TruQuick™ HBsAg 40T

A rapid test for the qualitative detection of Hepatitis B Surface Antigen (HBsAg) in whole blood, serum or plasma.

REF TQ5940

IVD

Rx Only

INTENDED USE

TruQuick HBsAg is a rapid chromatographic immunoassay for the qualitative detection of Hepatitis B Surface Antigen in whole blood, serum or plasma.

SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION OF THE TEST

Viral hepatitis is a systemic disease primarily involving the liver. Most cases of acute viral hepatitis are caused by Hepatitis A virus, Hepatitis B virus (HBV) or Hepatitis C virus. The complex antigen found on the surface of HBV is called HBsAg. Previous designations included the Australia or Au antigen. The presence of HBsAg in whole blood, serum or plasma is an indication of an active Hepatitis B infection, HBsAg will be detected 2 to 4 weeks before the ALT level becomes abnormal and 3 to 5 weeks before symptoms or jaundice develop. HBsAg has four principal subtypes: adw, ayw, adr and ayr. Because of antigenic heterogeneity of the determinant, there are 10 major serotypes of Hepatitis B virus.

TruQuick HBsAg is a rapid test to qualitatively detect the presence of HBsAg in whole blood, serum or plasma specimen. The test utilizes a combination of monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies to selectively detect elevated levels of HBsAg in whole blood, serum or plasma.

BIOLOGICAL PRINCIPLES

TruQuick HBsAg is a qualitative, solid phase, two-site sandwich immunoassay for the detection of HBsAg in whole blood, serum or plasma. The membrane is precoated with anti-HBsAg antibodies on the test line region of the cassette. During testing, the whole blood, serum or plasma specimen reacts with the particle coated with anti-HBsAg antibodies. The mixture migrates upward on the membrane chromatographically by capillary action to react with anti-HBsAg antibodies on the membrane and generate a colored line. The presence of this colored line in the test region indicates a positive result, while its absence indicates a negative result. To serve as a procedural control, a colored line will always appear in the control line region indicating that proper volume of specimen has been added and membrane wicking has occurred.

REAGENTS/MATERIALS PROVIDED

The maximum number of tests obtained from this test kit is listed on the outer box.

- Test Cassettes: The Test Cassette contains anti-HBsAg particles and anti-HBsAg coated on the membrane.
- Buffer: A buffered solution containing ProClin 300 as a preservative. The Buffer is supplied in a
 dropper vial ready for use.
- Droppers
- Package insert

MATERIALS NOT PROVIDED

- · Specimen collection containers
- Lancets (for fingerstick whole blood only)
- Heparinized capillary tubes and dispensing bulb (for fingerstick whole blood only)
- Centrifuge
- Timers

PRECAUTIONS

Please read all the information in this package insert before performing the test.

- . All reagents are for in vitro diagnostic use only. Do not use after the expiration date.
- The test should remain in the sealed pouch until ready to use.
- All specimens should be considered potentially hazardous and handled in the same manner as an infectious agent.
- The used test should be discarded according to local regulations.

HAZARD and PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Refer to the SDS, available at www.meridianbioscience.com for Hazard and Precautionary Statements.

SHELF LIFE AND STORAGE

Store as packaged at room temperature or refrigerated (2-30 C). The test is stable through the expiration date printed on the sealed pouch. The test must remain in the sealed pouch until use. **DO NOT FREEZE**. Do not use beyond the expiration date.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND PREPARATION

- TruQuick HBsAg can be performed using whole blood (from venipuncture or fingerstick), serum or plasma. Collect and prepare whole blood, serum or plasma according to standard laboratory methods.
- 2. To collect Fingerstick Whole Blood specimens:
 - Wash the patient's hand with soap and warm water or clean with an alcohol swab. Allow to dry.
 - Massage the hand without touching the puncture site by rubbing down the hand towards the fingertip of the middle or ring finger.
 - Puncture the skin with a sterile lancet. Wipe away the first sign of blood.
 - Gently rub the hand from wrist to palm to finger to form a rounded drop of blood over the puncture site.

Add the Fingerstick Whole Blood specimen to the test by using a capillary tube:

- Touch the end of the capillary tube to the blood until filled to approximately 75 µL.

 Avoid air hubbles
- Place the bulb onto the top end of the capillary tube, then squeeze the bulb to dispense the whole blood to the specimen area of the Test Cassette.

Add the Fingerstick Whole Blood specimen to the test by using **hanging drops**:

- Position the patient's finger so that the drop of blood is just above the specimen area of the Test Cassette.
- Allow three hanging drops of fingerstick whole blood to fall into the center of the specimen
 area on the Test Cassette, or move the patient's finger so that the hanging drop touches
 the center of the specimen area. Avoid touching the finger directly to the specimen area.
- Separate serum or plasma from blood as soon as possible to avoid hemolysis. Use only clear non-hemolyzed specimens.
- Testing should be performed immediately after the specimens have been collected. Do not leave the specimens at room temperature for prolonged periods. Serum and plasma specimens may be stored at 2-8 C for up to three days. For long term storage, specimens should be kept below -20 C. Whole blood collected by venipuncture should be stored at 2-8 C if the test is to be run within two days of collection. Do not freeze whole blood specimens. Whole blood collected by fincerstick should be tested immediately.
- Bring specimens to room temperature prior to testing. Frozen specimens must be completely thawed and mixed well prior to testing. Specimens should not be frozen and thawed repeatedly.
- If specimens are to be shipped, they should be packed in compliance with local regulations covering the transportation of etiologic agents.

TEST PROCEDURE

Allow the test, specimen, Buffer and/or controls to reach room temperature (15-30 C) prior to testing.

- Bring the pouch to room temperature before opening it. Remove the Test Cassette from the sealed pouch and use it as soon as possible.
- Place the cassette on a clean and level surface.

For Serum or Plasma specimen:

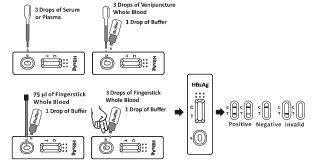
Hold the dropper vertically and transfer 3 drops of serum or plasma (approximately 75 µL) to the specimen well of the Test Cassette and start the timer. See illustration below.

For Venipuncture Whole Blood specimen:

 Hold the dropper vertically and transfer 3 drops of whole blood (approximately 75 µL) to the specimen area, then add 1 drop of Buffer (approximately 40 µL), and start the timer. See illustration below.

For Fingerstick Whole Blood specimen:

- To use a capillary tube: Fill the capillary tube and transfer approximately 75 µL of fingerstick whole blood specimen to the specimen area of Test Cassette, then add 1 drop of Buffer (approximately 40 µL) and start the timer. See illustration below.
- To use hanging drops: Allow 3 hanging drops of fingerstick whole blood specimen (approximately 75 μL) to fall into the specimen area of Test Cassette, then add 1 drop of Buffer (approximately 40 μL) and start the timer. See illustration below.
- Wait for the colored line(s) to appear. Read results at 15 ~30 minutes. Do not interpret
 the result after 30 minutes.



INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

(Please refer to the illustration above.)

POSITIVE:* Two distinct colored lines appear. One colored line should be in the control region (C) and another colored line should be in the test region (T).

*NOTE: The intensity of the color in the test line region (T) will vary depending on the concentration of HBsAg present in the specimen. Therefore, any shade of color in the test region (T) should be considered positive.

NEGATIVE: One colored line appears in the control region (C). No apparent colored line appears in the test region (T).

INVALID: Control line fails to appear. Insufficient specimen volume or incorrect procedural techniques are the most likely reasons for control line failure. Review the procedure and repeat the test with a new Test Cassette. If the problem persists, discontinue using the test kit immediately and contact Meridian's Technical Services Department at 800-343-3858 or your local distributor.

QUALITY CONTROL

This test should be performed per applicable local, state, or federal regulations or accrediting agencies.

A procedural control is included in the test. A colored line appearing in the control region (C) is the internal procedural control. It confirms sufficient specimen volume and correct procedural technique.

External controls are not supplied with this kit; however, it is recommended that a positive control (containing 10 ng/mL HBsAg) and a negative control (containing 0 ng/mL HBsAg) be tested as a good laboratory practice to confirm the test procedure and to verify proper test performance.

If the expected control reactions are not observed, repeat the control tests as the first step in determining the root cause of the failure. If control failures are repeated please contact Meridian's Technical Services Department at 1-800-343-3858 (US) or your local distributor.

EXPECTED VALUES

TruQuick HBsAg was compared with a leading commercial HBsAg EIA test. The correlation between these two systems is over 99%.

LIMITATIONS OF THE PROCEDURE

- TruQuick HBsAg is for in vitro diagnostic use only. The test should be used for the detection
 of HBsAg in whole blood, serum or plasma specimen. Neither the quantitative value nor the
 rate of HBsAg concentration can be determined by this qualitative test.
- TruQuick HBsAg will only indicate the presence of HBsAg in the specimen and should not be used as the sole criteria for the diagnosis of Hepatitis B viral infection.
- As with all diagnostic tests, all results must be considered with other clinical information available to the physician.
- TruQuick HBsAg cannot detect less than 1 PEI ng/mL of HBsAg in specimens. If the test
 result is negative and clinical symptoms persist, additional follow-up testing using other
 clinical methods is suggested. A negative result at any time does not preclude the possibility
 of Hepatitis B infection.

SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Sensitivity

TruQuick HBsAg was tested against a sensitivity panel including both ad and ay subtypes with concentrations ranging from 0 to 300 ng/mL. The test can detect 1 PEI ng/ml of HBsAg in whole blood, serum or plasma.

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Antibodies used for TruQuick HBsAg were developed against whole Hepatitis B antigen isolated from Hepatitis B virus. Specificity of TruQuick HBsAg was also tested with laboratory strains of Hepatitis A and Hepatitis C. They all yielded negative results.

Serum or plasma specimens:

Method		ELISA		Total	
•	Result	Positive	Negative	Results	
TruQuick HBsAg	Positive	180	2	182	
	Negative	0	550	550	
		180	552	732	

Sensitivity: > 99.9% (95% CI:*98.3%-100%) Specificity: 99.6% (95% CI:*98.7%-99.9%)

Correlation: 99.7% (95% CI:*99.0%-99.9%)

*Confidence Intervals

Whole blood specimens:

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Method		ELISA		Total
	Result	Positive	Negative	Results
TruQuick HBsAg	Positive	180	1	181
	Negative	0	200	200
		180	201	381

Sensitivity: > 99.9% (95% CI:*98.3%-100%) Specificity: 99.5% (95% CI:*97.3%-99.9%) Correlation: 99.7% (95% CI:*98.5%-99.9%)

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REPRODUCIBILITY

Intra-Assav Precision

Within-run precision was determined by using 10 replicates of six specimens containing 0 ng/mL, 1 ng/mL, 2 ng/mL, 5 ng/mL, 12 ng/mL and 20 ng/mL of HBsAg. The negative and positive values were correctly identified > 99% of the time.

nter-Assay Precision

Between-run precision was determined by using the same six specimens of 0 ng/mL, 1 ng/mL, 2 ng/mL, 5 ng/mL, 12 ng/mL and 20 ng/mL of HBsAg in 3 independent assays. Three different lots of TruQuick HBsAg were tested using negative, low positive and high positive specimens. The specimens were correctly identified > 99% of the time.

CROSSREACTIVITY

Specimens positive for HAV, HIV, HCV, HEV, Syphilis, HAMA, RF, H. pylori, Mononucleosis, CMV, Rubella and Toxoplasmosis were tested. No crossreactivity was observed.

TESTS FOR INTERFERING SUBSTANCES

TruQuick HBsAg was tested for possible interference from visibly hemolyzed and lipemic specimens. No interference was observed.

In addition, no interference was observed in specimens containing up to 2,000 mg/dL Hemoglobin, 1000 mg/dL Bilirubin, and 2000 mg/dL human serum Albumin.

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SYMBOL USAGE

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Ω	Use By	CONTROL +	Positive control
LOT	Batch Code	CONTROL -	Negative control
IVD	In vitro diagnostic medical device	EC REP	Authorized Representative in the European Community
((This product fulfills the requirements of Directive 98/79/EC on in vitro diagnostic medical devices	SMP PREP DIL SPE	Sample Preparation Apparatus containing Sample Diluent
REF	Catalogue number	够	Do not freeze
(i	Consult Instructions for Use	BUF RXN	Reaction Buffer
***	Manufacturer	Ů	For IVD Performance Evaluation Only
Σ	Contains sufficient for <n> tests</n>	SOLN STOP	Stopping Solution
1	Temperature limitation	CONJ ENZ	Enzyme Conjugate
SN	Serial number	CONTROL	Assay Control
TEST	Test Device	REAG	Reagent
~	Date of manufacture	BUF WASH	Wash Buffer
BUF	Buffer	\triangle	Warning
CONJ	Conjugate	DIL SPE	Specimen Diluent (or Sample Diluent)
SUBS	Substrate	BUF WASH 20X	Wash Buffer Concentration: 20X
RUO	Research Use Only	DET REAG	Detection Reagent
IUO	Investigational Use Only	R _x Only	Prescription Use Only
®	Do not use if package is damaged		

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