

ENVOY® 500 URIC ACID REAGENT KIT

Product no. 55450

For *in vitro* diagnostic use

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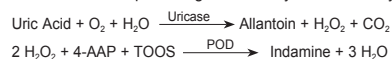
INTENDED USE

Envoy® 500 Uric Acid Reagent is for the quantitative determination of uric acid in serum and plasma on Envoy 500 Series Analysers.

SUMMARY

Uric acid is the major breakdown product of the purine nucleosides. Elevated uric acid levels are usually caused by increased synthesis or dietary intake of purines, or by reduced excretion through the kidneys or gastrointestinal tract. Gout occurs when monosodium urate crystals form in supersaturated body fluids resulting in gouty arthritis and renal disease. Hypouricemia is less common and usually associated with reduced purine synthesis or reduced reabsorption of uric acid in the kidney.¹

Early methods for detecting uric acid, which were based on the reduction of phosphotungstic acid, have been largely replaced by enzymatic methods, which offer greater specificity. These methods utilize uricase to oxidize uric acid. This reaction can be monitored directly at 290 nm or coupled to various indicator reactions. The Envoy 500 method uses the hydrogen peroxide produced in the oxidation step to drive a Trinder indicator reaction producing an intensely colored red dye.



Uric acid is oxidized in the presence of oxygen and uricase. The resulting hydrogen peroxide reacts with 4-aminoantipyrine (4-AAP) and N-ethyl-N-(hydroxy-3-sulfo-propyl)-toluidine (TOOS) to form an indamine dye that absorbs strongly at 546 nm. The increase in absorbance is proportional to the concentration of uric acid in the sample. Potassium ferrocyanide and ascorbic oxidase are added to the reagent to reduce interference from bilirubin and ascorbic acid.

REAGENTS

COMPOSITION

The Envoy 500 Uric Acid Reagent 1 contains: 100 mmol/L Phosphate buffer, pH 7.0, 1.25 mmol/L N-ethyl-N-(hydroxy-3-sulfo-propyl)-toluidine (TOOS), ≥ 1.2 kU/L Ascorbate oxidase.

Uric Acid Reagent 2 contains: 100 mmol/L Phosphate buffer, pH 7.0, 1.5 mmol/L 4-Aminoantipyrine, 50 μmol/L Potassium ferrocyanide, ≥ 5kU/L Peroxidase (POD), ≥ 250 U/L Uricase (microbial).

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- This reagent is for professional *in vitro* diagnostic use only.
- Take normal precautions and adhere to good laboratory practice.
- Use clean or single use laboratory equipment only to avoid contaminations.
- These reagents contains sodium azide, which may react with lead or copper plumbing to form potentially explosive metal azides. When disposing of these reagent always flush with copious amounts of water to prevent azide buildup.
- Dispose of contents in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations.
- For more information, Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is available on request for professional user.

PREPARATION

Both Uric Acid Reagent 1 and Uric Acid Reagent 2 are ready for use on the Envoy 500 Analyzer as packaged.

STORAGE AND STABILITY

Store these reagents at 2 to 8 °C and protected from light. Do not freeze. Unopened reagents are stable to the expiration dates on the bottle labels. The working reagent is stable for 21 days onboard the Envoy 500 Analyzer.

SPECIMENS

COLLECTION AND STORAGE

- Fresh unhemolyzed serum and heparinized plasma are acceptable specimens. Do not analyze whole blood. Collect specimens by venipuncture according to accepted clinical protocol.¹
- Venipuncture should be performed prior to the administration of drugs. Of particular note, venipuncture performed during an acetaminophen overdose situation, when N-acetyl-p-benzoquinone imine (NAPQI) an atypical metabolic breakdown product of acetaminophen, may be present, may lead to erroneously low uric acid results. Venipuncture performed during or immediately after administration of N-acetylcysteine (NAC), a drug used to treat acetaminophen overdose, or Metamizole may lead to erroneously low uric acid results.
- For best results, use only fresh specimens. Uric acid in serum and plasma is stable for at least 3 to 5 days at 2 to 6 °C or for at least six months at -20 °C.³

COMPATIBLE ADDITIVES

Acceptable chemical preservatives are sodium, lithium, and ammonium heparin. Do not use any other chemical additives.

PROCEDURE

MATERIALS PROVIDED

The Envoy 500 Uric Acid Reagent Kit includes the following components:

- 8 x 31.5 mL boats of Envoy 500 Uric Acid Reagent 1
- 8 x 9.6 mL bottles of Envoy 500 Uric Acid Reagent 2

MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

- Envoy Serum Calibrator (product no. 55111)
- Envoy Serum Controls (product no. 55131)
- Normal Saline

REAGENT INSTALLATION AND USE

Program the instrument using the application parameters and programming instructions provided at the end of this Instructions For Use.

Refer to the Operator Manual for additional information on installing reagents and programming and running samples, calibrators, and controls.

The Envoy 500 Uric Acid Reagent is pre-assembled and ready to use as packaged. Small bottles may become separated from large boats during shipping. If this occurs, snap the small bottles back onto the large reagent boats before continuing.

Do not remove the caps from the bottles until you are ready to install the reagent on the analyzer. Before installing, mix the reagent by inverting the reagent boat several times. Record the installation date on the label and insert the unit into the designated position on the reagent tray. Let the reagent equilibrate on the instrument for at least 30 minutes before use.

CALIBRATION

Calibrate the instrument after loading new reagent, after maintenance, and whenever quality control results fall outside established limits. Under typical use conditions, calibration factors for this test are valid for 21 days. Refer to the Operator Manual for calibration procedures.

QUALITY CONTROL

Quality control requirements should be established in accordance with local, state and/or federal regulations or accreditation requirements.

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APPLICATION PARAMETERS

PRIMARY PARAMETERS		CHECK PARAMETERS		SECONDARY PARAMETERS	
Code	URIC	Reagent Limit (mABS)	500	1 st Unit Serum	mg/dL
Bar-Code	Active	Curve Acceptance (%)	100	2 nd Unit Serum	Inactive
Code for Bar-Code	323	RE-RUN SERUM		1 st Unit Urine	N/A
Test Methodology	Uricase Colorimetric	Test Limit (Conc)	25	2 nd Unit Urine	Inactive
Method	Sample Blank (A)	Low Test Limit (Conc)	0.1	Dynamic Blank	Active
Kind of Process	Linear	Initial ABS (mABS)	N/A	Needle washes	[From Settings Table]
1st Filter	546	Final ABS (mABS)	N/A	Cuvette washes	[From Settings Table]
2nd Filter	700	Max ABS Delta (mABS)	N/A	Special Wash	[From Settings Table]
Reaction direction	Increasing	Prozone Check	Inactive	Instrumental Factor	1.000
REAGENTS	Number of reagents 2 Reagent 1 Volume µL 280 Concentrated Inactive Reagent 2 Volume µL 70 Concentrated Inactive	Normal Range	<u>Min</u> <u>Max</u>	Shift	0.000
		Man	[User defined]	Reagent Blank	Every Day
		Woman	[User defined]	Decimals	1
		Child	[User defined]	STANDARD PARAMETERS	
SAMPLE	Name <u>Serum</u> <u>Urine</u> Sample µL 6 N/A Pre-Dilution 1: 1 N/A Post-Dilution 1: 1 N/A	Re-run hyperactive	Inactive	Factor	[Determined by calibration]
		Re-run pathological	Inactive	Minimum	30
		RE-RUN URINE		Maximum	130
		Test Limit (Conc)	N/A	Number of Samples	1
TIMES	Sample Starter Inactive Delay Time 0 Reading Time 60 Reagent 1 Incubation Time 300 Reagent 2 Incubation Time 240	Low Test Limit	N/A	Max Var. (%)	10
		Initial ABS (mABS)	N/A	Timed re-run	Inactive
		Final ABS (mABS)	N/A	N. replicates	3
		Max ABS Delta (mABS)	N/A	Reagents ABS	[Determined by Envoy]
		Prozone Check	Inactive	Pos.	[From Settings Table]
		Normal Range	<u>Min</u> <u>Max</u>	Conc.	[From calibrator labeling]
		Man	N/A	ABS	[Determined by Envoy]
		Woman	N/A	% from last calibration	100
		Child	N/A		
		Re-run hyperactive	Inactive		
		Re-run pathological	Inactive		

PROGRAMMING INSTRUCTIONS

Detailed instructions for programming reagent parameters are provided in the Envoy 500 Operator Manual and Envoy 500 Settings Table.

If the Envoy 500 Chemistry System is not pre-programmed, an Uric Acid code must first be added before the parameters can be entered. On the menu bar, select «Test → Test Directory.» A new window will open up listing all the codes for the tests that are installed on the instrument. Click on the «New Code» button, type «URIC» into the Code field and select «Save.»

To program the application parameters, check the box next to the code for the Uric Acid test, and select the «Parameters» button located at the bottom of the window. To program standard information, click the «Standards» button located at the bottom of the window.

Assay at least two levels of serum control daily in serum controls for Envoy 500 level 1 and level 2 may be used. Controls should also be assayed after performing a reagent blank, calibrating, maintaining the instrument, and after loading a new reagent. Controls may be assayed more frequently based on laboratory workflow and the discretion of the user.

CALCULATIONS

All calculations are performed by the instrument.

LIMITATIONS / INTERFERING SUBSTANCES

- Do not report results outside of the usable range.
- The results of this assay should only be interpreted in conjunction with other diagnostic test results, clinical findings and the patient's medical history.
- Lipemia bilirubin, and ascorbic acid interfere with this test.
- Effects of icterus, hemolysis, and lipemia are shown through the assay of pools spiked with ditaur bilirubin, red blood cell hemolysate and Intralipid® 20% solution. Ascorbic acid was also tested as an interferant. Observed biases are shown below.

Effects of Common Substances on Uric Acid Recoveries

Interferant	Concentration	Changes in Recoveries
Ascorbic acid	1.8 mg/dL	-0.36 at 5.3 mg/dL
	3.0 mg/dL	-1.12 at 5.3 mg/dL
Ditaurobilirubin	16 mg/dL*	-0.55 at 5.5 mg/dL
	32 mg/dL*	-1.27 at 5.5 mg/dL
RBC hemolysate	200 mg/dL*	not significant†
Intralipid, 20% solution	800 mg/dL*	-0.69 at 4.6 mg/dL
	1200 mg/dL*	-2.1 at 4.6 mg/dL

* Refers to bilirubin, hemoglobin, and/or triglyceride concentration

† No change greater than 0.3 mg/dL was observed

- Results may be falsely low when the sample is taken while levels of NAC, NAPQI (a metabolite of acetaminophen (paracetamol)) or Metamizole are significant.

- Many other substances can affect uric acid results. For additional information, refer to *Effects of Drugs on Clinical Laboratory Tests*⁵ and *Effects of Preanalytical Variables on Clinical Laboratory Tests*⁶.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

USABLE RANGE

The linear range of this assay is listed below. Specimens that exceed the upper limit of this range should be diluted with normal saline and reanalyzed. Multiply the results of diluted specimens by the appropriate dilution factors.

Conventional Units	SI Units
0.1 to 25.0 mg/dL	0.006 to 1.48 mmol/L

EXPECTED VALUES

Published uric acid reference ranges for adults are listed below. Use these ranges only as guides. Each laboratory should establish its own reference ranges.

Reference Range ¹	Conventional Units	SI Units
Male	3.5 to 7.2 mg/dL	0.21 to 0.42 mmol/L
Female	2.6 to 6.0 mg/dL	0.15 to 0.35 mmol/L

DETECTION LIMIT AND SENSITIVITY

The detection limit for this application is rounded up to 0.1 mg/dL (0.006 mmol/L). This limit was established by assaying normal saline thirty times on an Envoy 500 Analyzer in a single analytical run. The detection limit was calculated as the mean value plus two times the standard deviation, which were 0.0 and 0.03 mg/dL respectively.

An absorbance change of 0.0015 A on the Envoy 500 Analyzer corresponds to a change in uric acid concentration of approximately 0.1 mg/dL (0.006 mmol/L).

METHOD COMPARISON

Sixty serum and 60 plasma specimens were collected from individual adult patients and assayed for uric acid using an Envoy 500 Analyzer and another commercially available method. Results were compared by least squares and Passing - Bablok regression and the following statistics were obtained.

Serum/Plasma Comparison

n	range	Statistics
n = 120	range = 2.3 to 11.1 mg/dL	
Least Squares Regression		
Envoy 500 = -0.06 mg/dL + 1.003 x Competitive Method		
95% CI slope: 0.995 to 1.011		
95% CI y-intercept: -0.107 to -0.015		
s _{y.x} = 0.086 mg/dL r = 0.999		
Passing - Bablok Regression		
Envoy 500 = -0.10 mg/dL + 1.000 x Competitive Method		
95% CI slope: 1.000 to 1.000		
95% CI y-intercept: -0.100 to -0.100		

PRECISION

Three serum controls were each assayed in triplicate twice per day over 10 days on an Envoy 500 Analyzer. Estimates of within run and total imprecision are calculated as described in NCCLS publication EP3-T.³

Precision of URIC ACID Recoveries in mg/dL

Sample	n	mean	Within Run		Total	
			1SD	%CV	1SD	%CV
Serum 1	60	2.3	0.03	1.3%	0.05	2.0%
Serum 2	60	6.7	0.05	0.7%	0.07	1.1%
Serum 3	60	11.2	0.06	0.5%	0.13	1.1%

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GLOSSARY OF SYMBOLS

	Contents		Manufacturer		Catalog No.
	Batch Code		See instruction for use		Use by
	Date opened / Installation date		In vitro diagnostic device		Reagent 1
	Number of days onboard stability		Reagent 1		Reagent 2

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