

Insulin-like Growth Factor-II ELISA E30 / RIA R30

Insulin-like growth factors (IGF) -I and -II play a pivotal role in regulating the proliferation, differentiation and specific functions of many cell types. IGF-II has a molecular weight of 7469 Da and shares about 60% amino acid homology with IGF-I. IGF-II is bound by the IGF-I receptor as well as by the Mannose-6-phosphate receptor.

Physiological function of IGF-II is manifold. It is involved in several growth and maturation processes, it stimulates cell division and cell differentiation in target tissues. In human serum IGF-II is bound to its binding proteins.

Clinical Relevance

Scientific investigations in the field of neonatal hypertrophy (IGF-II is a foetal growth factor) and malignancies (IGF-II is a monogenic growth factor).

IGF-II seems to be of use in differential diagnostics of malignancies. Thus, it is possible to differentiate by IGF-II between adrenocortical carcinomas and adenomas. Further tumor staging and differentiation between hyperplasia and carcinoma can be improved by IGF-II measurements in prostate tumors. The IGF-System seem to be of relevance in neuro-degeneration as well, e.g. Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases.

Mediagnost IGF-II Assays

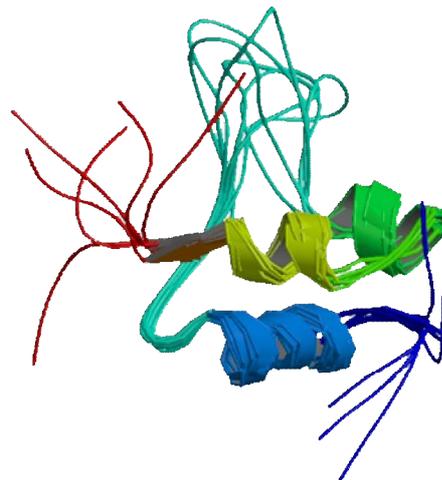
Our IGF-II assays are suited for measuring IGF-II in human **serum, and other human biological fluids** (e.g. follicular fluid) or cell culture supernatants and are **calibrated against** the international standard of the WHO (**WHO NIBSC 96/538**).

No cross reactivity to other components of the IGF system of relevance is known.

Small sample requirement is ideal for use in paediatrics.

This assay is easy, fast and results **do not depend on the binding protein concentration** of the sample. It is based on the high specificity of the employed antibodies for IGF-II.

There is virtually no cross-reactivity with IGF-I. This allows the separation of IGF-II from the binding proteins **by acidification and blocking of the free binding proteins** with IGF-I. Thus, the endogenous IGF-II is free in solution.



PDB Model of IGF2 (www.pdb.org)

Mediagnost IGF-II ELISA is produced according EC Directive 98/79EG (O) and thus have the **European Approval for Clinical Diagnostics**.

Assay Features ELISA E30

- ü **No extraction required because of IGF-I excess!**
- ü Incubation time of 3h only
- ü Analytical sensitivity of **0.02 ng/ml**
- ü 5 single standards included (0.45 - 9 ng/ml)
- ü Assay range **0.02 to 3600 ng/ml** (with recommended dilution)
- ü 2 human native control sera included
- ü minimal cross-reactivity to IGF-I

Assay Features RIA R30

- ü **No extraction required because of IGF-I excess!**
- ü Incubation time 2 days and 1.5 h
- ü Analytical sensitivity of **0.1 ng/ml**
- ü 8 single standards included (0.4-50 ng/ml)
- ü Assay range **0.1 to 5050 ng/ml** (with recommended dilution)
- ü 2 human native control sera included
- ü Minimal cross-reactivity to IGF-I

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Reconstitution / Dilution of Reagents		
Standards A-E	Reconstitution in Sample Buffer PP	500 µl
Control Serum KS1	Reconstitution in Sample Buffer PP	250 µl
Control Serum KS2	Reconstitution in Sample Buffer PP	250 µl
Wash Buffer WP	dilute in A. dest. (e.g. total volume of 50 ml in a graduated flask and fill up to 1000 ml)	1:20
Sample + Control Sera KS1 and KS2: dilute 1:401 in Sample Buffer PP, mix immediately, incubate at least for 15 min, max. 2h. Use 50 µl for each well in the assay.		
Before conducting the assay equilibrate all reagents to room temperature.		
Pipette	Reagent	Position
50 µl	Antibody Conjugate AK	in all wells used
50 µl	Sample Buffer PP (blank)	A1 and A2
50 µl	Standard A (0.45 ng/ml)	B1 and B2
50 µl	Standard B (1.5 ng/ml)	C1 and C2
50 µl	Standard C (3 ng/ml)	D1 and D2
50 µl	Standard D (5.63 ng/ml)	E1 and E2
50 µl	Standard E (9 ng/ml)	F1 and F2
50 µl	Control Serum KS1	G1 and G2
50 µl	Control Serum KS2	H1 and H2
50 µl	Samples	following wells
Cover the wells with the sealing tape.		
Incubation: 2 h at RT, 350 rpm		
5x 300 µl	Aspirate the contents of the wells and wash 5x with 300 µl Wash Buffer WP	each well
100 µl	Enzyme Conjugate EK	each well
Incubation: 30 min at RT, 350 rpm		
5x 300 µl	Aspirate the contents of the wells and wash 5x with 300 µl Wash Buffer WP	each well
100 µl	Substrate S	each well
Incubation: 30 min in the dark RT		
100 µl	Stop Solution SL	each well
Measure the absorbance within 30 min at 450 nm with ≥ 590 nm as reference wavelength.		