# **ToRC Avidity Buffer**

Buffer Solution for Avidity testing of IgG class of antibodies for ToRC Diagnosis

FOR IN VITRO DIAGNOSTIC USE ONLY Store at 2°C to 8°C

## **INTENDED USE**

ToRC Avidity Buffer is intended for determining the percentage avidity binding of IgG class of antibodies in Toxoplasma, Rubella and CMV diagnosis using Bios Microwell ELISA reagent kits. For in Vitro Diagnostic Use only.

#### INTRODUCTION

Avidity is a measure of antigen to antibody binding. Avidity Test helps in discriminating primary infection from secondary infection/re-infection when a sample reports positive for both IgG and IgM class of antibodies. Sometimes it is not sufficient to test only for IgM antibodies, as the presence of IgM class of antibodies may be due to the persistence of IgM antibodies from past infection or asymptomatic re-infection without risk for the foetus. For this reason, it is useful to assay the avidity of IgG antibodies. The low avidity of IgG antibodies is therefore an indication of recent or current infection.

#### PRINCIPLE

**ToRC Avidity Buffer** acts as a denaturing agent and tends to dissociate the weaker IgG binding with antigen coated onto the microplate. However, if IgG antibodies are persistent against infection for long time a stronger bond is formed with antigen coated onto the microplate and doesn't get dissociated by Avidity buffer. This in turn helps in finding the strength of IgG antibodies in the patient's sample.

## STORAGE AND STABILITY

**ToRC Avidity Buffer** is stable at 2°C to 8°C up to expiry date printed on the label

NOTE: ToRC Avidity Buffer is a ready to use reagent and to be used only with Bios Microwell ELISA reagents.

## TEST PROCEDURE FOR AVIDITY TESTING

- Place the desired number of coated strips into the holder. Consider 2 micro wells per sample along with NC and PC.
- Prepare 1:40 dilutions by adding 5 µl of the test samples, negative control & positive control to 200 µl of sample diluent and mix well.
- 3. For the reagent blank, dispense 100 µI of sample diluent in A1 well position. Then dispense 100 µI of diluted negative control, positive control & serum samples in duplicates in appropriate wells, considering 1st well for Avidity Buffer and second well for wash Buffer. Tap the holder to remove air bubbles if any from the liquid. Incubate for 60 minutes at 37°C.
- Wash each well three times by filling approximately 350 μI diluted wash buffer & blot dry.
- Dispense 100 µI of Avidity Buffer in first well of each serum sample and controls and add 100 µI diluted Wash Buffer (1X) in the second well respectively and incubate for 10 minutes at 37°C.
- Wash each well three times by filling approximately 350 μI diluted wash buffer & blot dry.
- Dispense 100 µI of enzyme conjugate to each well and incubate for 45 minutes at 37°C.
- Wash each well three times by filling approximately 350 µl diluted wash buffer & blot dry.
- Dispense 100 µl of TMB Substrate to each well and incubate for 20 minutes at room temperature, away from direct light.

- 10. Add  $100 \mu l$  of Stop Solution to stop the reaction.
- 11. Read O.D. at 450 630 nm with an ELISA reader.

Prepare 1:40 dilutions of test samples, negative control & positive control

For the reagent blank, dispense 100  $\mu l$  of sample diluent in A1 well position

Dispense **100 µI** of diluted negative control, positive control & serum samples in duplicates in appropriate wells, considering 1st well for Avidity Buffer and second well for Wash Buffer

Incubate for 60 minutes at 37°C

Wash Microwells 3 times with 350 µl of diluted wash buffer & Blot dry

Dispense 100  $\mu$ I of Avidity Buffer in first well of serum and controls and add 100  $\mu$ I diluted Wash Buffer (1X) in the second well respectively

Incubate for 10 minutes at 37°C

Wash Microwells 3 times with 350 µl of diluted wash buffer & Blot dry

Dispense 100 µI of enzyme conjugate to each well

Incubate for 45 minutes at 37°C

Wash Microwells 3 times with 350 µl of diluted wash buffer & Blot dry

Dispense 100 μI of TMB Substrate to each well

Incubate for 20 minutes at 37°C

Add 100 µl of Stop Solution to stop the reaction

Read O.D. at 450 - 630 nm with an ELISA reader

# **CALCULATION & INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULTS:**

The percentage of avidity of the samples is expressed and calculated using a ratio between the O.D of wells containing the Avidity Buffer and those with Wash Buffer, subtracting the value of the blank.

O.D with Avidity Buffer - O.D of Blank X 100 = % of Avidity

O.D. with Wash Buffer - O.D. of Blank

Ratio > 35% - High Avidity IgG Ratio < 30% - Low Avidity IgG Ratio 30-35% - Medium Avidity IgG

# IMPORTANT NOTE

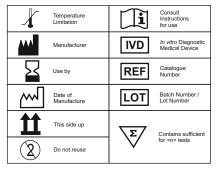
- 1. Inclusion of Blank with sample diluent is mandatory.
- This assay is a temperature sensitive assay. The best temperature condition for this assay is 37°C.

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#### SYMBOL KEYS



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