



# ichroma™ TSH

## INTENDED USE

**ichroma™ TSH** is a fluorescence Immunoassay (FIA) for the quantitative determination of TSH in human serum/plasma. It is useful as an aid in management and monitoring of measurement in the assessment of thyroid function.

For *in vitro* diagnostic use only.

## INTRODUCTION

The determination of serum or plasma levels of thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH or thyrotropin) is recognized as an important measurement in the assessment of thyroid function. Thyroid stimulating hormone is secreted by the anterior lobe of the pituitary gland, and induces the production and release of thyroxine (T4) and triiodothyronine (T3) from the thyroid gland. It is a glycoprotein with a molecular weight of approximately 28,000 daltons, consisting of two chemically different subunits, alpha and beta. Although the concentration of TSH in the blood is extremely low, it is essential in the maintenance of normal thyroid function. The release of TSH is regulated by a TSH-releasing hormone (TRH) produced by the hypothalamus. The levels of TSH and TRH are inversely related to the level of thyroid hormone. When there is a high level of thyroid hormone in the blood, less TRH is released by the hypothalamus, so less TSH is secreted by the pituitary. The opposite action will occur when there are decreased levels of thyroid hormones in the blood. This process, known as a negative feedback mechanism, is responsible for maintaining the proper blood levels of these hormones.

## PRINCIPLE

The test uses a sandwich immunodetection method; the detector antibody in buffer binds to antigen in sample, forming antigen-antibody complexes, and migrates onto nitrocellulose matrix to be captured by the other immobilized-antibody on test strip.

The more antigen in sample forms the more antigen-antibody complex and leads to stronger intensity of fluorescence signal on detector antibody, which is processed by instrument for ichroma™ tests to show TSH concentration in sample.

## COMPONENTS

**ichroma™ TSH** consists of 'Cartridges', 'Detection Buffer Vial', 'Sample Mixing Tubes' and an 'ID chip'.

- The cartridge contains a test strip, the membrane which has anti human TSH at the test line, with chicken IgY at the control line.
- Each cartridge is individually sealed in an aluminum foil pouch containing a desiccant. 25 sealed cartridges are packed in a box which also contains an ID chip.
- The detection buffer contains anti human TSH-fluorescence conjugate, Anti-chicken IgY-fluorescence conjugate, bovine serum albumin (BSA) as a stabilizer and sodium azide as a preservative in phosphate buffered saline (PBS).
- The detection buffer is dispensed in a vial. Detection buffer vial is packed in a Styrofoam box with ice-pack for the shipment.

## WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- For *in vitro* diagnostic use only.
- Follow instructions and procedures described in this 'Instruction for use'.
- Use only fresh samples and avoid direct sunlight.

- Lot numbers of all the test components (cartridge, ID chip and detection buffer, diluent) must match each other.
- Do not interchange the test components between different lots or use the test components after the expiration date, either of which might yield incorrect test result(s).
- Do not reuse cartridges or detection buffer tubes. A detection buffer tube should be used for processing of one sample only. A cartridge should be used for testing one sample only.
- The cartridge should remain sealed in its original pouch until just before use. Do not use the cartridge, if pouch is damaged or has already been opened.
- Frozen sample should be thawed only once. For shipping, samples must be packed in accordance with local regulations. Sample with severe hemolysis and/or hyperlipidemia must not be used.
- Allow cartridge, detection buffer and sample to be at room temperature for approximately 30 minutes before use.
- The instrument for ichroma™ tests may generate slight vibration during use.
- Used detection buffer tubes, pipette tips and cartridges should be handled carefully and discarded by an appropriate method in accordance with relevant local regulations.
- An exposure to larger quantities of sodium azide may cause certain health issues like convulsions, low blood pressure and heart rate, loss of consciousness, lung injury and respiratory failure.
- **ichroma™ TSH** will provide accurate and reliable results subject to the below conditions.
  - Use **ichroma™ TSH** should be used only in conjunction with instrument for ichroma™ tests.
  - Have to use recommended anticoagulant sample.

Sample type	Recommended anticoagulant
Plasma	Sodium Heparin
Serum	Not applicable

## STORAGE AND STABILITY

- The cartridge is stable for 20 months (while sealed in an aluminum foil pouch) if stored at 4-30 °C.
- The detection buffer dispensed in a vial is stable for 20 months if stored at 2-8 °C.
- After the cartridge pouch is opened, the test should be performed immediately.
- After the detection buffer is opened, it is stable for 12 months if store at 2-8 °C with the lid closed.

## LIMITATION OF THE TEST SYSTEM

- The test may yield false positive result(s) due to the cross-reactions and/or non-specific adhesion of certain sample components to the capture/detector antibodies.
- The test may yield false negative result(s) due to the non-responsiveness of the antigen to the antibodies which is most common if the epitope is masked by some unknown components, so therefore not being able to be detected or captured by the antibodies. The instability or degradation of the antigen with time and/or temperature may also cause false negative result as it makes antigen unrecognizable by the antibodies.
- Other factors may interfere with the test and cause erroneous results, such as technical/procedural errors, degradation of the test components/reagents or presence of interfering substances in the test samples.
- Any clinical diagnosis based on the test result must be supported by a comprehensive judgment of the concerned physician including clinical symptoms and other relevant test results.

## MATERIALS SUPPLIED

**REF** CFPC-22

Components of **ichroma™ TSH**

- Cartridge Box:
  - Cartridges 25
  - ID Chip 1
  - Instruction For Use 1
  - Sample Mixing Tubes 25
- Detection Buffer Vial 1

## MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT SUPPLIED ON DEMAND

Following items can be purchased separately from **ichroma™ TSH**. Please contact our sales division for more information.

- Instrument for **ichroma™** tests
  - **ichroma™ Reader** **REF** FR203
  - **ichroma™ II** **REF** FPRR021
- **ichroma™ Printer** **REF** FPRR007
- **Boditech Hormone Control** **REF** CFPO-95

## SAMPLE COLLECTION AND PROCESSING

The sample type for **ichroma™ TSH** is human serum/plasma.

- It is recommended to test the sample within 24 hours after collection.
- The serum or plasma should be separated from the clot by centrifugation within 3 hours after the collection of whole blood.
- Samples may be stored for up to 2 weeks at 2-8 °C prior to being tested.
- If testing will be delayed more than 2 weeks, samples should be frozen at -20 °C. Samples stored frozen at -20 °C for 3 months doesn't affect the quality of results.
- Once the sample was frozen, it should be used one time only for test, because repeated freezing and thawing can result in the change of test values.

## TEST SETUP

- Check the contents of **ichroma™ TSH**: Sealed Cartridge, Detection Buffer Vial, Sample Mixing Tubes and ID Chip.
- Ensure that the lot number of the cartridge matches that of the ID chip as well as the detection buffer.
- Keep the sealed cartridge (if stored in refrigerator) and the detection buffer tube at room temperature for at least 30 minutes just prior to the test. Place the cartridge on a clean, dust-free and flat surface.
- Turn on the instrument for **ichroma™** tests.
- Insert the ID Chip into the ID chip port of the instrument for **ichroma™** tests.
- Press the 'Select' button on the instrument for **ichroma™** tests. (Please refer to the 'Instrument for **ichroma™** tests Operation Manual' for complete information and operating instructions.)

## TEST PROCEDURE

### <Multi Mode>

- 1) Transfer 150 µL of sample (Human serum/plasma/control) using a transfer pipette to a sample mixing tube.
- 2) Add 75 µL detection buffer to the sample mixing tube containing sample.
- 3) Close the lid of the sample mixing tube and mix the sample thoroughly by shaking it about 10 times. (The sample mixture must be used immediately.)
- 4) Pipette out 75 µL of a sample mixture and load it into the sample well on the cartridge.
- 5) Leave the sample-loaded cartridge at room temperature for 12 minutes.

⚠ Scan the sample-loaded cartridge immediately when the incubation time is over. If not, it will cause inexact test result.

- 6) To scan the sample-loaded cartridge, insert it into the cartridge holder of the instrument for **ichroma™** tests. Ensure proper orientation of the cartridge before pushing it all the way inside the cartridge holder. An arrow has been marked on the cartridge especially for this purpose.
- 7) Press 'Select' button on the instrument for **ichroma™** tests to start the scanning process.
- 8) Instrument for **ichroma™** tests will start scanning the sample-loaded cartridge immediately.
- 9) Read the test result on the display screen of the instrument for **ichroma™** tests.

### <Single Mode>

- 1) Transfer 150 µL of sample (Human serum/plasma/control) using a transfer pipette to a sample mixing tube.
- 2) Add 75 µL detection buffer to the sample mixing tube containing sample.
- 3) Close the lid of the sample mixing tube and mix the sample thoroughly by shaking it about 10 times. (The sample mixture must be used immediately.)
- 4) Pipette out 75 µL of a sample mixture and load it into the sample well on the cartridge.
- 5) Inserting the sample-loaded cartridge into the holder of the instrument for **ichroma™** tests. Ensure proper orientation of the cartridge before pushing it all the way inside the cartridge holder. An arrow has been marked on the cartridge especially for this purpose.
- 6) Press 'Select' button on the instrument for **ichroma™** tests to start the scanning process.
- 7) The cartridge goes inside the Instrument for **ichroma™** tests and the instrument for **ichroma™** tests will automatically start scanning the sample-loaded cartridge after 12min.
- 8) Read the test result on the display screen of the instrument for **ichroma™** tests.

## INTERPRETATION OF TEST RESULT

- Instrument for **ichroma™** tests calculates the test result automatically and displays TSH concentration of the test sample in terms of µIU/mL.

- The reference range

Type	TSH(µIU/mL)
Adults	0.34-5.6

- Working range : 0.1-100 µIU/mL

## QUALITY CONTROL

- Quality control tests are a part of the good testing practice to confirm the expected results and validity of the assay and should be performed at regular intervals.
- The control tests should be performed immediately after opening a new test lot to ensure the test performance is not altered.
- Quality control tests should also be performed whenever there is any question concerning the validity of the test results.
- Control materials are not provided with **ichroma™ TSH**. For more information regarding obtaining the control materials, contact **Boditech Med Inc.'s Sales Division for assistance**. (Please refer to the instruction for use of control material.)

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS**

■ **Analytical sensitivity**

Limit of Blank (LoB)	0.03 µU/mL
Limit of Detection (LoD)	0.07 µU/mL
Limit of Quantitation (LoQ)	0.1 µU/mL

■ **Analytical specificity**

- Cross reactivity

There was no significant cross-reactivity from these materials with the **ichroma™ TSH** test measurement.

Cross reactivity materials	Concentration
hCG	1,500,000 mIU/ml
LH	1,500 mIU/ml
FSH	1,500 mIU/ml
PRL	1,500 µU/ml

- Interference

Except sodium citrate, there was no significant interference from these materials with the **ichroma™ TSH** test measurement. Sodium citrate had effect on **ichroma™ TSH** test in the procedure. Therefore, the use of samples containing sodium citrate is not recommended.

Interference materials	Concentration
D-glucose	60 mM/L
L-Ascorbic acid	0.2 mM/L
Bilirubin	0.4 mM/L
Hemoglobin	2 g/L
Cholesterol	13 mM/L
triglyceride	10 mg/ml
Sodium Citrate	16 mg/ml
Sodium Heparin	54 mg/ml

■ **Precision**

- Between Lot

One person tested three different lots of **ichroma™ TSH**, ten times at each concentration of the control standard.

- Between person

Three different persons tested **ichroma™ TSH**, ten times at each concentration of the control standard.

- Between day

One person tested **ichroma™ TSH** during five days, ten times at each concentration of the control standard.

- Between site

One person tested **ichroma™ T3** at three different sites, five times at each concentration of the control standard.

TSH Conc. [µU/mL]	Between-lot		Between-person		Between-day		Between-site	
	AVG	CV (%)	AVG	CV (%)	AVG	CV (%)	AVG	CV (%)
0.35	0.38	3.7	0.38	4.1	0.37	4.8	0.37	3.7
3.50	3.99	6.5	3.96	7.4	4.00	4.5	4.03	5.2
35.00	36.03	1.7	36.19	1.9	36.02	1.8	36.28	1.6

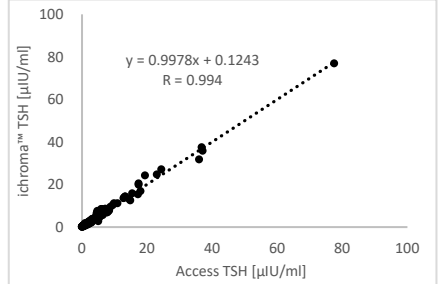
■ **Accuracy**

The accuracy was confirmed by testing with 3 different lots of **ichroma™ TSH**. The tests are repeated 6 times in each different concentration

TSH Conc. [µU/mL]	Lot 1	Lot 2	Lot 3	AV	Recovery (%)
0.18	0.19	0.18	0.19	0.19	106.8
0.53	0.53	0.54	0.53	0.53	101.9
3.68	3.76	3.97	3.84	3.86	104.9
19.25	18.74	19.42	18.74	18.97	98.5
52.50	50.84	52.58	50.82	51.41	97.9

■ **Comparability**

TSH concentrations of 149 serum samples were quantified independently with **ichroma™ TSH** and Access2 (Beckman Coulter Inc. USA) as per prescribed test procedures. Test results were compared and their comparability was investigated with linear regression and coefficient of correlation (R). Linear regression and coefficient of correlation between the two tests were  $Y = 0.9978X + 0.1243$  and  $R = 0.994$  respectively.



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**Note:** Please refer to the table below to identify various symbols

	Sufficient for <n> tests
	Read instruction for use
	Use by Date
	Batch code
	Catalog number
	Caution
	Manufacturer
	Authorized representative of the European Community
	In vitro diagnostic medical device
	Temperature limit
	Do not reuse
	This product fulfills the requirements of the Directive 98/79/EC on in vitro diagnostic medical devices

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

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