

PARAMCARE™ Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit (Urine)

The Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit is a rapid chromatographic immunoassay for the qualitative detection of Cannabinoids (THC) in human Urine specimens.

For In-Vitro Diagnostic Use only

ORDER INFORMATION

Pack Size	REF
01 Test	PTHC 01
05 Tests	PTHC 05
10 Tests	PTHC 10
25 Tests	PTHC 25
50 Tests	PTHC 50

CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) is a central nervous system (CNS) depressant. THC is the most active of the principal constituents, as well as the major metabolite, of cannabinoids such as cannabis and hashish. Marijuana (cannabis) is some time used to treat individual suffering from anorexia. Cannabinoids are usually smoked or administered orally laced with some other drugs of abuse like cocaine. Higher doses used by abusers produce CNS effect, such as altered mood and sensory perception, loss of coordination, impaired short term memory, anxiety, paranoia and an increased heart rate. THC and its glucuronide are the primary metabolites of cannabinoids. This means that the presence of THC in urine indicates the use of marijuana, cannabis and/or hashish. The half-life of THC is about 20 hours to 10 days, depending on the amount and potency of the drug used.

The test is most often used to screen for drug use. It's often required by the court system and some workplaces.

PRINCIPLE

The Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit (Urine) detects Cannabinoids through visual interpretation of color development on the strip. The assay relies on the competition for binding antibody. Drug conjugates are immobilized on the test region of the membrane. During testing, the specimen reacts with antibodies conjugated to colored gold nano particles. The mixture then migrates through the membrane by capillary action, and interacts with reagents on the membrane. If there are insufficient drug molecules in the specimen, the antibody-colored particle conjugate will bind to the drug conjugates, forming a colored band at the test region of the membrane. Therefore, a colored band appears in the test region when the urine is negative for the drug. If drug molecules are present in the urine above the cut-off concentration of the test, they compete with the immobilized drug conjugate on the test region for limited antibody binding sites. This will prevent attachment of the antibody-colored particle conjugate to the test region. Therefore, the absence of a colored band at the test region indicates a positive result. The appearance of a colored band at the control region serves as a procedural control, indicating that the proper volume of specimen has been added and membrane wicking has occurred.

KIT COMPONENTS

• Test Cassettes • Droppers • Package Insert

MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

• Specimen Collection Containers • Timer

PRECAUTIONS

- For professional *in vitro* diagnostic use only. Do not use after the expiration date.
- Wear protective gloves while handling specimens wash thoroughly afterwards.

- The device is sensitive to humidity as well as heat. Therefore, take out the device from seal pouch before test.
- Do not mix reagents from different lot.
- Dispose all the samples and kits properly as per the instruction after test in accordance in GLP.
- Follow the testing procedure exactly as mention in the insert.

STORAGE AND STABILITY

- The kit can be stored at room temperature or refrigerated (2-30°C). The test device must remain in the sealed pouch until use. DO NOT FREEZE.
- Do not use beyond the expiration date.
- Do not use the test kit, if the pouch is damaged or seal is broken.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION & PREPARATION

- The Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit (Urine) is intended for use with human urine specimens only.
- Urine collected at any time of the day may be used.
- Urine specimens must be collected in clean, dry containers.
- Turbid specimens should be centrifuged, filtered, or allowed to settle and only the clear supernatant should be used for testing.
- Perform testing immediately after specimen collection.
- Do not leave specimens at room temperature for prolonged periods. Urine specimens may be stored at 2-8°C for up to 2 days. For long term storage, specimens should be kept below -20°C.
- Bring specimens to room temperature prior to testing. Frozen specimens must be completely thawed and mixed well prior to testing. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing of specimens.
- If specimens are to be shipped, pack them in compliance with all applicable regulations for transportation of etiological agents. Whole Blood and Venipuncture Whole Blood can be used.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Allow the test device, specimen and/or buffer to equilibrate at room temperature (15-30°C) before testing.

- Bring the pouch to room temperature before opening it. Remove the test cassette from the sealed pouch and use it within 1 hour.
- Place the cassette on a clean and level surface.
- Hold the dropper vertically and transfer 2 drops of Urine (approximately 50 µL)
- Wait for the colored line(s) to appear. Read results at 5 minutes.
Note: Do not interpret the result after 10 minutes.

INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

Positive Result	
Negative Result	

1) Positive

The control line is the only visible line on the test device. This is indicative of presence of THC above 50 ng/ml

2) Negative

The control line and Test line is visible line on the test device. This no THC detected or THC below 50 ng/ml

3) Invalid

The control line fails to appear. Insufficient specimen volume or incorrect procedural techniques are the likeliest reasons for control line failure. Repeat the test using a new test device.

Quality Control

Internal procedural controls are included in the test individually. A colored line appearing in control line region (C) is the internal procedural control. It confirms sufficient specimen volume and correct procedural technique. Control standards are not supplied with this kit; however, it is recommended that positive and negative controls be tested as a good laboratory practice to confirm the test procedure and to verify proper test performance.

Limitations of the Test

1. The Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit is for professional in vitro diagnostic use, and should be only used for the qualitative detection of Cannabinoids.
2. This assay provides a preliminary analytical test result only. A more specific alternative chemical method must be used in order to obtain a confirmed analytical result. Gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) has been established as the preferred confirmatory method by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA). Clinical consideration and professional judgment should be applied to any test result, particularly when preliminary positive results are indicated.
3. There is a possibility that technical or procedural errors as well as other substances and factors may interfere with the test and cause false results

Performance characteristics

Cut off Value

The Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit can detect THC as low as 50 ng/ml.

Diagnostic Performance

A total of 140 normal human urine specimens were collected from human subjects and 2 positive control samples (2 different levels) tested by Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit. These specimens were confirmed by commercially available kit. Comparison for all subjects is showed in the following table.

Commercial THC Rapid Test Results	Cannabinoids Rapid Test		Total
	Positive	Negative	
Positive	2	0	2
Negative	3	137	140
Total	05	137	142

Relative Sensitivity: 100%, Relative Specificity: 97.85%, Overall Agreement: 98.59%

Precision

Between-run precision has been determined by 3 independent assays on the same 2 specimens: Three different lots of the Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit have been tested over a 3-days period using negative and positive specimens. The specimens were correctly identified >99% of the time

Specificity and cross-reactivity

The following substances were tested and confirmed did not interfere with Rapid Drugs (Cannabinoids) Screening Test Kit at the listed concentrations.

Substances	Concentration
Glucose	2000 mg/dl
Human Albumin	2000 mg/dl
Human hemoglobin	10 mg/dl
Urea	4000 mg/dl
Uric acid	10 mg/d

To evaluate the analog cross-reactivity of the devices, the target drug, drug metabolites and the same class compounds that may cross-react with the target drugs are tested by Cannabinoids screening rapid test.

All the compounds are added to drug-free urine at three different concentration levels. The final results are as following table. It displays the limits of detection for the specified drugs or their analog. Below these levels, the analog drugs show no cross-reactivity to target drugs.

Drugs derivative	Concentration (ng/ml)
11-hydroxy-D9-Tetrahydrocannabinol	2,500
D8- Tetrahydrocannabinol	7,500
D9- Tetrahydrocannabinol	10,000

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GLOSSARY OF SYMBOL

	Consult Instruction for Use
	Catalog Number
	Store between
	Manufacturer
	Keep away from sunlight



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