Reagent Red Blood Cells
Biotestcell®-I 8
Biotestcell® I 11
Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus
3.0 to 3.4% FOR USE IN IDENTIFICATION OF UNEXPECTED ANTIBODIES WITH TANGO® INSTRUMENTS AND BY TUBE TEST*
*Tube test is not approved by Health Canada
FOR IN VITRO DIAGNOSTIC USE
NO U.S. STANDARD OF POTENCY
U.S. License Number: 1845

Pack Size

| REF   | 816020100 VOL 8 x 4 mL Biotestcell®-I 8
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| 816021100 | 11 x 4 mL Biotestcell®-I 11
| 816022100 | 11 x 4 mL Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus

Intended Use
Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell® I 11 and Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus are used for the identification of unexpected antibodies in tube test and solid phase test Solidscreen® II with the TANGO® instruments. Tube test is not approved by Health Canada.

Summary
Antibody identification is used to determine specificity and possible clinical significance of antibodies against red blood cell antigens detected in the method used for detection of unexpected antibodies. This determination is important for the selection of products for transfusion as well as for pre-natal care.

Bio-Rad Reagent Red Blood Cells Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell® I 11 and Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus are used to determine the specificity of an antibody detected by the previous antibody screening or crossmatch. Routine pretransfusion studies always include tests for the antibody identification of detected antibodies to red blood cells.

Principle of the Test
Antigens of the Reagent Red Blood Cells react with the corresponding antibodies in the serum or plasma directly or after addition of Anti-Human Globulin. In a tube test agglutination will occur. In solid phase test Solidscreen® II a uniform layer of red blood cells on the micro test plate wells will occur.

Reagent
Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell® I 11 and Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus are Reagent Red Blood Cells with polyvalent antigens.
Biotestcell®-I 8 and Biotestcell® I 11 contain the following antigens: D, C, C*, E, c, K, k, Fy*, Fy2, Fy4, Lu*, Lu', Jk*, Jk', Jk', Jk*, Jk', M, N, S, s, Lea*, Lea', P, P*, Xg, Xg', Co, Co'. Biotestcell® I 11 contains the additional antigens: Js*, Dp*, and Kp*. Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus contains the following antigens: D, C, C*, c, K, k, Fy*, Fy2, Fy4, Lu*, Lu', Jk*, Jk', Jk', Jk*, Jk', M, N, s, Lea*, Lea', P, P*, Xg, Xg', Co, Co', and if available C*, Lu*, Js*, Dp*, and Kp*. For the antigen content of each production lot, please refer to the enclosed table. Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell® I 11 and Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus are also suited for use with enzymes (papain, ficin, bromelin, trypsin) or enhancement reagents (e.g. albumin, LISS). The life span of enzyme treated Reagent Red Blood Cells is listed in the instructions for use of the respective enzymes.
Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell® I 11 and Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus are suspended 3.0 to 3.4% in a modified Alsevers solution and can be used immediately after careful resuspension.

Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell® I 11 and Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus are produced every 4 weeks.

Preservative:
0.01% Neomycin, 0.033% Chloramphenicol, 5 ppm Amphotericin B

Precautions:
• For in vitro diagnostic use.
• Store at 2 to 8°C.
• Do not use beyond the expiration date.
• Do not use damaged vials.
• Do not use if markedly hemolyzed or discolored.
• Handle and dispose of reagents as potentially infectious.
• Caution: Do not pipette by mouth. The absence of all viruses has not been determined.
• Caution: ALL BLOOD PRODUCTS SHOULD BE TREATED AS POTENTIALLY INFECTIOUS. source MATERIAL FROM WHICH THIS PRODUCT WAS DERIVED WAS FOUND NEGATIVE WHEN TESTED WITH FDA LICENSED EIA/ELISA TESTS. NAT TESTING WAS NOT PERFORMED. NO KNOWN TEST METHOD CAN OFFER ASSURANCE THAT PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM HUMAN BLOOD WILL NOT TRANSMIT INFECTIOUS AGENTS.
• Caution: This Product Contains Natural Rubber Latex Which May Cause Allergic Reactions.

• Do not use beyond seven days when loaded on the TANGO® instruments.
• Do not use samples collected with gel separators of any kind.

Specimen Collection
Tube Test and Automated Method
Fresh samples of clotted or EDTA anticoagulated whole blood collected following general blood sampling guidelines are acceptable. The specimens should be stored as soon as possible after collection. If testing is delayed, specimens should be stored at 2 to 8°C or the plasma or serum can be separated from the red blood cell and frozen. Stored samples should be allowed to reach room temperature prior to testing.

Blood specimens exhibiting gross hemolysis or contamination should not be used. Do not use specimens collected with gel separators. A distinct separation between plasma and red blood cells must be visible for testing. Samples may be centrifuged or allowed to settle.

Clotted and EDTA samples older than ten days for tube methods and older than seven days for automated methods may be tested, however antibody reactivity has been shown to decrease in older samples.

Materials
Material provided
• Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell®-I 11 or Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus

Material required but not provided
A. Tube Test
• Pipettes
• Isotonic saline
• Anti-Human Globulin Anti-IgG (e.g. Bio-Rad [REF] 804175100)
• Anti-Human Globulin Anti-IgG, -C3d, Polyspecific (e.g. Bio-Rad [REF] 804115100)
• IgG coated red blood cells (e.g. Bio-Rad Coombscell-E [REF] 816030100)
• Potentiators (e.g. MLB 2 Bio-Rad Modified LISS [REF] 805201000 50 mL glass bottle or MLB 2 Bio-Rad Modified LISS [REF] 80520100 10 x 10 mL glass bottle (not for use with TANGO® instruments) or albumin (optional). The 10 mL MLB 2 glass bottle are not approved for tube testing by Health Canada).
• Glass tubes 10 x 75mm or 12 x 75mm
• Vial holder for TANGO® instruments
• Interval timer
• Markers
• Agglutination viewer (optional).

Material required but not provided
B. TANGO® instruments
• TANGO® optimo Bio-Rad [REF] 848900010
• TANGO® infinity™ Bio-Rad [REF] 850000010
• Solidscreen® II Bio-Rad [REF] 806521100
• Anti-Human Globulin, Anti-IgG Solidscreen® II [REF] 806516100
• MLB 2 (Modified LISS Bio-Rad [REF] 805201000
• Solidscreen® II Control B [REF] 806514100
• Solidscreen® II Negative Control [REF] 806509100
• Alsevers Solution [REF] 806510100
• Washing Solution Concentrate [REF] 848000091
• Denitrogen water
• Cell mixers

Test Procedure
Resuspend Reagent Red Blood Cells prior to use and allow to reach room temperature. The procedures below are intended as guidelines. It may be desirable to modify these procedures based on in-house requirements or standard operating procedures.

The 3-phase-test (tube technique) with Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell® I 11 and Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus has not been approved by Health Canada for use on the Canadian market.

A. 3-phase-tube-test
If an enzyme or enhancement reagents (albumin, LISS) is used, please refer to the respective instructions for use. If an autoclave was not performed with antibody detection testing, it should be performed with antibody identification testing.

Phase 1: Immediate Spin
1. Place two drops (approx. 40 to 50 µL each) of serum/plasma to be tested into each tube labelled for a selected red blood cell.
2. Add 1 drop of corresponding Biotestcell® Reagent Red Blood Cell suspension to the appropriate tube and mix.
3. Centrifuge for:
   a. 20 seconds at 800 to 1000 g or
   b. at a time and speed appropriate for the centrifuge calibration.
4. Gently dislodge the red blood cell button and observe for macroscopic agglutination or hemolysis. Negative reactions may be examined with an agglutination viewer, however, microscopic examination is not recommended.
5. Record results.
Often the immediate centrifugation test shows expression of anti-M, -N, -P and cold reactive antibodies.

**Phase 2: Incubation**

Refer to instructions for the enhancement reagent being used.

6. Incubate at 36 to 38°C for 30 to 60 minutes or as appropriate to the enhancement reagent used.

7. Centrifuge for:
   a. 20 seconds at 800 to 1000 x g or,
   b. at a time and speed appropriate for the centrifuge calibration.

8. Gently dislodge the red blood cell button and observe for macroscopic agglutination, or hemolysis. Negative reactions may be examined with an agglutination viewer, however, microscopic examination is not recommended.

9. Record results.

With the centrifugation test after incubation mainly Rh-antibodies as well as some incomplete antibodies are detected.

**Phase 3: Indirect Antiglobulin-Test (IAT)**

10. Wash the red blood cells 3 times with isotonic saline. Decant supernatant saline completely.

11. Follow the directions of the Anti-Human Globulin manufacturer.

12. Centrifuge for:
   a. 20 seconds at 800 to 1000 x g or
   b. at a time and speed appropriate for the centrifuge calibration

13. Gently dislodge the red blood cell button and observe for macroscopic agglutination. Negative reactions may be examined with an agglutination viewer, however, microscopic examination is not recommended.

14. Record results.

15. To control all negative antiglobulin tests, add red blood cells sensitized with IgG antibody, e.g. Coombscell E (see package insert for procedure).

This test shows IgG antibodies such as anti-Duffy, anti-Kidd, all Rh-antibodies.

**B. Solidscreen® II and TANGO® instruments**

Detailed test procedure instructions as well as details for the evaluation of test results are given in the respective instrument User Manual.

**Stability of the Reaction**

**Tube Test**

Following centrifugation, all tube tests should be read immediately and results interpreted without delay. Time delays may cause a dissociation of the antigen-antibody complexes resulting to false negative or more often weak positive reactions.

**Quality Control**

For quality control the Biotestcell Reagent Red Blood Cells intended for antibody identification should be tested according to any site specific procedures.

**Interpretation of QC**

The tests are considered valid if the expected results for the controls are obtained. If the controls do not give the expected results, you must determine the cause for the failed QC.

Follow institutional SOP for repeat testing of QC samples, repeat testing of patient/donor samples and documentation of QC results and corrective action if required.

Please contact Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc., (800-224-6723) if controls repeatedly fail to give expected results.

**Interpretation of Results**

**Tube Test**

Agglutination of the red blood cells is a positive result and indicates the presence of an unexpected antibody(ies). No agglutination is a negative result and indicates that no unexpected antibody was detected.

An agglutination viewer may facilitate the reading of tube tests (as recommended by the AABB Technical Manual,)^1^ The positive and negative reactions are compared to the Biotestcell® -I 8,-I 11 and -I 11 Plus antigen pattern and are read accordingly. For verification an additional antigen test of the red blood cells may be performed.

**TANGO® instruments**

Refer to the respective instrument User Manual and Solidscreen® II package insert for detailed instructions on the interpretation of reactions.

**Limitations**

- Negative reactions and subsequent positive reactions with IgG coated red blood cells indicate that the serum contains no detectable antibodies against one of the antigens present on the Reagent Red Blood Cells (enclosed antigen pattern).
- Because some antibodies show dosage effect, the antigen density on the Reagent Red Blood Cells needs to be considered when evaluating the test results (homozygous or heterozygous hereditary disposition). A heterozygous expression of the antigen may result in non-detection of weak antibodies depending on the test method used.
- In very rare cases HLA-antigens within the product may lead to false positive reactions.
- Reagent Red Blood Cells not adequately resuspended prior to placing on the instrument may result in false positive result interpretation when performing testing with TANGO® instruments.
- The reactivity of the product may decrease during the dating period and therefore should not be used after the expiration date. The rate of decrease in reactivity is partially dependant on individual donor characteristics that are neither controlled nor predicted by the manufacturer.
- Negative reactions will be obtained if the sample contains antibodies present in concentrations too low to be detected by the test method employed. No test method is capable of detecting all red cell antibodies.
- The 3-phase-test (tube technique) with Biotestcell®-I 8, Biotestcell®-I 11 and Biotestcell®-I 11 Plus has not been approved by Health Canada for use on the Canadian market.

**Specific Performance Characteristics**

Testing is performed in accordance with FDA recommended methods.

The final release testing is performed according to the product specific SOPs. As part of the release process each lot of Bio-Rad Reagent Red Blood Cells is tested according to the package insert method against a panel of blood grouping reagents to insure suitable reactivity. To exclude a mix-up of the Reagent Red Blood Cells with identical Rh phenotype at least one differential antigen has to be tested. The result must react appropriately positive or negative.

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For the product performance it is necessary to adhere to the recommended method in the instructions for use.

For Technical Support or further product information, contact Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc., at 800-224-6723.

**Note**

Manual techniques are to be performed according to the manufacturer’s instructions. Each deviation from these instructions is the sole responsibility of the user. Used test material must be discarded as hazardous material. Manage waste according to local, state and national regulations.

**Glossary of Symbols**

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