



## Fibrinogen Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit

### INTENDED USE

**VALIDATE** Fibrinogen Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit solutions are assayed quality control materials intended for in vitro diagnostic use in the quantitative determination of linearity, calibration verification and verification of reportable range for Fibrinogen activity on automated instruments in a clinical laboratory setting by laboratory personnel. The product is intended for use on the Stago STA® analyzers.

### SUMMARY

Each **VALIDATE** Fibrinogen Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit contains purified chemicals in a human plasma matrix. Multiple levels are provided to establish the relationship between theoretical and actual performance of the Fibrinogen analyte. The **VALIDATE** Fibrinogen Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit will assist in the documentation of linearity, calibration verification and verification of linear range required by many inspection agencies. The solutions will also provide assistance when troubleshooting instrument systems, reagent problems and calibration anomalies.

Each test kit contains one bottle each of Levels 1 through 5. Each bottle contains 2.0 milliliters. There exists a linear relationship among Levels 1 through 5.

### REAGENTS

#### Reactive Ingredients:

Purified chemicals and constituents of human and/or animal source in human plasma.

#### Nonreactive Ingredients:

Preservatives and stabilizers.

#### Precautions and Warnings:

*For In Vitro Diagnostic Use*

Disposal of all waste material should be in accordance with local guidelines.

#### WARNING: Potentially Biohazardous

Human source material is considered potentially biohazardous. Use the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommended universal precautions for handling **VALIDATE** products.

### STORAGE AND STABILITY

The **VALIDATE** Fibrinogen Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit is stored at -10° to -25°C. **Do NOT store in a frost-free freezer.** Test kits are stable until the expiration date printed on the bottle and storage container when handled according to instructions. **Test kits are stable for up to six hours after thawing, please discard after that time.**

### PREPARATION

Prior to use, remove the **VALIDATE** Fibrinogen Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit from storage. Do NOT thaw at room temperature, thaw for 5 minutes in 37°C water bath. Invert gently several times before dispensing.

Discard any solutions that appear to have gross bacterial contamination.

The **VALIDATE** Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit should be treated in the same manner as patient samples. If dilutions or pre-treatment are required as part of the testing procedure, follow the manufacturer's instructions.

### MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

Stago STA® analyzer

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### ASSAY

Analyze each level in replicates. If following the CLSI EP6 guidelines for linearity, use a random analytical sequence to assay each level.

### CALCULATION OF RESULTS

**VALIDATE** Calibration Verification / Linearity material is prepared in a manner such that an equal distance (delta) exists between Levels 1 through 5. This dilution scheme is consistent with the CLSI EP6 recommendation for preparing linearity sets.

Two examples for calculating the theoretical values of Levels 1 through 5 are provided below.

#### Example 1:

Choose two consecutive levels and calculate the delta between the recovered values. The following example demonstrates the use of the delta between Levels 2 and 3 to calculate the theoretical value for Levels 1, 4, and 5.

Level 3 – Level 2 = Delta

Level 1 Theoretical = Level 2 Recovered – Delta

Level 4 Theoretical = Level 3 Recovered + Delta

Level 5 Theoretical = Level 4 Theoretical + Delta

NOTE: The user can select the calculated delta between any two consecutive levels to calculate the theoretical values. Typically, the user should choose an area of recovery known to be linear for the method being studied.

#### Example 2:

Theoretical values can be determined using the recovered values for Levels 1 and 5. Using this method, the following formulas apply:

Level 2 Theoretical =  $0.75 * (\text{Level 1}) + 0.25 * (\text{Level 5})$

Level 3 Theoretical =  $0.5 * (\text{Level 1}) + 0.5 * (\text{Level 5})$

Level 4 Theoretical =  $0.25 * (\text{Level 1}) + 0.75 * (\text{Level 5})$

After theoretical values are calculated, for each analyte plot the expected (Theoretical) value on the x-axis versus the Recovered value on the y-axis using standard linear graph paper. If the system is linear, the plot should approximate a straight line. The point at which the line is no longer straight can be used to determine the limit of linearity or the reportable range.

Data reduction is available from LGC Maine Standards. Commercially available linear regression software may also be used. The software should provide data point display and x-y graphical presentation. Linear regression should be interpreted using standard statistical analysis and the results should be compared with the instrument manufacturer's claims for linearity or with individual laboratory performance requirements. The degree of acceptable nonlinearity is an individual judgment based on methodology, clinical significance and medical decision levels of the test analyte.

### LIMITATIONS

**VALIDATE** Fibrinogen Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit solutions are not intended for use as calibration materials. They are limited for use with: Stago STA® analyzers.

### EXPECTED VALUES

**VALIDATE** Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kits are manufactured such that an equal distance (delta) exists between levels as recommended by CLSI EP6 for assessing linearity. As the distance between levels is equal, any two levels can be held to be 'true' when assayed and the theoretical values for each of the other three levels can be calculated allowing this test kit to be used on multiple automated instrument systems.

## PRECISION AND REPRODUCIBILITY

Product precision and reproducibility were established following the CLSI EP05-A3 standard requirements. Three lots of **VALIDATE** Fibrinogen were tested with one lot of Stago STA® reagent and quality controls on the Stago STA® instrument system over 20 days, 2 runs per day, 2 replicates per run for Level 1 through Level 5 to obtain a total of eighty (80) replicates per kit Level per individual lot (total of 240 replicates per kit Level over 3 lots).

### VALIDATE Fibrinogen Precision Study Summary Three Individual Lots – Stago STA®

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Sample	N	mean	Within-Run		Between-Run		Between-Day		Between-Lot	
			SD	%CV	SD	%CV	SD	%CV	SD	%CV
Level 1	240	206	4.5	2%	4.3	2%	0.0	0%	6.2	3%
Level 2	240	352	6.4	2%	7.9	2%	0.0	0%	10.2	3%
Level 3	240	496	9.3	2%	13.3	3%	0.0	0%	16.3	3%
Level 4	240	636	12.1	2%	15.2	2%	0.0	0%	19.5	3%
Level 5	240	766	16.3	2%	15.3	2%	0.0	0%	20.7	3%

Reproducibility was evaluated with the VALIDATE Fibrinogen kit containing 5 levels following the product package insert instructions. One lot of **VALIDATE** Fibrinogen Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit was tested with one lot of Stago STA® reagent and quality controls on three instruments, multi-site, over 5 days, with 1 run per day of Level 1 through Level 5, with 5 replicates per run to obtain seventy-five (75) replicates per kit level.

VALIDATE® Fibrinogen Reproducibility Study - Stago STA® Lot AS26317RD mg/dL								
Sample	N	mean	Repeatability		Within Laboratory		Reproducibility	
			SD	%CV	SD	%CV	SD	%CV
Level 1	75	209	4.6	2%	7.3	4%	7.7	4%
Level 2	75	354	8.9	3%	12.2	3%	12.8	4%
Level 3	75	493	11.0	2%	16.9	3%	18.4	4%
Level 4	75	631	21.1	3%	23.5	4%	26.6	4%
Level 5	75	754	16.4	2%	22.7	3%	25.1	3%

## TYPICAL VALUES

Actual results obtained may vary depending on instrumentation, methodology and assay temperature. Results may also be dependent on the accuracy of the instrument / reagent system calibration. The degree of acceptable nonlinearity is an individual judgment based on methodology, clinical significance and medical decision levels of the test analyte.

Typical recovered values are calculated based on CLSI EP6 equal distance (delta) manufacturing protocols where two recovered values can be held as "True", and other levels calculated based on equal distance. VALIDATE typically uses Level 1 and Level 3 to calculate additional target values.

### Typical Recovered Values on Stago STA®

#### 904st Lot #: 94BE239210

Analyte	Units	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Fibrinogen	mg/dL	198	344	491	638	785

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## ORDERING INFORMATION

ORDER NO.: 904st

**VALIDATE** Fibrinogen  
Calibration Verification / Linearity Test Kit:  
5 x 2 mL



**CE Symbols** – This product fulfills the requirements of the European Directive 98/79/EC for *in vitro* medical devices. The following symbols may be used where applicable in labeling for Maine Standards Company products:



Lot Number



Expiration Date



Manufacturer



Storage Temperature



*In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Device*



Catalog Number



Insert



Biological Risk



Do Not Reuse



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For a list of countries in which VALIDATE® is registered see:  
[http://www.maineStandards.com/Products/ce\\_reg.php](http://www.maineStandards.com/Products/ce_reg.php)

**Rx Only**

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