the blood $100-170 \times g$ for 15minutes, carefully draw off the supernatant (PRP) and carry out a platelet





count on this. Re-centrifuge the remaining citrated blood at 2000 g for 20 minutes and decant the supernatant (PPP). Maintain the PRP at room temperature and carry out the test within 3 hours.

8 – PREPARATION OF WORKING SOLUTION

Before use dilute two a 0,1 ml aliquots of **Adrenaline** (previously reconstitute) with 4,9 ml and 0,9 ml of **Diluent A** to obtain two working solutions at concentrations of 0,1 mM and 0,5 mM respectively. Working solution is stable for 60 minutes at RT. Each vial contains sufficient reagent to carry out **100 aggregation test**.

9 – TEST PROCEDURE

For a routine examination, carryout the test at 2 Adrenaline concentrations in order to induce a biphasic aggregation (1,0 µM) and an irreversible monophasic aggregation (10 µM).

1. Prepare PRP and PPP as described in section 7.
2. Add 500 µl (250 µl*) of PRP to an aggregation cuvette containing stirring bar and incubate at 37°C for 3 minutes.
3. Add 500 µl (250 µl*) of PPP to an aggregation cuvette without stirrer.
4. Place PRP and PPP cuvettes in corresponding instrument sample wells and follow manufacturer’s instruction for setting base lines.
5. Bring Adrenaline to room temperature and swirl to mix.
6. Add 5,0 µl (2,5 µl*) Adrenaline 0,1 mM to PRP cuvette to obtain biphasic aggregation. Add 10 µl (5,0 µl*) Adrenaline 0,5 mM to obtain monophasic irreversible aggregation.
7. Record platelet aggregation response for a minimum of 5 minutes.

*The figures in parentheses are half volumes that a lot of aggregometers can now handle; if it was necessary to use the proper rubber adhesive spacers.

10 – INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

NOTE: The following normal ranges were obtained from various laboratories and publications. They should be used only as a guideline. Normal ranges should be established for aggregation in each individual laboratory.

Normal subjects	Adrenaline - Conc. less than 0,2 µM	aggregation reversible.
	Adrenaline – Conc. between 0,2 and 5,0 µM	aggregation biphasic with secondary wave induced by endogenous aggregating agents.
	Adrenaline - Conc .above 5,0 µM:	aggregation monophasic irreversible (% aggregation 78-88%) ¹

11 – CHARACTERISTICS

This product will perform as described prior to its expiration date when procedural and storage directions are followed.

Linearity, accuracy, precision.

Platelet aggregation induced by common aggregating reagents (ADP, Arachidonic Acid, Collagen and Adrenaline) is a nonlinear test system for some parameters: Lag Phase, Primary Slope, Secondary Slope, biphasic response and disaggregation. The non-linearity is caused by many factors such as the reaction chemistry and instrumentation. Platelet aggregation measures a response rate or activity that is not a quantitative measure of the reactants or their concentration. In platelet aggregation, accuracy is a relative parameter and is dependent on the test system. The limitations of platelet aggregation make it difficult to provide typical precision or reproducibility ranges.

12 – NOTES

- **Epinephrine is not recommended as a standard agonist for whole blood testing clinically.** As a fewer than 50% respond to this very weak agonist.
- To test at the same time optical test on PRP and the release of ATP with **bioluminescent** technique should work on a **lumi-aggregometer**. (Example 700-2). Refer to the Technical Manual and the instructions in User Manual of instrument.

13 – LIMITATIONS OF THE METHOD

- In a study of one hundred and six patients with Storage Pool Disease (SPD), 23% had normal optical aggregation (PRP) responses to ADP, epinephrine, and collagen and 44% had miscellaneous aggregation abnormalities. The authors concluded that SPD is common, heterogeneous and not necessarily associated with optical aggregation (PRP) abnormalities.²
- Testing should be performed within 3 hours of collection.
- Many drugs inhibit platelet function.^{3,4,5} Unless the purpose of the test is to demonstrate drug-induced inhibition, patients should be drug free for a period ranging from ten (10) days to two (2) weeks before testing.
- Further clinical and laboratory evaluations may be necessary to confirm the diagnosis.
- Red blood cells in PRP may inhibit the ability of the Aggregometer to detect changes in light intensity. This could result in an underestimation of the percentage value of platelet aggregation.⁵
- Lipids in PRP may interfere with the light transmission reading and prevent the recording of aggregation.
- Platelet counts less than 50,000 plt/µL may cause problems with the optical baseline setting, preventing the recording of aggregation.

14 – REFERENCES

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TABLE OF APPLICABLE SYMBOLS

	In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Device		Temperature limitation		Batch code (DXXX)		Manufacturer		Keep dry		Unique device identifier
	Consult Instructions for use		Use by (year/month)		Catalogue number		Do not reuse		Fragile, handle with care		Keep away from heat

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