# Sure-Vue® hCG-STAT Serum Control Set

#### INTENDED USE

Sure-Vue® hCG-STAT Serum Controls are intended to be used to monitor the performance and accuracy of Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT pregnancy test kits. These controls are for professional use only.

# **SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION**

The use of known controls in the laboratory is invaluable. It is important to verify testing procedures to confirm the validity of the results reported. Testing with Sure-Vue® hCG-STAT Serum Controls will provide assurance that Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT pregnancy test kits are performing properly.

# REAGENTS AND MATERIALS

- 1. 10 mIU/mL hCG Positive Serum Control contains normal human serum and sodium azide 0.2%
- 250 mIU/mL hCG Positive Serum Control contains normal human serum and sodium azide 0.2%.
- 3. Negative Serum Control contains sodium azide 0.2%.

# **PRECAUTIONS**

- 1. For *In Vitro* diagnostic use only.
- Refer to the Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT package insert for specific precautions.
- Do not use controls if they are cloudy or if precipitates are observed in the vials. This may be an indication of reagent instability or deterioration.
- These controls contain 0.2% of sodium azide which may react with lead and copper plumbing to form explosive metal azides. Drains should be flushed thoroughly with water after disposing of controls to prevent azide buildup.
- 5. Do not use controls beyond the

- expiration date.
- Materials manufactured from source plasma. Each donor unit of plasma used in the preparation of this material was tested and found negative for HbsAG, HIV ½, HIV-lag and HCV by FDA approved methods. Specimens and controls should be considered potentially hazardous and handled in the same manner as an infectious agent.

#### **STORAGE**

Sure-Vue® hCG-STAT Serum Controls are to be stored refrigerated ( $2^{\circ}$  -  $8^{\circ}$ C) for the duration of the shelf-life. The controls must be equilibrated to room temperature ( $15^{\circ}$  -  $30^{\circ}$ C) before use.

#### **PROCEDURE**

#### **Directions for Use**

- Allow the controls to reach room temperature prior to testing. The controls are ready to use. No dilution is required.
- The controls are used in place of the specimen and should be tested according to the Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT package insert.

# INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

#### **Positive Results**

The 10 mIU/mL hCG and 250 mIU/mL hCG Positive Serum Controls should produce positive results.

## **Negative Results**

The Negative Serum Control should produce a negative result.

#### **Invalid Results**

See the "Invalid Results" section from the Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT package insert. The test should be repeated.

# LIMITATIONS OF THE PROCEDURE

 These controls are formulated for use as quality control specimens in the reagent

- verification of Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT pregnancy test kits. See the Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT package insert for guidelines in procedure and interpretation.
- Refer to the Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT package insert for further limitations.

# EXPECTED VALUES

The 10mIU/mL hCG and 250 mIU/mL hCG Positive Serum Controls should produce positive results. The Negative Serum Control should produce a negative result. If the desired result is not achieved, it may be an indication of the following:

- 1. The test kit is not performing properly.
- 2. The test was not performed correctly according to the package insert.

Invalid results should be analyzed to determine probable causes and to provide solutions for corrective actions.

# PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Sure-Vue® hCG-STAT Serum Controls have been designed to produce correct results in Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT pregnancy test kits. These controls have been tested with Sure-Vue® Serum/Urine hCG-STAT pregnancy test kits and were found to produce satisfactory results.¹

# REFERENCES

Data on file

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