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# ALT GPT (IFCC)

Reagent for quantitative determination of Alanine amino transferase activity (ALT)  
[EC 2.6.1.2] in human serum and plasma

REF LP80507	R1 4 x 30 mL	R2 1 x 30 mL
REF LP80607	R1 4 x 100 mL	R2 1 x 100 mL

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IN VITRO DIAGNOSTIC USE

## CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE (1) (2)

ALT is present in very high amounts in liver and kidney, and in smaller amounts in skeletal muscle and heart. Although serum levels of both AST and ALT become elevated whenever diseases process affecting liver cells integrity, ALT is the more liver-specific enzyme. A serum elevation of ALT activity is rarely observed in conditions other than parenchymal liver disease (cirrhosis, carcinoma, hepatitis, obstructive jaundice or liver stroke). Moreover, its elevation persists longer than do those of AST activity. Measurement of both AST and ALT has some value in distinguishing hepatitis from other parenchymal lesions.

## PRINCIPLE (4) (5) (6)

Method developed by Wroblewski and La Due, optimised by Henry and Bergmeyer (following modified IFCC recommendations). Reaction scheme is as follows:



The decrease in absorbance proportional to ALT activity in the specimen, is measured at 340 nm.

Absence of P<sub>s</sub>P allows a better stability of working reagent.

## REAGENTS COMPOSITION

### R1 BUFFER ENZYMES BUF ENZ ALT

L-Alanine	700 mmol/L
LDH	≥ 2500 UI/L
EDTA	6 mmol/L
Tris Buffer	135 mmol/L
pH à 30°C	7.50 ± 0.1
Stabilizer	

### R2 COENZYME COENZ ALT

Tris Buffer	20 mmol/L
NADH	≤ 1.4 mmol/L
2-Oxoglutarate	80 mmol/L
Stabilizer	

According to 1272/2008 regulation (CLP), these reagents are not classified as dangerous

## REAGENTS PREPARATION

Ready for use.

## MATERIAL REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

- Medical analysis laboratory equipment.
- Spectrophotometer or Biochemistry Clinical Analyzer



## SAFETY CAUTIONS

BIOLABO reagents are designated for professional, in vitro diagnostic use (do not pipette with mouth).

- Refer to current Material Safety Data Sheet available on request or on www.biolabo.fr
- Verify the integrity of the contents before use.
- Waste disposal: Respect legislation in force in the country.

All specimens should be handled as potentially infectious, in accordance with good laboratory practices using appropriate precautions. Respect legislation in force in the country.

## STABILITY AND STORAGE

Stored away from light, well cap in the original vial at 2-8°C, reagent is stable when stored and used as described in the insert:

Unopened,

- Until the expiry date stated on the label of the Kit.

Once opened:

- Transfer requested quantity, well recap vials and store at 2-8°C,
- 2 separated reagents are stable at least 6 months without contamination
- Discard any cloudy reagent or if reagent blank is < 1.000 at 340nm.

## SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND HANDLING (2) (7)

Unhemolysed serum. Do not use heparinised plasma.

ALT is stable in serum or plasma for:

- 24 hours at room temperature.
- 7 days at 2-8°C.

## LIMITS (3) (6)

LDH contained in reagent allows, during pre-incubation step, the reduction of endogenous pyruvate which would positively interfere.

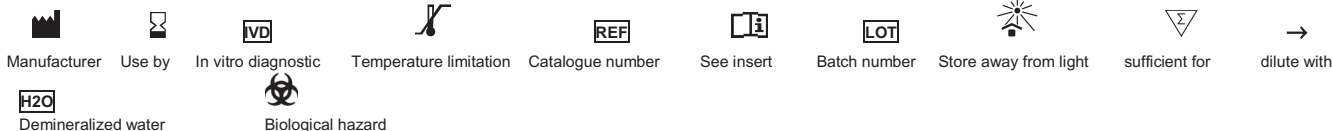
Elevated ALT level may involve NADH depletion during pre-incubation stage, which may lead to under-estimated results. In case of lipemic or icteric specimens, increased absorbance may mask this phenomenon. It's recommended to check these specimens diluted (1 + 4) in saline solution.

For a more comprehensive review of factors affecting this assay refer to the publication of Young D.S.

## CALIBRATION

- REF 95015 BIOLABO Multicalibrator traceable to *ERM-AD454k*

The calibration frequency depends on proper instrument functions and on the preservation of reagent



## QUALITY CONTROL

- REF 95010 BIOLABO EXATROL-N Level I
- REF 95011 BIOLABO EXATROL-P Level II

External quality control program

It is recommended to control in the following cases:

- At least once a run
- At least once within 24 hours
- When changing vial of reagent
- After maintenance operations on the instrument

If control is out of range, apply following actions:

1. Repeat the test with the same control
2. If control is still out of range, prepare a fresh control serum and repeat the test
3. If control is still out of range, verify analysis parameters: Wavelength, temperature, specimen/reagent ratio, time counting, calibration factor
4. If control is still out of range, use a new vial of reagent and re-assay
5. If control is still out of range, please contact BIOLABO technical support or your local Agent

## EXPECTED VALUES (2)

UI/L	at 30°C	at 37°C
Newborns, Infants	9-32	13-45
Men	7-28	10-40
Women	5-25	7-35

Each laboratory should establish its own normal ranges for the population it serves.

## PERFORMANCES at 37°C on KENZA 240TX

**Linearity Range:** between 10 and 390 IU/L

**Detection limit:** approx. 9 IU/L

**Precision:**

Within-run N = 20	Low level	Normal level	High level	Between run N = 20	Low level	Normal level	High level
Mean (IU/L)	19.9	55.6	185.7	Mean (IU/L)	19.7	55.6	185.0
S.D. IU/L	0.9	2.0	2.5	S.D. IU/L	1.0	2.5	5.0
C.V. %	4.3	3.6	1.4	C.V. %	4.9	4.6	2.7

**Comparison studies with commercially available reagent:**

Realised on human specimens (n=100) between 5 and 400 IU/L

$$y = 0.9900x + 0.2592 \quad r = 0.9985$$

**Analytical sensitivity:** approx. 0.0066 abs/min for 10 IU/L

**Interferences:**

Total bilirubin	Negative interference from 219 µmol/L
Direct bilirubin	No interference up to 420 µmol/L
Ascorbic acid	No interference up to 2500 mg/dL
Glucose	No interference up to 1060 mg/dL
Turbidity	Positive interference from 0.152 OD
Haemoglobin	Positive interference from 128 µmol/L

Other substances may interfere (see § Limits)

**On the board stability:** 2 separate reagents are stable 60 days.

**Calibration Frequency:** 30 days

Make a new calibration when changing reagent batch, if quality control results are found out of the established range and after maintenance operations.

## PROCEDURE

Detailed KENZA 240TX procedure is available on request.

Wavelength: 340 nm

Temperature: 37°C

Let stand reagents and specimens at room temperature

	Automated analyzer	Manual procedure
<b>Reagent 1</b>	200 µL	800 µL
<b>Reagent 2</b>	50 µL	200 µL
Mix. Wait for 15 sec then add:		
<b>Calibrator, Control or Specimen</b>	25 µL	100 µL
Mix. After 60 sec, measure variation of absorbance per minute (ΔAbs/min) during 180 sec.		

**Note:**

1-Performances and stability data have been validated on KENZA 240TX and KENZA 450TX

2- With Manual Procedure on Spectrophotometer and on other biochemistry analyzers, performances and stability data should be validated by user

3- Applications proposal are available on request

## CALCULATION

**With Seric Muticalibrator:**

$$\text{ALT Activity} = \frac{(\Delta\text{Abs/min}) \text{ Specimen}}{(\Delta\text{Abs/min}) \text{ Calibrator}} \times \text{Calibrator Activity}$$

**With Theoretical Factor:**

Activity (U/L) = ΔAbs/min x Factor

$$\text{Factor} = \frac{\text{VR} \times 1000}{6.3 \times \text{VE} \times \text{P}}$$

With:

VR = Total reactional volume (mL)

VE = Specimen volume (mL)

6.3 = Molar extinction coefficient for NADH at 340nm

P = Pathlength (cm).

Example, with Manual Procedure,

(Pathlength 1 cm, 37°C, 340 nm):

$$\text{IU/L} = (\Delta\text{Abs/min}) \times 1746$$

$$\mu\text{Kat/L} = \frac{\text{UI/L}}{60}$$

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