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System information

Short name	ACN (application code number)
IGF-1	10116

Intended use

Immunoassay for the in vitro quantitative determination of insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1) in human serum and plasma. The IGF-1 determination is intended to be used as an aid in the assessment of growth disorders in conjunction with other clinical and laboratory findings.

The electrochemiluminescence immunoassay "ECLIA" is intended for use on the **cobas e** 801 immunoassay analyzer.

Summary

IGF-1, a 70 amino-acid polypeptide with a molecular mass of 7.5 kDa,¹ is ubiquitously expressed in every tissue but it is mainly synthesized and secreted by the liver (~75 % of circulating IGF-1) and regulated by growth hormone (GH).² Around 80 % of IGF-1 in the circulation is bound in a ternary complex with IGFBP-3 (Insulin-like growth factor binding-protein 3) and ALS (Acid-labile subunit). The half-life of IGF-1 in this complex is around one hour. Another 20 % of IGF-1 is bound to IGFBP-3 without ALS. Only 1 % of IGF-1 is not bound at all with a half-life of only a few minutes.³

IGF-1 (also known as somatomedin)⁴ was the first established marker to screen for growth hormone deficiency (GHD).⁵ GH is secreted in pulses peaking every 60-90 minutes and has a short half-life. Additionally, GH levels are affected by external factors (e.g. exercise, fasting). In contrast, IGF-1 levels are more robust and as a consequence, the determination of IGF-1 is widely used as a first step in diagnosis of both GH deficiency and excess.⁶

Short stature in children is mainly caused by conditions that affect the growth plates. In case no reason is found, the diagnosis is idiopathic short stature (ISS). GHD is one such condition that affects the growth plates. In this context, IGF-1 is one of several laboratory parameters recommended in guidelines to identify the cause of short stature in children.⁷ In combination with other assessments an IGF-1 value around the mean value of age or upper half of normal range of IGF-1 makes a GHD unlikely and no further testing would be required. Low IGF-1 concentrations (< 2 SD) would indicate a GHD with a high likelihood and should be confirmed with a GH-stimulation test. A GH-stimulation test would also be indicated with IGF-1 serum levels in the lower half of the normal range combined with clinical manifestations of GHD.⁸

GHD is also observed in adults. Interpretation of IGF-1 levels in the context of adults with GHD is different from short stature children. In adults a normal IGF-1 level does not exclude GHD. A very low IGF-1 level (< 2 SD) in patients with highly suspected GHD, or with long-lasting adult-onset, or multiple or total hypopituitarism may be considered as GHD without a GH-stimulation test.^{9,10}

The determination of IGF-1 is also recommended for screening of growth disorders by GH excess like acromegaly.¹¹

Test principle

Sandwich principle. Total duration of assay: 18 minutes.

- 1st incubation: Complexed antigen in the sample (6 µL) and diluted HCI react to cleave IGF-1 from IGFBP-3 and ALS.
- 2nd incubation: A biotinylated monoclonal IGF-1-specific antibody and a monoclonal IGF-1-specific antibody labeled with a ruthenium complex^a) react to form a sandwich complex. After addition of streptavidin-coated microparticles, the complex becomes bound to the solid phase via interaction of biotin and streptavidin.
- The reaction mixture is aspirated into the measuring cell where the microparticles are magnetically captured onto the surface of the electrode. Unbound substances are then removed with ProCell II M. Application of a voltage to the electrode then induces chemiluminescent emission which is measured by a photomultiplier.
- Results are determined via a calibration curve which is instrumentspecifically generated by 2-point calibration and a master curve provided via the **cobas** link.

a) Tris(2,2'-bipyridyl)ruthenium(II)-complex (Ru(bpy)₃²⁺)

Reagents - working solutions

The cobas e pack is labeled as IGF-1.

M Streptavidin-coated microparticles, 1 bottle, 5.8 mL: Streptavidin-coated microparticles 0.72 mg/mL; preservative.

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- R1 Diluted HCl, 1 bottle, 10.3 mL: pH 1.5.
- R2 Anti-IGF-1-Ab~biotin, anti-IGF-1-Ab~Ru(bpy)₃²⁺, 1 bottle, 10.3 mL: Biotinylated monoclonal anti-IGF-1 antibody (mouse) 0.6 μg/mL; monoclonal anti-IGF-1 antibody (mouse) labeled with ruthenium complex 1.5 μg/mL; phosphate buffer 100 mmol/L, pH 7.8; preservative.

Precautions and warnings

For in vitro diagnostic use.

Exercise the normal precautions required for handling all laboratory reagents.

Disposal of all waste material should be in accordance with local guidelines. Safety data sheet available for professional user on request.

For USA: Caution: Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.

Avoid foam formation in all reagents and sample types (specimens, calibrators and controls).

Reagent handling

The reagents in the kit have been assembled into a ready-for-use unit that cannot be separated.

All information required for correct operation is available via the cobas link.

Storage and stability

Store at 2-8 °C.

Do not freeze.

Store the **cobas e** pack **upright** in order to ensure complete availability of the microparticles during automatic mixing prior to use.

Stability:	
unopened at 2-8 °C	up to the stated expiration date
on the cobas e 801 analyzer	16 weeks

Specimen collection and preparation

Only the specimens listed below were tested and found acceptable. Serum collected using standard sampling tubes or tubes containing separating gel.

Li-heparin, K₂-EDTA and K₃-EDTA plasma.

Plasma tubes containing separating gel can be used.

Criterion: Slope 0.9-1.1 + intercept within \leq \pm 7 ng/mL + coefficient of correlation \geq 0.95.

Stable for 24 hours at 15-25 °C, 48 hours at 2-8 °C, 28 days at -20 °C (± 5 °C). Freeze only once.

The sample types listed were tested with a selection of sample collection tubes that were commercially available at the time of testing, i.e. not all available tubes of all manufacturers were tested. Sample collection systems from various manufacturers may contain differing materials which could affect the test results in some cases. When processing samples in primary tubes (sample collection systems), follow the instructions of the tube manufacturer.

Centrifuge samples containing precipitates before performing the assay. Do not use samples and controls stabilized with azide.

Ensure the samples and calibrators are at 20-25 °C prior to measurement. Due to possible evaporation effects, samples and calibrators on the analyzers should be analyzed/measured within 2 hours.

Materials provided

See "Reagents - working solutions" section for reagents.

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Materials required (but not provided)

- REF 07475969190, CalSet IGF-1, for 4 x 1.0 mL
- REF 07476108190, PreciControl Growth, for 4 x 3.0 mL
- REF 07299001190, Diluent Universal, 45.2 mL sample diluent
- General laboratory equipment
- cobas e 801 analyzer

Accessories for the cobas e 801 analyzer:

- REF 06908799190, ProCell II M, 2 x 2 L system solution
- REF 04880293190, CleanCell M, 2 x 2 L measuring cell cleaning solution
- REF 07485409001, Reservoir Cups, 8 cups to supply ProCell II M and CleanCell M
- REF 06908853190, PreClean II M, 2 x 2 L wash solution
- REF 05694302001, Assay Tip/Assay Cup tray, 6 magazines x 6 magazine stacks x 105 assay tips and 105 assay cups, 3 wasteliners
- REF 07485425001, Liquid Flow Cleaning Cup, 2 adaptor cups to supply ISE Cleaning Solution/Elecsys SysClean for Liquid Flow Cleaning Detection Unit
- REF 07485433001, PreWash Liquid Flow Cleaning Cup, 1 adaptor cup to supply ISE Cleaning Solution/Elecsys SysClean for Liquid Flow Cleaning PreWash Unit
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- REF 11298500160, ISE Cleaning Solution/Elecsys SysClean, 5 x 100 mL system cleaning solution (for USA)

Assay

For optimum performance of the assay follow the directions given in this document for the analyzer concerned. Refer to the appropriate operator's manual for analyzer-specific assay instructions.

Resuspension of the microparticles takes place automatically prior to use.

Place the cooled (stored at 2-8 °C) **cobas e** pack on the reagent manager. Avoid foam formation. The system automatically regulates the temperature of the reagents and the opening/closing of the **cobas e** pack.

Calibration

Traceability: This method has been standardized against the WHO International Standard 02/254.

The predefined master curve is adapted to the analyzer using the relevant CalSet.

Calibration frequency: Calibration must be performed once per reagent lot using fresh reagent (i.e. not more than 24 hours since the **cobas e** pack was registered on the analyzer).

Calibration interval may be extended based on acceptable verification of calibration by the laboratory.

Renewed calibration is recommended as follows:

- after 12 weeks when using the same reagent lot
- after 28 days when using the same cobas e pack on the analyzer
- as required: e.g. quality control findings outside the defined limits

Quality control

For quality control, use PreciControl Growth.

In addition, other suitable control material can be used.

Controls for the various concentration ranges should be run individually at least once every 24 hours when the test is in use, once per **cobas e** pack, and following each calibration.

The control intervals and limits should be adapted to each laboratory's individual requirements. Values obtained should fall within the defined limits. Each laboratory should establish corrective measures to be taken if values fall outside the defined limits.

If necessary, repeat the measurement of the samples concerned.

Follow the applicable government regulations and local guidelines for quality control.

Calculation

The analyzer automatically calculates the analyte concentration of each sample (either in ng/mL, μ g/L or nmol/L).

ng/mL x 1 = μ g/L
ng/mL x 0.131 = nmol/L

Limitations - interference

Conversion factors:

The effect of the following endogenous substances and pharmaceutical compounds on assay performance was tested. Interferences were tested up to the listed concentrations and no impact on results was observed.

Endogenous substances

Compound	Concentration tested		
Bilirubin	≤ 1129 µmol/L or ≤ 66 mg/dL		
Hemoglobin	≤ 0.311 mmol/L or ≤ 500 mg/dL		
Intralipid	≤ 2000 mg/dL		
Biotin	\leq 205 nmol/L or \leq 50 ng/mL		
Rheumatoid factors	≤ 1200 IU/mL		
lgG	≤ 3.3 g/dL		
IgA	≤ 0.5 g/dL		
IgM	≤ 1.0 g/dL		
Albumin	≤ 7.0 g/dL		

Criterion: Recovery within ± 4 ng/mL for IGF-1 concentrations ≤ 40 ng/mL or ± 10 % for concentrations > 40 ng/mL of initial value.

Samples should not be taken from patients receiving therapy with high biotin doses (i.e. > 5 mg/day) until at least 8 hours following the last biotin administration.

There is no high-dose hook effect at IGF-1 concentrations up to 20000 $\mbox{ng/mL}.$

Pharmaceutical substances

In vitro tests were performed on 16 commonly used pharmaceuticals. No interference with the assay was found.

In addition, the following special growth disorder drugs were tested. No interference with the assay was found.

Special growth disorder drugs

Drug	Concentration tested mg/L
Somatotropin	3.0
Octreotide	1.5
Pegvisomant	80

In rare cases, interference due to extremely high titers of antibodies to analyte-specific antibodies, streptavidin or ruthenium can occur. These effects are minimized by suitable test design.

For diagnostic purposes, the results should always be assessed in conjunction with the patient's medical history, clinical examination and other findings.

Limits and ranges

Measuring range

7-1600 ng/mL (defined by the Limit of Detection and the maximum of the master curve). Values below the Limit of Detection are reported as < 7 ng/mL. Values above the measuring range are reported as

> 1600 ng/mL (or up to 16000 ng/mL for 10-fold diluted samples).

Lower limits of measurement

Limit of Blank, Limit of Detection and Limit of Quantitation

Limit of Blank = 3.5 ng/mL

Limit of Detection = 7 ng/mL

Limit of Quantitation = 15 ng/mL

The Limit of Blank, Limit of Detection and Limit of Quantitation were determined in accordance with the CLSI (Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute) EP17-A2 requirements.

The Limit of Blank is the 95th percentile value from n \ge 60 measurements of analyte-free samples over several independent series. The Limit of Blank corresponds to the concentration below which analyte-free samples are found with a probability of 95 %.

The Limit of Detection is determined based on the Limit of Blank and the standard deviation of low concentration samples. The Limit of Detection corresponds to the lowest analyte concentration which can be detected (value above the Limit of Blank with a probability of 95 %).

The Limit of Quantitation is the lowest analyte concentration that can be reproducibly measured with an intermediate precision CV of \leq 20 %.

Dilution

Samples with IGF-1 concentrations above the measuring range can be diluted with Diluent Universal. The recommended dilution is 1:10 (either automatically by the analyzer or manually). The concentration of the diluted sample must be > 140 ng/mL.

After manual dilution, multiply the result by the dilution factor.

After dilution by the analyzer, the software automatically takes the dilution into account when calculating the sample concentration.

Expected values

Expected values were obtained in a clinical study (CIM RD002173) that enrolled over 3000 female and over 3500 male subjects, including over 1400 subjects \leq 17 years old.

See "Table for expected values" section for details.

Each laboratory should investigate the transferability of the expected values to its own patient population and if necessary determine its own reference ranges.

Specific performance data

Representative performance data on the analyzer is given below. Results obtained in individual laboratories may differ.

Precision

Precision was determined using Elecsys reagents, samples and controls in a protocol (EP05-A3) of the CLSI (Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute): 2 runs per day in duplicate each for 21 days (n = 84). The following results were obtained:

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	Repeata	ability	Intermediate precision		
Sample	Mean ng/mL	SD ng/mL	CV %	SD ng/mL	CV %
Human serum 1	9.47	0.475	5.0	0.551	5.8
Human serum 2	147	1.68	1.1	2.44	1.7
Human serum 3	566	9.80	1.7	15.1	2.7
Human serum 4	837	10.7	1.3	14.9	1.8
Human serum 5	1576	55.2	3.5	61.1	3.9
PC ^{b)} Growth 1	53.7	0.513	1.0	0.772	1.4
PC Growth 2	331	2.95	0.9	3.95	1.2

b) PreciControl

Method comparison

A comparison of the Elecsys IGF-1 assay, REF 07475918190 (cobas e 801 analyzer; y) with the Elecsys IGF-1 assay, REF 07475896190 (cobas e 601 analyzer; x) gave the following correlations (ng/mL): Number of samples measured: 138

Passing/Bablok ¹²	Linear regression
y = 1.00x - 1.86	y =1.00x - 2.10
т = 0.985	r = 1.00

The sample concentrations were between 9.76 ng/mL and 1560 ng/mL.

Analytical specificity

No significant cross-reactivity was found for the following substances:

Substances	Concentration tested
IGF-2	4000 ng/mL
IGFBP-3	20000 ng/mL
Insulin	1000 mIU/mL
Proinsulin	1000 nmol/L

Table for expected values

Table of age-dependent expected values; the values represent the indicated quantiles (2.5 %, 50 % and 97.5 %) for each age.

Male subjects Age N 2.5 % 50 % 97.5 %							
(years)	IN I	(ng/mL)	(ng/mL)	(ng/mL			
0.25	41	12.0	39.4	94.1			
0.5	44	11.8	40.9	94.6			
1	59	11.8	44.2	96.4			
2	38	13.9	51.7	104			
3	28	18.9	60.5	116			
4	29	26.8	70.6	134			
5	34	36.6	81.9	156			
6	51	47.1	94.5	184			
7	34	57.5	108	216			
8	58	67.5	123	254			
9	61	76.9	141	296			
10	51	85.7	164	343			
11	49	93.9	194	392			
12	47	101	231	434			
13	42	108	270	467			
14	35	115	304	489			
15	15	120	327	501			
16	13	125	339	503			
17	4	129	340	495			
18	1	132	331	476			
19	2	134	312	450			
20	4	136	291	421			
21	10	137	272	394			
22	10	137	254	370			
23	16	136	238	348			
24	19	135	225	328			
25	25	132	213	310			
26	15	130	203	295			
27	19	128	194	282			
28	16	125	188	271			
29	18	123	183	263			
30	18	120	180	257			
31	17	118	176	253			
32	16	116	173	250			
33	15	114	170	247			
34	21	111	166	244			
35	14	109	163	242			
36	16	107	160	239			

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			<u> </u>	Female subjects					
Age (years)	N	2.5 % (ng/mL)	50 % (ng/mL)	97.5 % (ng/mL)	Age (years)	N	2.5 % (ng/mL)	50 % (ng/mL)	97.5 % (ng/mL
37	16	105	158	236	0.25	28	13.8	48.8	86.4
38	19	103	155	234	0.5	35	15.4	50.9	92.0
39	18	101	152	231	1	37	18.7	55.3	104
40	39	98.5	150	229	2	34	26.1	65.0	128
41	92	96.4	148	226	3	48	34.2	76.0	155
42	93	94.4	146	223	4	42	43.2	88.2	185
43	101	92.4	144	221	5	50	53.0	102	216
44	99	90.5	142	218	6	49	63.6	116	250
45	75	88.5	140	216	7	37	75.0	133	286
46	100	86.5	139	214	8	47	87.3	154	324
47	98	84.6	137	211	9	39	99.9	180	363
48	79	82.6	136	209	10	42	112	210	398
49	88	80.6	135	207	11	50	123	244	427
50	97	78.7	133	205	12	54	132	278	451
51	61	76.7	132	203	13	38	140	306	468
52	78	74.8	130	201	14	38	146	325	480
53	76	72.8	129	200	15	21	151	331	485
54	54	70.9	127	198	16	11	154	324	485
55	62	68.9	126	196	17	14	156	305	479
56	44	67.0	124	195	18	5	156	283	466
57	63	65.3	122	194	19	3	155	261	449
58	70	63.7	121	193	20	13	152	243	429
59	70	62.3	119	192	21	7	148	227	410
60	61	61.1	118	191	22	7	143	214	392
61	58	60.0	117	190	23	15	138	203	375
62	85	59.2	116	189	24	16	134	195	359
63	62	58.5	116	188	25	15	130	189	343
64	64	57.9	115	188	26	18	126	185	329
65	46	57.4	115	187	27	13	120	182	315
66	57	56.8	115	186	28	13	118	179	303
67	53	56.3	115	186	29	10	115	175	292
68	58	55.8	115	185	30	10	112	170	281
69	68	55.2	113	185	30	10	109	173	271
70	68	54.7	114	185	31	12	109	169	263
70	68	54.1	113	184	33	7	107	169	203
71		53.6	113	184	33		104	167	255
	64					10			
73	72	53.0	110	184	35	11	100	163	242
74	40	52.4	108	184	36	9	98.3	160	238
75	39	51.9	106	184	37	14	96.5	158	234
76	32	51.3	104	184	38	15	94.8	155	231
77	27	50.7	102	184	39	6	93.1	153	228
78	19	50.2	99.0	184	40	51	91.4	150	227
79	14	49.6	96.1	184	41	74	89.8	147	225
80	0	•	-	-	42	88	88.1	145	224
					43	79	86.5	142	222
					44	71	84.9	139	221



	Female subjects						
Age (years)	N	2.5 % (ng/mL)	50 % (ng/mL)	97.5 % (ng/mL)			
45	72	83.3	136	220			
46	53	81.8	132	219			
47	70	80.2	130	218			
48	69	78.7	127	218			
49	94	77.2	125	217			
50	59	75.7	123	215			
51	47	74.3	121	214			
52	52	72.8	120	212			
53	48	71.4	119	210			
54	44	70.0	118	207			
55	68	68.6	117	204			
56	46	67.3	117	201			
57	55	65.9	116	198			
58	51	64.6	115	194			
59	36	63.3	114	190			
60	59	62.0	113	186			
61	60	60.7	112	182			
62	55	59.5	111	179			
63	57	58.3	110	176			
64	47	57.3	109	173			
65	40	56.3	108	170			
66	50	55.5	106	168			
67	41	54.8	105	166			
68	71	54.2	104	164			
69	45	53.8	102	163			
70	48	53.5	101	162			
71	59	53.3	99.8	161			
72	47	53.2	98.7	160			
73	44	53.2	97.6	160			
74	33	53.3	96.7	160			
75	24	53.5	95.8	160			
76	24	53.7	95.1	161			
77	20	54.0	94.4	162			
78	25	54.3	93.9	163			
79	10	54.7	93.4	164			
80	3	55.1	93.0	166			

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For further information, please refer to the appropriate operator's manual for the analyzer concerned, the respective application sheets, the product information and the Method Sheets of all necessary components (if available in your country).

A point (period/stop) is always used in this Method Sheet as the decimal separator to mark the border between the integral and the fractional parts of a decimal numeral. Separators for thousands are not used.

Symbols

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CONTENT	Contents of kit
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REAGENT	Reagent
CALIBRATOR	Calibrator
\rightarrow	Volume after reconstitution or mixing
GTIN	Global Trade Item Number

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