For magnesium determination in serum, plasma and urine

SUMMARY
Magnesium (Mg) is one of the most widely distributed ions of the body. Sixty percent of the body Mg is found in bones and the rest in muscles and other soft tissues. Mg has a major role in human physiology. It participates in the energetic metabolism through ATP activation, in the transference of high-energy phosphates and is the activating ion for many enzymes involved in the metabolism of lipids, carbohydrates and proteins. Mg is a mediator in the conduction and transport mechanisms through membranes. It is essential in the preservation of macromolecular structures of DNA, RNA and ribosomes and in bone formation and preservation of osmotic pressure. Hypomagnesemia is closely associated to the deficiency of other ions such as phosphorus, potassium and calcium. There are multiple causes for hypomagnesemia: chronic and acute diarrheas, malabsorption syndromes, prolonged nasogastric suction and vomiting, intestinal and biliary fistulas, renal preservation deterioration, diabetes mellitus, hyperthyroidism, primary hyperaldosteronism and chronic alcoholism. Mg excess may be due to the incorporation or excessive administration of Mg salts and is generally associated with renal failure. Other pathologies associated with hypomagnesemia are: hypocalciuric hypercalcemia, hypothyroidism, mineralocorticoids’ deficiency, etc.

PRINCIPLE
The magnesium present in sample binds to chlorophosphonaze III (CPZ III), producing an increase in absorbance at 660 nm. The addition of EDTA removes Mg from Mg-CPZ III complex, releases CPZ III and allows blank reading. The absorbance difference between Mg-CPZ III and CPZ III is equivalent to the absorbance yielded by Mg. The presence of EGTA prevents calcium interference in the reaction.

\[ \text{Mg}^{2+} + \text{CPZ III} \xrightarrow{\text{pH 7.5}} \text{Mg-CPZ III} \]
\[ \text{Mg-CPZ III + EDTA} \xrightarrow{\text{pH 7.5}} \text{Mg-EDTA + CPZ III} \]

PROVIDED REAGENTS
A. Reagent A: 145 mM TES buffer, 0.2 mM CPZ III, 10 mM EGTA, pH 7.5.
B. Reagent B: 100 mM TES buffer, 17 mM EDTA, pH 7.5.

NON-PROVIDED REAGENTS
- Wiener lab’s Calibrador A plus.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE
Provided Reagents: ready to use.

WARNINGS
Reagents are for “in vitro” diagnostic use. Patient samples should be handled as if capable of transmitting infection. Use the reagents according to the working procedures for clinical laboratories. All reagents and samples should be discarded according to current regulations.

STABILITY AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS
Provided Reagents: stable at 2-10°C until the expiration date stated on the box.

SAMPLE
Serum, heparinized plasma or urine

a) Collection:
- Serum or plasma: obtain in the usual way.
- Urine: acidify urine with some drops of concentrated hydrochloric acid to obtain a pH lower than 2.

b) Additives: in case plasma is used as sample, heparin must be used as anticoagulant. Anticoagulants such as EDTA, citrate and oxalate build complexes with Mg, causing erroneous results.

c) Known Interfering Substances: hemolyzed, lipemic or contaminated samples should not be used. Precipitated samples should be centrifuged prior to the assay. Contamination with erythrocytes may increase the results because the Mg level is greater that in serum. No interference has been observed by the following substances: triglycerides up to 1300 mg/dl, hemoglobin up to 800 mg/dl, direct bilirubin up to 21 mg/dl, total bilirubin up to 40 mg/dl, calcium up to 45 mg/dl and heparin up to 50 IU/ml. See Young, D.S. in References for effect of drugs on the present method.

d) Stability and storage instructions: serum or plasma samples may be stored for up to 7 days at 2-10°C or at 15-25°C and for up to 1 year frozen (at -20°C). Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

REQUIRED MATERIAL (non-provided)
- Micropipettes and pipettes for measuring the stated volumes.
- Automated analyzer.

PROCEDURE
(Automated analyzers)
Below is a general procedure for Magnesium CPZ in an automated analyzer. For programming instructions check...
the user’s manual of the automated analyzer in use.

| Reagent A | 160 ul |
| Sample or Calibrator | 4 ul |

Incubate during 300 seconds at 37°C. Measure initial absorbance at 660 nm (OD₁).

| Reagent B | 28 ul |

Incubate during 180 seconds at 37°C. Measure absorbance at 660 (OD₂). To obtain the results, the analyzer calculates the absorbance difference (ΔA = OD₂ - OD₁) and multiplies by the obtained calibration factor.

### CALIBRATION

Wiener lab’s [Calibrador A plus](#) is processed as a sample and the corresponding factor is calculated based on it.

### QUALITY CONTROL METHOD

If the test sample is serum or plasma, process 2 quality control material levels ([Standatrol S-E 2 niveles](#)) with known magnesium concentrations. If urine sample is running, a urine-based control should be used. Controls should be tested in the same way as samples.

### REFERENCE VALUES

- **Serum or plasma:** 1.7 to 2.5 mg/dl (0.70 to 1.05 mmol/l)
- **Urine:** 60 to 210 mg/24 hrs
  - 2.5 to 8.5 mmol/24 hrs
  - 4.10 to 13.80 mg/dl

* Considering a urine volume of 1.5 L/24 hrs

The literature (Tietz, NW) mentions the following reference range:
- **Serum or plasma:** 1.6 to 2.6 mg/dl (0.66 to 1.07 mmol/l)
- **Urine:** 3.0 to 5.0 mmol/24 hrs.

It is recommended that each laboratory establishes its own reference values.

### UNIT CONVERSION

- Mg (mg/dl) = Mg (mmol/l) x 2.43
- Mg (mg/dl) = Mg (mEq/l) x 1.215
- Mg (mmol/day) = Mg (mEq/day) x 0.5

### PROCEDURE LIMITATIONS

See known interfering substances under SAMPLE. Recalibration is recommended when changing reagent lot or when established by the quality control.

To preserve the integrity of the reagents all forms of contamination should be avoided, using only perfectly clean and dry micropipettes for measurement.

### PERFORMANCE

a) **Reproducibility:** tested using CLSI protocol EP5-A2. Samples with different Mg levels were tested. Intra-assay and Total Precision were calculated with the obtained data.

### Intra-assay precision

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b) **Detection limit:** 0.17 mg/dl.

c) **Quantification limit:** 0.35 mg/dl.

d) **Linearity:** reaction is linear up to 6 mg/dl. The performance data were obtained using Konelab 60i automated analyzer. Therefore, such values may change if a different automated analyzer is used.

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### PARAMETERS FOR AUTOMATED ANALYZERS

For programming instructions check the user manual of the automated analyzer in use.

For calibration use Wiener lab’s [Calibrador A plus](#).

### WIENER LAB. PROVIDES

- **105 ml:**
  - 1 x 90 ml Reagent A
  - 1 x 15 ml Reagent B
  (Cat. Nº 1999803)

- **118 ml:**
  - 2 x 50 ml Reagent A
  - 2 x 9 ml Reagent B
  (Cat. Nº 1009289)

- **140 ml:**
  - 2 x 60 ml Reagent A
  - 2 x 10 ml Reagent B
  (Cat. Nº 1009367)

- **140 ml:**
  - 2 x 60 ml Reagent A
  - 2 x 10 ml Reagent B
  (Cat. Nº 1009629)

### REFERENCES

Symbols

The following symbols are used in packaging for Wiener lab. diagnostic reagent kits.

- **CE**
  - This product fulfills the requirements of the European Directive 98/79 EC for "in vitro" diagnostic medical devices
- **Authorized representative in the European Community**
- **IVD**
  - "In vitro" diagnostic medical device
- **Σ**
  - Contains sufficient for <n> tests
- **Use by**
- **Temperature limitation (store at)**
- **Do not freeze**
- **Biological risks**
- **Volume after reconstitution**
- **Contents**
- **Batch code**
- **Calibr.**
  - Calibrator
- **CONTROL**
  - Control
- **CONTROL +**
  - Positive Control
- **CONTROL −**
  - Negative Control
- **REF**
  - Catalog number

Manufactured by:

Harmful

Corrosive / Caustic

Irritant

Consult instructions for use

Calibrator

Control

Positive Control

Negative Control

Catalog number