



UREA

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Kit name	Cat. No	Concentrations in the reagent
Liquick Cor-UREA 30	2-261	1-REAGENT
Liquick Cor-UREA 60	2-206	Tris (pH 7.8) ≤ 144 mmol/l
Liquick Cor-UREA 120	2-207	ADP ≤ 0.84 mmol/l
HC-UREA	4-506	urease ≤ 250 μkat/l
OS-UREA	9-410	GLDH ≤ 10.5 μkat/l
B50-UREA	5-516	stabilizers, detergents, preservatives

INTENDED USE

Diagnostic kit for determination of urea concentration intended to use both for manual assay (Sample Start and Reagent Start method) and in several automatic analyzers.

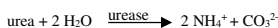
The reagents must be used only for *in vitro* diagnostic, by suitably qualified laboratory personnel, only for the intended purpose, under appropriate laboratory conditions.

INTRODUCTION

Urea is a product of amino acids catabolism. It is produced in liver and excreted in urine. Urea in the blood is reported as the blood urea nitrogen (BUN). Increased urea concentration in the serum, called uremia, is observed due to dehydration, renal failure, high-protein diet, increased protein catabolism caused by tissue injury or massive bleeding into the alimentary tract. The reason of reduced urea level could be overhydration, low-protein diet or starvation and severe liver disease.

METHOD PRINCIPLE

Kinetic, enzymatic method with urease and glutamate dehydrogenase.



The rate of absorbance changing at $\lambda=340$ nm is proportional to the urea concentration.

REAGENTS

	Liquick Cor-UREA 30	Liquick Cor-UREA 60	Liquick Cor-UREA 120
1-REAGENT	5 x 24 ml	5 x 48 ml	5 x 96 ml
2-REAGENT	1 x 30 ml	1 x 60 ml	1 x 120 ml
3-STANDARD	1 x 2 ml	-	-

	HC-UREA	OS-UREA	B50-UREA
1-REAGENT	6 x 74 ml	3 x 49 ml	2 x 58.5 ml
2-REAGENT	6 x 19 ml	3 x 15 ml	2 x 18.4 ml

3-STANDARD is a standard solution of urea with a concentration within the range 38.52 – 47.08 mg/dl (6.39 – 7.81 mmol/l). The exact concentration is printed on the label of the each vial.

The reagents when stored at 2-8°C are stable up to expiry date printed on the package. The reagents are stable for 12 weeks on board the analyzer at 2-10°C (Biolis 24i Premium).

Working reagent preparation and stability

Assay can be performed with use of separate 1-REAGENT and 2-REAGENT reagents or with use of working reagent. For working reagent preparation mix gently 4 parts of 1-REAGENT with 1 part of 2-REAGENT.

The working reagent should be prepared at least 30 min before use.

Avoid foaming.

Stability of working reagent:	4 weeks at 2-8°C
	5 days at 20-25°C

Mix well, after about 1 min. (25/30°C) or 30-40 sec. (37°C) read the absorbance A1 of the test (T) and standard (S) against air or water. After exactly 1 min. (for all temperature) read the absorbance A2 of the test (T) and standard (S). Calculate $\Delta A/\text{min}$. (A1 - A2) for the test and standard.

Reagent Start method

The determination can be also performed with use of separate 1-REAGENT and 2-REAGENT reagents.

Pipette into the cuvettes:

	reagent blank (RB)	test (T)	standard (S)
1-REAGENT	1000 μl	1000 μl	1000 μl

Bring up to the temperature of determination. Then add:

standard / calibrator	-	-	10 μl
sample	-	10 μl	-

Mix well, incubate for 5 min. Then add:

2-REAGENT	250 μl	250 μl	250 μl
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Mix well, after about 1 min. (25/30°C) or 30-40 sec. (37°C) read the absorbance A1 of test (T), standard (S) against reagent blank. After exactly 1 min. (for all temperature) read the absorbance A2 of test (T), standard (S) against reagent blank. Calculate $\Delta A/\text{min}$. (A1 - A2) for test and standard.

Calculation

$$\text{urea concentration} = \frac{\Delta A(T)}{\Delta A(S)} \times \text{standard / calibrator concentration}$$

REFERENCE VALUES⁸

serum / plasma	mg/dl	mmol/l
	< 50	< 8.3
24-hours urine	g/24h	mmol/24h
	20 – 35	300 – 550

1 mg of urea corresponds to 0.467 mg of urea nitrogen. It is recommended for each laboratory to establish its own reference ranges for local population.

QUALITY CONTROL

For internal quality control it is recommended to use the following controls for each batch of samples: CORMAY SERUM HN (Cat. No 5-172) and CORMAY SERUM HP (Cat. No 5-173) for determination in serum; CORMAY URINE CONTROL LEVEL 1 (Cat. No 5-161) or LEVEL 2 (Cat. No 5-162) for determination in urine.

For calibration when using the manual methods the CORMAY MULTICALIBRATOR LEVEL 1 (Cat. No 5-174; 5-176), LEVEL 2 (Cat. No 5-175; 5-177) or UREA STANDARD 42 (Cat. No 5-128)

For calibration of the automatic analyzers systems the CORMAY MULTICALIBRATOR LEVEL 1 (Cat. No 5-174, 5-176) and LEVEL 2 (Cat. No 5-175, 5-177) are recommended.

The calibration curve should be prepared every 12 weeks (Biolis 24i Premium), with change of reagent lot number or as required e.g. quality control findings outside the specified range.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

The following results have been obtained using automatic analyzer Biolis 24i Premium. Results may vary if a different instrument or a manual procedure is used.

• **LoB (Limit of Blank):**
1.4 mg/dl (0.23 mmol/l)

• **LoD (Limit of Detection):**
2.1 mg/dl (0.35 mmol/l)

• **LoQ (Limit of Quantitation):**
4.5 mg/dl (0.75 mmol/l)

• **Linearity:**
up to 250 mg/dl (41.5 mmol/l)

Specificity / Interferences

Haemoglobin up to 5 g/dl, ascorbate up to 62 mg/l, bilirubin up to 20 mg/dl and triglycerides up to 1000 mg/dl do not interfere with the test.

Precision

	Mean [mg/dl]	SD [mg/dl]	CV [%]
Repeatability (run to run) n = 20			
level 1	33.8	1.09	3.2
level 2	103.1	1.93	1.9
Reproducibility (day to day) n = 80	Mean [mg/dl]	SD [mg/dl]	CV [%]
level 1	33.7	0.92	2.7
level 2	98.3	1.55	1.6

Method comparison

A comparison between urea values determined at **Biolis 24i Premium** (y) and at **BECKMAN COULTER AU680** (x) using 111 serum samples gave following results:

$$y = 1.0113x + 1.048 \text{ mg/dl};$$

$$R = 0.999 \quad (R - \text{correlation coefficient})$$

A comparison between urea values determined at **Biolis 24i Premium** (y) and at **BECKMAN COULTER AU680** (x) using 34 plasma samples gave following results:

$$y = 1.0837x - 1.4416 \text{ mg/dl};$$

$$R = 1.000 \quad (R - \text{correlation coefficient})$$

A comparison between urea values determined at **Biolis 24i Premium** (y) and at **BECKMAN COULTER AU680** (x) using 30 urine samples gave following results:

$$y = 0.994x + 21.805 \text{ mg/dl};$$

$$R = 0.990 \quad (R - \text{correlation coefficient})$$

TRACEABILITY

UREA STANDARD 42 is traceable to the SRM 1950 / 909C reference material.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Please refer to local legal requirements.

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