



Liquichek Serum Indices

Pre-analytical instrument monitoring to detect HIL specimen interferences



Monitor the Ability of an Instrument to Detect Pre-Analytical Interferences

Hemolysis, Icterus and Lipemia (HIL) are the most commonly tested interferences that affect the integrity of patient samples in the clinical laboratory.^{1, 2} Depending on the type and the degree of interferences, it may impact patient results when run with a colorimetric assay. Fortunately, most major chemistry platforms include an automated HIL detection feature that employs spectrophotometric detection to measure the level of common interferences. However, in lieu of automated detection, some laboratorians may visually inspect samples. In both scenarios, the level of interference is translated as indices (Hemolysis, Icterus and Lipemia index) according to Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) Standard C56-A.

Liquichek Serum Indices is intended for use as part of laboratory practice to monitor the response of the instrument in detecting Hemolyzed, Icteric or Lipemic (HIL) samples.

Resemble patient samples with human sourced material

Liquichek Serum Indices is designed to monitor an instrument's response in detecting HIL specimens to help improve detection of pre-analytical errors. Replicating relevant concentrations of HIL interferences using human-sourced material adds confidence to instrument performance.

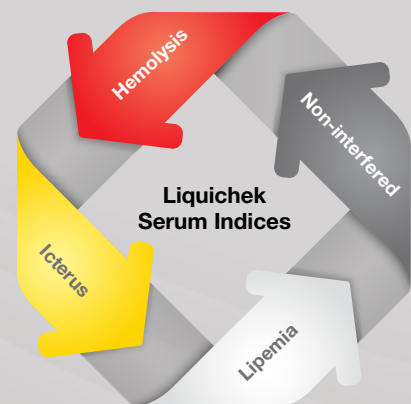
Reduce human errors by eliminating manual inspections

Manual HIL interference detection involves subjective visual assessment from a trained laboratory technician that may result in longer turnaround times, errors or repeat testing. Monitoring automated HIL detection with Liquichek Serum Indices may help eliminate hands-on time and ensure reliable results, enabling laboratory technicians to focus on other important tasks.

Compare instrument responses among peer groups with the Unity Interlaboratory Program

An interlaboratory program can offer early awareness of shifts and trends to help avoid costly test repeats and unnecessary troubleshooting. Liquichek Serum Indices is integrated into the Unity Interlaboratory Program allowing access to instrument performance over time, peer group comparisons and easy-to-read reports.

Liquichek Serum Indices is a product that monitors instrument's response to detect HIL specimen interferences.



Regulators are taking note:
ISO 15189:2012 includes expanded pre-examination procedures, and the IFCC is recommending standardized "Quality Indicators" in an effort to reduce the volume of pre-analytical errors.¹*

1. Green, S. F. *The cost of poor blood specimen quality and errors in preanalytical processes.* Clin BioChem. 2013;46:1175-9.

2. Salvagno, G., Lippi, G., Bassi, A., Poli, G., Guidi, G. *Prevalence and type of pre-analytical problems for inpatient samples in coagulation laboratory.* J Eval Clin Pract 2008;14:351-3.



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Liquichek Serum Indices monitors the response of an instrument to detect and flag HIL interference in a sample. Liquichek Serum Indices consists of three independent interferents (Hemolysis, Icterus, and Lipemia) and one non-interfered serum sample. The Hemolysis, Icterus, and Lipemia levels initiate instrument response based on increased hemoglobin, bilirubin, and lipoproteins respectively. The Non-interfered level is a human-based serum and is similar to a patient specimen. This product is unassayed, with target values and reference tables provided for convenience.³ The reference tables include both quantitative indexes and qualitative interpretations compatible with major chemistry instrument platforms.

Hemolysis

- Prepared from human source material
- 6 month shelf life at -20°C to -70°C
- 5 day open-vial stability at 2-8°C
- 7 day closed-vial stability at 2-8°C
- 28 day frozen aliquot at -20°C to -70°C

Icterus, Lipemia and Non-interfered

- Prepared from human source material
- 2 year shelf life at -20°C to -70°C
- 14 day open-vial stability at 2-8°C
- 14 day closed-vial stability at 2-8°C
- 28 day frozen aliquot at -20°C to -70°C

Indices

Hemolysis
Icterus
Lipemia
Non-interfered

Assay Sensitivity to HIL Interferences

Interfering substances that remain undetected during pre-analytic inspection may impact the quality of results in the analytic testing cycle. The potentially negative consequences of inaccurate results must be prevented wherever possible. Some common assays with known sensitivity to HIL interferences are listed in the table below.

Hemolysis	Icterus	Lipemia
Amylase (AMY)	Amylase (AMY)	Aspartate Aminotransferase (AST)
Aspartate Aminotransferase (AST)	Creatinine (SC)	Direct Bilirubin (DBI)
Magnesium (MG)	Digoxin	Magnesium (MG)
Iron (FE)	Iron (FE)	Iron (FE)
Lactate Dehydrogenase (LDH)	γ-Glutamyl Transferase (GGT)	Lactate Dehydrogenase (LDH)
Direct Bilirubin (DBI)	Triglycerides (TG)	Potassium (K)
Potassium (K)	Potassium/Sodium (K/Na)	Sodium (Na)

3. Reference tables based on values in CLSI 56-A. Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI), Approved Guideline—First Edition, CLSI document C56-A (ISBN 1-56238-799-5), Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute, *Hemolysis, Icterus, and Lipemia/Turbidity Indices as Indicators of Interference in Clinical Laboratory Analysis*, 2012.

Bio-Rad offers a comprehensive portfolio of products to cover all phases of clinical chemistry testing and data management



Pre-analytical Phase – Serum Indices

Monitor the response of an instrument to detect Hemolyzed, Icteric or Lipemic (HIL) samples with Liquichek Serum Indices



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Ordering Information

Cat #	Description	Cat #	Description
12012693	Hemolysis6 x 4 mL	12012697	Hemolysis MiniPak1 x 4 mL
12012694	Icterus6 x 4 mL	12012698	Icterus MiniPak1 x 4 mL
12012695	Lipemia6 x 4 mL	12012699	Lipemia MiniPak1 x 4 mL
12012696	Non-interfered6 x 4 mL	12012700	Non-interfered MiniPak1 x 4 mL

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