

Intended Use

For the *in vitro* quantitative kinetic determination of lactate dehydrogenase activity in serum using the Mindray BS-480 analyzer.

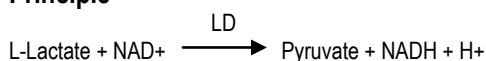
Clinical Significance

Increased levels of LD are associated with myocardial infarction. Levels reach a maximum approximately 48 hours after the onset of pain and persist about ten days. The degree of elevation is of value in assessing the extent of damage and in developing a prognosis. LD elevations are also observed in liver disease, pernicious anemia, in some cases of renal disease, and in some cases of skeletal muscle trauma.¹

Method History

Wroblewski and Ladue² published the first UV kinetic method for the determination of LDH activity in serum in 1955. Their method was based on the classic Kubowitz and Ott³ assay (1943) utilizing the pyruvate to lactate reaction. In 1956, Wacker et al⁴ described a procedure that followed a lactate to pyruvate reaction. The lactate to pyruvate reaction became the preferred reaction⁵, even though the slower of the two, because of a wider linear range⁶ and no pre-incubation requirement⁷. The present method follows the forward reaction and has been optimized for greater sensitivity and linearity as outlined by Gay et al.⁸

Principle



Lactate dehydrogenase catalyzes the oxidation of lactate to pyruvate with simultaneous reduction of NAD to NADH. The rate of NAD reduction can be measured as an increase in absorbance at 340nm. This rate is directly proportional to LD activity in serum.

Reagent Composition

After combining R1 and R2 the reagent contains: NAD 5.8 mM, L-Lactate 55 mM, Buffer pH 8.95. Non-reactive stabilizers and sodium azide (0.1%) as preservative.

Reagent Preparation

Reagents are supplied as ready to use liquids.

Reagent Storage and Stability

Reagents are stable until stated expiration if stored as directed. Protect from light. Avoid microbial contamination. Manufacturer studies have shown reagent is stable for 30 days once placed in the refrigerated reagent carousel (2-10°C), however reagent stability may vary based on individual laboratory conditions.

Precautions and Hazards

1. This reagent is for *in vitro* diagnostic use only.
2. All specimens and controls should be handled in accordance with good laboratory practices using appropriate precautions as described in the CDC/NIH Manual, "Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories," 2nd ed., 1988, HHS Publication No. (CDC) 88-8395.
3. The reagents contain sodium azide (0.1%) as a preservative. Do not ingest. Avoid skin and eye contact. Sodium azide may react with lead and copper plumbing fixtures giving rise to explosive metal azides. Flush with large volumes of water when disposing of the reagent.

Hazards:

R1 and R2: Hazard Classifications: Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

Pictogram: Not required.

Signal Word: Not required.

Hazard Statements: Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

Precautionary Statements: Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet for this product (SDS-LDH600) available at www.medtestdx.com.

Specimen Collection and Storage

1. Non-hemolyzed serum is recommended. Red cells contain large concentrations of LD.⁵
2. The serum should be removed from the clot promptly.
3. Samples should be assayed soon after collection. LD in serum is reported stable for two to three days at room temperature.⁹
4. Do not freeze or expose the serum to high temperatures (37°C) as this may inactivate thermolabile LD isoenzymes.¹⁰
5. Specimen collection should be carried out in accordance with NCCLS M29-T2.¹¹ No method can offer complete assurance that human blood samples will not transmit infection. Therefore, all samples should be considered potentially infectious.

Interferences

1. Certain drugs and substances affect LD activity. See Young, et al.¹²
2. Bilirubin to the level of 20 mg/dl has been found to exhibit negligible interference (≤ 5%) in this assay.
3. Hemolysis has been shown to significantly interfere with the assay at levels as low as 100 mg/dl.

Materials Provided

Lactate Dehydrogenase Buffer (R1) Reagent

Lactate Dehydrogenase Co-Enzyme (R2) Reagent

Materials Required but not Provided

1. Mindray BS-480 Analyzer
2. BS-480 Operation manual
3. Chemistry control, catalog number CHEQ480

Lactate Dehydrogenase (Liquid) Reagent Set

Limitations

1. Hemolyzed serum will cause falsely elevated serum LD levels.
2. Samples that exceed the linearity limit (1000 U/L) should be diluted with an equal volume of saline and re-assayed. Multiply the results by two to compensate for the dilution.

Calibration

The procedure is standardized by means of the millimolar absorptivity of NADH taken as 6.22 at 340nm under the test conditions described.

Quality Control

The validity of the reaction should be monitored by use of control samples with known normal and abnormal LD values. These controls should be run at least with every working shift in which LD assays are performed. It is recommended that each laboratory establish its own frequency of control determination. Quality control requirements should be performed in conformance with local, state, and/or Federal regulations or accreditation requirements.

Expected Values⁵

Male 50-166 U/L (30°C) 80-285 U/L (37°C)
Female 60-132 U/L (30°C) 103-227 U/L (37°C)

Due to a wide range of conditions (dietary, geographical, age, etc.) known to affect reference ranges, it is recommended that each laboratory establish its own reference range.

Performance

1. Assay Range: 2-1000 U/L. Samples that exceed 1000 U/L should be diluted with an equal volume of saline, re-assayed and results multiplied by two.
2. Correlation: A study was performed between the Mindray BS-480 and a similar analyzer using this method, resulting in the following:

Method	LDH
N	80
Mean LDH (U/L)	223.4
Range (U/L)	88-866
Standard Deviation	153.8
Regression Analysis	$y = 0.964x - 8.1$
Correlation Coefficient	0.9995

3. Precision: Precision studies were performed following a modification of the guidelines contained in the NCCLS document EP5-T2.¹²

Sample	Within Day			Day to Day		
	LOW	MID	HIGH	LOW	MID	HIGH
N	20	20	20	40	40	40
Mean	111.1	349.1	628.3	123.6	381.4	696.5
Standard Deviation	1.4	2.8	3.4	1.6	5.2	9.6
Coefficient of Variation (%)	1.3%	0.8%	0.5%	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%

4. Sensitivity: 2 SD Limit of Detection (95% Con Int): 2 U/L

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CHEMISTRY PARAMETERS

Chem:	LDH	No.:	223	Sample Type:	Serum
Chemistry:	Lactate Dehydrogenase			Print Name:	LDH
Reaction Type:	Kinetic			Reaction Direction:	Positive
Pri Wave:	340			Sec Wave:	412
Unit:	U/L			Decimal:	0
Blank Time:	0	0		Reaction Time:	56 71
	Sample Vol.	Aspirated	Diluent	Reagent Vol.	Diluent
Standard:	7.3 ul	-- ul	-- ul	R1:	120 ul -- ul
Decreased:	-- ul	-- ul	-- ul	R2:	30 ul -- ul
Increased:	-- ul	-- ul	-- ul	R3:	-- ul -- ul
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sample Blank	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Auto Rerun		R4:	-- ul -- ul
<u>Slope/Offset Adjustment</u>					
Slope: 1		Offset: 0			

Linearity Range (Standard)	2	1000	Linearity Limit:	0.2
Linearity Range (Decreased)	___	___	Substrate Depletion:	25000
Linearity Range (Increased)	___	___	Mixed Blank Abs:	
R1 Blank Abs:	___	___	Uncapping Time	
Blank Response:	___	___	Reagent Alarm Limit:	
Twin Chemistry:			<input type="checkbox"/> Enzyme Linear Extension	
<input type="checkbox"/> Prozone Check		<input type="radio"/> Rate Check	<input type="radio"/> Antigen Addition	
Q1:	Q2:	Q3:	Q4:	
PC:	ABS:			

