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ACETYLCHOLINE RECEPTOR (AChR) AUTOANTIBODY ELISA KIT ElisaRSR™ AChR Ab

Description:	Enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) kit for the quantitative determination of autoantibodies to the acetylcholine receptor (AChR) in serum. Method based on three different monoclonal autoantibodies which bind to epitopes on the AChR which are similar to those recognised by autoantibodies in the serum of patients with Myasthenia Gravis.
Disease application:	Myasthenia Gravis (MG)
Test samples:	Sera can be used. Do not use lipaemic or haemolysed samples or plasma samples.
Assay method:	Controls, samples into tubes + add AChR 18 hrs incubation Add samples-AChR into wells 1 hr incubation 3 x wash, add MAb-Biotin 1 hr incubation 3 x wash, add SA-POD 30 min incubation 3 x wash, add substrate 30 min incubation Stop reaction + read + read
	Sample volume: 100 µL required and is sufficient for duplicate determinations Total assay time: approx 21 hours
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Sensitivity:	92% n = 83 for Myasthenia Gravis patients
Specificity:	100% n = 302 for healthy blood donors
Calibrator range:	0.5 - 20 nmoles/L Kit negative control is assigned a value of 0.2 nmoles/L
Cut-off:	Negative: < 0.45 nmoles/L; Positive: \geq 0.45 nmoles/L
Lower detection limit:	0.25 nmoles/L (mean + 2 standard deviations in assay of negative control; n = 20)
Advantages:	The first sensitive and specific non-isotopic assay available for measuring AChR autoantibodies. Convenient format suitable for use in routine clinical laboratories.
Features:	Reliable and convenient method to measure autoantibodies to both foetal and adult AChR in Myasthenia Gravis. AChR Ab levels in test samples expressed in nmoles/L are comparable to levels measured in RiaRSR [™] AChR Ab.
Note:	For maintaining accuracy of assay results, RSR participates in the UK NEQAS (national external quality assessment service) scheme
Kit size:	96 wells
Order code:	ACE/96
Literature:	R Hewer et al A sensitive non-isotopic assay for acetylcholine receptor autoantibodies Clinica Chimica Acta 2006 364 : 159-166

This kit is intended for in-vitro use by professional persons only. The data quoted is for guidance only. Each laboratory should establish its own normal and pathological reference ranges for the assay and should include its own panel of control samples in the assay along with the controls provided as part of the kit.