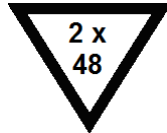



LISA TRACKER


Duo Ustekinumab

English
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DEFINITION

LISA-TRACKER Duo Ustekinumab () is an enzyme linked immunoassay (ELISA) for the quantitative determination of Ustekinumab (antibody anti-Interleukin 12 and 23) and anti-Ustekinumab antibodies in human serum samples. These tests can be separately or simultaneously done by following the standardized assay protocol. For Ustekinumab determination, a double system of calibration (based on the dilution of the specimens) allows to cover two assay ranges adapted to the various therapeutic approaches.

DIAGNOSTIC VALUE

Ustekinumab is indicated in the treatment of the moderate to severe plaque psoriasis, of the active psoriatic arthritis and the Crohn disease (requiring higher dose for injection). Ustekinumab is a human monoclonal antibody IgG1k directed against the subunit protein p-40 of the human cytokines IL-12 and IL-23. IL-12 and IL-23 are cytokines playing a central role in the induction of the inflammatory cascade and consequently the symptoms of the disease. During the treatment, some patients can develop antibodies against Ustekinumab.

LISA-TRACKER Duo Ustekinumab () allows the detection of 2 parameters: Ustekinumab and anti-Ustekinumab antibodies. This kit allows the physician to monitor the level of these 2 parameters in patient sera.

SAMPLES COLLECTION AND HANDLING

- The test should be performed on serum or on plasma (EDTA, heparin or citrate collection tubes).
- Lipemic sera should be avoided, as well as samples which have been frozen and defrosted more than once.
- To avoid any non-specific binding, samples which have been frozen for more than 6 months or which are cloudy, should be centrifuged and filtered.

ASSAY PRINCIPLE
A. Dosage of Ustekinumab

The antibody anti-Ustekinumab (anti-idiotypic) is coated onto a polystyrene microtiter plate (6 strips of 8 wells).

- First, the diluted sample is added to the antibody coated well, which allows to bind. After incubation, unbound proteins are removed by washing.
- Biotinylated antibody anti-Ustekinumab is added. After incubation, unbound antibodies are removed by washing.

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- Then horseradish peroxidase labelled streptavidin is added. The streptavidin binds to the complex formed «anti-Ustekinumab / Ustekinumab / Biotinylated anti-Ustekinumab ». After incubation, the wells are washed again to eliminate any excess of conjugate.
- The bound enzyme is revealed by addition of substrate TMB (3,3',5,5' tetramethylbenzidine). The colour intensity is proportional to the amount of Ustekinumab.
- Adding H₂SO₄ (0.25M) allows to stop the enzymatic reaction.
- After stopping the reaction by H₂SO₄ (0.25M), the optical density is read by a spectrophotometer at 450nm.

A range of calibration allows to define the quantity of Ustekinumab of each patient samples expressed in µg/mL.

B. Dosage of anti-Ustekinumab

The Ustekinumab is coated onto a polystyrene microtiter plate (6 strips of 8 wells).

- First, the diluted sample is added to the antibody coated well, which allows to bind. After incubation, unbound proteins are removed by washing.
- Biotinylated Ustekinumab is added. After incubation, unbound antibodies are removed by washing.
- Then horseradish peroxidase labelled streptavidin is added. The streptavidin binds to the complex formed with biotinylated Ustekinumab. After incubation, the wells are washed again to eliminate any excess of conjugate.
- The bound enzyme is revealed by addition of substrate TMB (3,3',5,5' tetramethylbenzidine). The colour intensity is proportional to the amount of anti-Ustekinumab antibodies.
- Adding H₂SO₄ allows to stop the enzymatic reaction.
- After stopping the reaction by H₂SO₄, the optical density is read by a spectrophotometer at 450nm.

A range of calibration allows to define the quantity of anti-Ustekinumab antibodies of each patient samples expressed in AU/mL.

REAGENTS

3 reagent families :

Color	Ustekinumab reagents	anti-Ustekinumab antibodies reagents	Common reagents
cap of vials	Blue	Yellow	Green, White, Black or Purple
microwells	Blue	Yellow	-

A) Specific reagents for the Ustekinumab determination

Strips of individual breakaway blue wells coated with antibody anti-Ustekinumab. MP	6 strips
5 vials of « Ustekinumab » Standards, (µg/mL). <u>Ready to use.</u> <u>The vials can be reused several times.</u> The quantity of Ustekinumab is indicated on the vial label. Blue caps UST CAL n	5 x 1,5mL
«Positive control - Ustekinumab», (µg/mL). <u>To dilute.</u> UST CONTROL + <u>The vials can be reused several times.</u> The quantity of Ustekinumab is indicated on the vial label. Blue cap H L	2 x 250µL
Biotinylated antibody anti-Ustekinumab vial. <u>Ready to use.</u> UST Ab BIOT Blue cap	1 x 7,5mL

B) Specific reagents for the anti-Ustekinumab antibodies determination

Strips of individual breakaway yellow wells coated with Ustekinumab. MP	6 strips
5 vials of « anti-Ustekinumab » Standards, (AU/mL). <u>Ready to use.</u> <u>The vials can be reused several times.</u> The quantity of anti-Ustekinumab is indicated on the vial label. Yellow caps A-UST CAL n	5 x 1,5mL
« Positive control – anti-Ustekinumab», (AU/mL). <u>To dilute.</u> A-UST CONTROL + <u>The vial can be reused several times.</u> The quantity of anti-Ustekinumab is indicated on the vial label. Yellow cap	1 x 1mL
Biotinylated antibody Ustekinumab vial. <u>Ready to use.</u> A-UST Ab BIOT Yellow cap	1 x 7,5mL

C) Common reagents

HRP labelled Streptavidin. <u>Ready to use.</u> Green cap CONJ HRP	1 x 12mL
Phosphate-Tween Buffer pH 7.2 (10x) – <u>To reconstitute with distilled water.</u> White cap BUF WASH 10x	1 x 100mL
Substrate (TMB). <u>Ready to use.</u> Black cap SUBS TMB	1 x 12mL
Stop solution - H ₂ SO ₄ (0.25 N). <u>Ready to use.</u> Purple cap SOLN STOP	1 x 15mL

MATERIAL REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

- distilled water
- precision pipettes
- microplate spectrophotometer with 450 nm filter
- 8 channel pipettes

STABILITY AND STORAGE

- Store reagents and micro-wells at +2°C/+8°C in their own package.
- Do not use kits beyond the expiration date.
- Store unused strips into their plastic bag with the desiccant.
- Store all components immediately after use again at +2°C/+8°C.

SETUP

Except the TDL, which can be prepared in advance, all reagents must be prepared extemporaneously.

1. Dilution and Wash buffer (TDL)

- Dilute concentrated Phosphate-Tween Buffer 1/10 in distilled water.

BUF WASH 10x

- Shelf life : 3 months at +2°C/+8°C (avoid to use if signs of contamination or other visible changes occur).

NB. If there are crystals in the concentrated solution, warm the bottle up to +37°C for 15 minutes before use.

2. Ustekinumab determination: preparation of samples and positive controls

a. UST100 determination (0.04 to 1 µg/mL assay range)

- Dilute samples and positive control **L** to 1/101 in TDL (Ex : 10µL sample + 1mL TDL)
Vortex vigorously.

b. UST1000 determination (0.4 to 10 µg/mL assay range)

- Dilute samples and positive control **H** to 1/1001 in TDL (Ex : 5µL sample + 5mL TDL)
Vortex vigorously.

3. Anti-Ustekinumab determination: preparation of samples and positive controls

- Dilute samples and positive control to 1/2 in TDL (Ex : 130µL sample + 130µL TDL)
Vortex vigorously.

4. Use of ready-to-use biotinylated antibody.

- Estimate the amount required for handling and transfer to a tube.

5. Use of ready-to-use HRP Streptavidin conjugate.

- Estimate the amount required for handling and transfer to a tube.

6. Use of ready-to-use substrate.

- Estimate the amount required for handling and transfer to a dark tube.

PRECAUTIONS

Unpack all reagents in order to let them warm at room temperature (+18°C/+25°C) at least half an hour before starting the test.


⚠ The temperature of the reagents can impact the final result.


Check that all plates are well drained after each wash.


Avoid to use reagents if signs of contamination or other visible changes occur.

Human sources for the preparation of standards and controls have been tested and found negative for antibody to HIV 1 and 2, antibody to hepatitis C virus and hepatitis B virus antigen. Nevertheless, no test can offer complete assurance that HIV, hepatitis B virus or other infectious agents are absent. Therefore, the reagents should be handled as potentially infective materials.


Reagents in solution (except for substrate buffer and stop solution) contain <0.1% of sodium azide and <0.6% of ProClin® 300. Do not eat and avoid contact with skin and eyes. Azide can form explosive mixtures in copper or lead piping. Rinse thoroughly after flushing.


-  At this concentration, ProClin® 300 is irritating to eyes and skin, and may be detrimental if enough quantity is ingested. It is a skin sensitizer; prolonged or repeated exposure may cause allergic reaction in certain sensitive individuals.

LISA-TRACKER Duo Ustekinumab () has been developed according EC regulation n°1272/2008 relating to the classification, packaging and labeling of dangerous preparations.

LISA-TRACKER Duo Ustekinumab () has been optimized for the use as describe in this procedure. Do not substitute other manufacturer's reagents. Dilution or adulteration of these reagents may also affect the performance of the test. Close adherence to the test procedure will assure optimal performance.

For samples with a level lower or upper to the selected assay range, verify the system used:

UST100 : assay range from 0.04 to 1µg/mL + sample dilution 1/101 + positive control 



UST1000 : assay range from 0.4 to 10µg/mL + sample dilution 1/1001 + positive control 

METHOD

1. Preparing the test

Use the work sheet to note the sample locations.

Set out:

- 5 "standard" wells
- 1 well for positive control  or 
- 1 well for each sample

For a simultaneous testing of the 2 parameters, detach the exact number of wells needed. Return unused wells to plastic pouch provided in the kit, with the desiccant bag.

Remark :

If a dispensing/diluting device is used, place the specific wells in the following order : dosage of Ustekinumab then dosage of anti-ustekinumab.

2. Samples, positive controls and standards incubation

Add 100 µL of standards, diluted controls or samples.

Incubate for 60 minutes at room temperature (+18°C/+25°C).

Wash step:

Remove the content of the wells by rapid inversion.

Wash 3 times with 300µL of TDL buffer.

Dry the microplate by tapping it gently on an absorbent paper to eliminate the excess of liquid.

3. Incubation of biotinylated antibody

Add 100µL of **specific** biotinylated antibody in identified wells.

Incubate for 60 minutes at room temperature (+18°C/+25°C).

Wash step:

Remove the content of the wells by rapid inversion.

Wash 3 times with 300µL of dilution and washing buffer.

Dry the microplate by tapping it gently on an absorbent paper to eliminate the excess of liquid.

4. Incubation of Conjugate

Add 100µL of conjugate.

Incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature (+18°C/+25°C).

Wash step:

Remove the content of the wells by rapid inversion.

Wash 3 times with 300µL of dilution and washing buffer.

Dry the microplate by tapping it gently on an absorbent paper to eliminate the excess of liquid.

5. Incubation of Substrate

Add 100µL substrate into each well.

Incubate for 15 minutes at room temperature (+18°C/+25°C), in the dark.

6. Stop of the reaction

Add 100µL of H₂SO₄ to each well.

7. Reading

Read the optical density of each well at 450nm within 30 minutes after stopping reaction.

RESULTS AND INTERPRETATION

- **A. Dosage of Ustekinumab** according the selected assay range UST100 or UST 1000
- The OD of the standard 1 should be at least 0.8.
- The positive control value should be comprised into the range indicated on the vial label.
- Trace a *polynomial standard curve* or a 4PL with plotting the units of the 5 standard points (µg/mL) along the abscissa (X axis) and the corresponding OD values along the ordinate (Y axis).
- The Ustekinumab value can be directly read on the curve.
- Samples with values greater than that of standard 1 may be diluted to obtain a more precise result. The number of units should be multiplied by the selected dilution.

B. Dosage of anti-Ustekinumab

- The OD of the standard 1 should be at least 0.8.
- The positive control value should be comprised into the range indicated on the vial label.
- Trace a *polynomial standard curve* with plotting the units of the 5 standard points (AU/mL) along the abscissa (X axis) and the corresponding OD values along the ordinate (Y axis).
- The anti-Ustekinumab value can be directly read on the curve.
- Samples with values greater than that of standard 1 may be diluted to obtain a more precise result. The number of units should be multiplied by the selected dilution.

CHARACTERISTICS AND PERFORMANCE OF THE TEST

Limits of detection / threshold values

Estimated on a population of healthy patient samples.

Limit of detection Ustekinumab	Limit of detection Ustekinumab
Assay range 0.04 to 1 µg/mL	Assay range 0.4 to 10 µg/mL
153 samples	103 samples
0.04 µg/mL >99 th percentile	0.4 µg/mL >99 th percentile

Limit of detection anti-Ustekinumab
153 samples
3 AU/mL >99 th percentile

Assay range

Ustekinumab UST100	Ustekinumab UST1000
0.04µg/mL – 1µg/mL	0.4µg/ml – 10µg/ml

anti-Ustekinumab
3 AU/ml - 100 AU/ml

Interfering Substances Study

LISA-TRACKER Duo Ustekinumab (Theradiag) was evaluated to assess potential cross reactivity to other antibodies and interference:

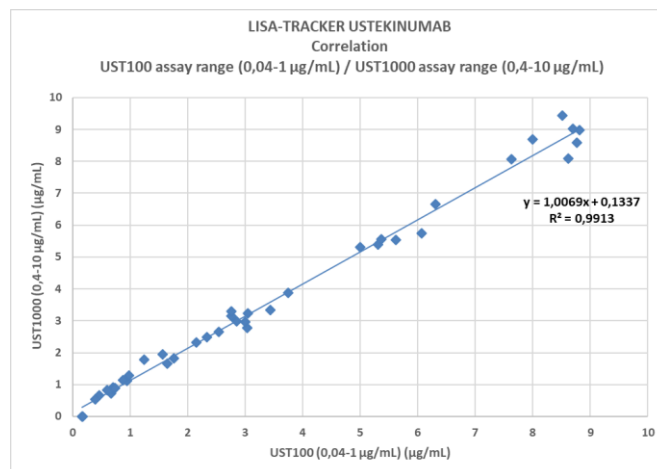
- on positive samples for several components (cryoglobulins, rheumatoid factors, heterophilic antibodies, high levels of triglycerides, bilirubin, IgG and/or IgM, and C1q proteins, autoantibodies),
 - on a population of patients' serums presenting psoriasis,
 - on samples completed with the following components: bilirubin (in 0.2mg/mL), haemoglobin (in 2mg/mL), triglycerides (in 10mg/mL) and rheumatoid factors (to 1000IU/mL).
- ⇒ No interference was detected.

Precision

Parameters	Intra-run *30 tests / assay **10 tests / assay		Inter-runs *9 different assays **6 different assays	
	Mean	CV (%)	Mean	CV (%)
Ustekinumab* (µg/ml) Assay range 0.04 to 1µg/mL	0.13	12.6 %	0.13	10.3 %
	0.48	10.6 %	0.51	8.9 %
	0.82	5.5 %	0.85	3.5 %
Ustekinumab** (µg/ml) Assay range 0.4 to 10µg/mL	1.5	4.7%	1.4	11.3%
	3.7	8.7%	4	7.9%
	8.9	5.9%	8.4	11.9%
anti- Ustekinumab* (AU/ml)	10	11.1 %	10	14 %
	19	11.5 %	22	11.2 %
	43	5.9 %	44	8.1 %

Correlation

The performances of the Ustekinumab determination obtained with the assay range - UST1000 (0.4 to 10µg/mL) were compared to the performances obtained with the assay range - UST100 (0.04 to 1µg/mL). Samples outside assay ranges were diluted. A linear regression analysis of the two results showed that both are equivalent.



LIMITS

The presence of biotin in patients' specimens can potentially impact the immunodosages using the Streptavidin-Biotin technology.

QUALITY CONTROL

It is recommended to use internally and externally sourced control material for the different specificities. Ustekinumab or anti-Ustekinumab IMMUNO-TROL controls (Theradiag, Cat.n: LTU 002-PC or LTU 003-PC) contain Ustekinumab or antibodies directed against Ustekinumab. These materials are to be assayed in the same manner as the unknown samples.

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SUMMARY OF METHOD

A) Dilution

	Ustekinumab		anti-Ustekinumab
	UST100 - 0.04 to 1µg/mL	UST1000 - 0.4 to 10µg/mL	
Samples	1/101	1/1001	1/2
Positive controls	1/101 L	1/1001 H	1/2

B) Procedure

Reagents	Procedure
Standards	100µL / wells
Diluted positive controls	
Diluted samples	
Incubation	1 h at room temperature
Washing*	Wash 3 times with TDL buffer : 3 x 300µL / wells
Biotinylated antibody	100µL / wells (specific reagents)
Incubation	1 h at room temperature
Washing*	Wash 3 times with TDL buffer : 3 x 300µL / wells
HRP-Streptavidin	100µL / wells
Incubation	30 minutes at room temperature
Washing*	Wash 3 times with TDL buffer : 3 x 300µL / wells
Substrate (TMB)	100µL / wells
Incubation	15 minutes at room temperature. Protect from light.
Stop solution	100µL / wells

* Dry the microplate by tapping it gently on a towel to eliminate the excess of liquid.

C) Configuration of the assays

a. 42 sera for Ustekinumab - Assay range UST 1000 - and anti-Ustekinumab

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Standard 5	Sera 3	Sera 11	Sera 19	Sera 27	Sera 35	Standard 5	Sera 3	Sera 11	Sera 19	Sera 27	Sera 35
B	Standard 4	Sera 4	Sera 12	Sera 20	Sera 28	Sera 36	Standard 4	Sera 4	Sera 12	Sera 20	Sera 28	Sera 36
C	Standard 3	Sera 5	Sera 13	Sera 21	Sera 29	Sera 37	Standard 3	Sera 5	Sera 13	Sera 21	Sera 29	Sera 37
D	Standard 2	Sera 6	Sera 14	Sera 22	Sera 30	Sera 30	Standard 2	Sera 6	Sera 14	Sera 22	Sera 30	Sera 30
E	Standard 1	Sera 7	Sera 15	Sera 23	Sera 31	Sera 39	Standard 1	Sera 7	Sera 15	Sera 23	Sera 31	Sera 39
F	C+ H	Sera 8	Sera 16	Sera 24	Sera 32	Sera 40	C+	Sera 8	Sera 16	Sera 24	Sera 32	Sera 40
G	Sera 1	Sera 9	Sera 17	Sera 25	Sera 33	Sera 41	Sera 1	Sera 9	Sera 17	Sera 25	Sera 33	Sera 41
H	Sera 2	Sera 10	Sera 18	Sera 26	Sera 34	Sera 42	Sera 2	Sera 10	Sera 18	Sera 26	Sera 34	Sera 42

Ustekinumab
assay

anti-
Ustekinumab
assay

b. 42 sera for Ustekinumab - Assay range UST 100 - and anti-Ustekinumab

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Standard 5	Sera 3	Sera 11	Sera 19	Sera 27	Sera 35	Standard 5	Sera 3	Sera 11	Sera 19	Sera 27	Sera 35
B	Standard 4	Sera 4	Sera 12	Sera 20	Sera 28	Sera 36	Standard 4	Sera 4	Sera 12	Sera 20	Sera 28	Sera 36
C	Standard 3	Sera 5	Sera 13	Sera 21	Sera 29	Sera 37	Standard 3	Sera 5	Sera 13	Sera 21	Sera 29	Sera 37
D	Standard 2	Sera 6	Sera 14	Sera 22	Sera 30	Sera 30	Standard 2	Sera 6	Sera 14	Sera 22	Sera 30	Sera 30
E	Standard 1	Sera 7	Sera 15	Sera 23	Sera 31	Sera 39	Standard 1	Sera 7	Sera 15	Sera 23	Sera 31	Sera 39
F	C+ L	Sera 8	Sera 16	Sera 24	Sera 32	Sera 40	C+	Sera 8	Sera 16	Sera 24	Sera 32	Sera 40
G	Sera 1	Sera 9	Sera 17	Sera 25	Sera 33	Sera 41	Sera 1	Sera 9	Sera 17	Sera 25	Sera 33	Sera 41
H	Sera 2	Sera 10	Sera 18	Sera 26	Sera 34	Sera 42	Sera 2	Sera 10	Sera 18	Sera 26	Sera 34	Sera 42

Ustekinumab
assay

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SYMBOLS USED



EC Declaration of Conformity



ELISA Test



Catalogue number



Lot Number



Expiry Date



In vitro Diagnostic device



Manufacturer



Number of test



Consult Instructions



Temperature limitation



Biological hazard



Contains sodium azide



Reconstitute with



Warning



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