INTENDED USE

The BZO One Step Benzodiazepines Test Device (Urine) is a lateral flow chromatographic immunoassay for the detection of Oxazepam (major metabolite) in urine at a cut-off concentration of 300 ng/mL. This test will detect other related compounds, please refer to the Analytical Specificity table in this package insert.
This assay provides only a qualitative, preliminary analytical test result. A more specific alternate chemical method must be used in order to obtain a confirmed analytical result. Gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) is the preferred confirmatory method. Clinical consideration and professional judgment should be applied to any drug of abuse test result, particularly when preliminary positive results are used.

INTRODUCTION

Benzodiazepines are medications that are frequently prescribed for the symptomatic treatment of anxiety and sleep disorders. They produce their effects via specific receptors involving a neurochemical called gamma aminobutyric acid (GABA). Because they are safer and more effective, Benzodiazepines have replaced Barbiturates in the treatment of both anxiety and insomnia. Benzodiazepines are also used as sedatives before some surgical and medical procedures, and for the treatment of seizure disorders and alcohol withdrawal.
Risk of physical dependence increases if Benzodiazepines are taken regularly (e.g., daily) for more than a few months, especially at higher than normal doses. Stopping abruptly can bring on such symptoms as trouble sleeping, gastrointestinal upset, feeling unwell, loss of appetite, sweating, trembling, weakness, anxiety and changes in perception. Only trace amounts (less than 1%) of most Benzodiazepines are excreted unaltered in the urine; most of the concentration in urine is conjugated drug. The detection period for the Benzodiazepines in the urine is 3-7 days.
The BZO One Step Benzodiazepines Test Device (Urine) is a rapid urine-screening test that can be performed without the use of an instrument. The test utilizes the antibody to selectively detect elevated levels of Benzodiazepines in urine. The BZO One Step Benzodiazepines Test Device (Urine) yields a positive result when the Benzodiazepines in urine exceeds the cut-off level.

PRINCIPLE

The BZO One Step Benzodiazepines Test Device (Urine) is an immunoassay based on the principle of competitive binding. Drugs that may be present in the urine specimen compete against the drug conjugate for binding sites on the antibody.
During testing, a urine specimen migrates upward by capillary action. Benzodiazepines, if present in the urine specimen below the cut-off level, will not saturate the binding sites of the antibody in the test. The antibody coated particles will then be captured by immobilized Benzodiazepines-protein conjugate and a visible colored line will show up in the test line region. The colored line will not form in the test line region if the Benzodiazepines level exceeds the cut-off level, because it will saturate all the binding sites of anti-Benzodiazepines antibody.

A drug-positive urine specimen will not generate a colored line in the test line region because of drug competition, while a drug-negative urine specimen or a specimen containing a drug concentration less than the cut-off will generate a line in the test line region. To serve as a procedural control, a colored line will always appear at the control line region indicating that proper volume of specimen has been added and membrane wicking has occurred.

KIT COMPONENTS

Individually packed Test Devices	Each device contains a strip with colored conjugates and reactive reagents pre-spreaded at the corresponding regions.
Disposable pipettes	For adding specimens use.
Package insert	For operation instruction.

MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

Specimen collection container	For specimens collection use.
Timer	For timing use.

PRECAUTIONS

- For professional *in vitro* diagnostic use only.
- Do not use after expiration date indicated on the package. Do not use the test if its foil pouch is damaged. Do not reuse tests.
- This kit contains products of animal origin. Certified knowledge of the origin and/or sanitary state of the animals does not totally guarantee the absence of transmissible pathogenic agents. It is therefore, recommended that these products be treated as potentially infectious, and handled observing the usual safety precautions (do not ingest or inhale).
- Avoid cross-contamination of specimens by using a new specimen collection container for each specimen obtained.
- Read the entire procedure carefully prior to performing any tests.
- Do not eat, drink or smoke in the area where the specimens and kits are handled. Handle all specimens as if they contain infectious agents. Observe established precautions against microbiological hazards throughout the procedure and follow the standard procedures for proper disposal of specimens. Wear protective clothing such as laboratory coats, disposable gloves and eye protection when specimens are assayed.
- Humidity and temperature can adversely affect results.
- The used testing materials should be discarded in accordance with local, state and/or federal regulations.

STORAGE AND STABILITY

- The kit should be stored at 2-30°C until the expiry date printed on the sealed pouch.
- The test must remain in the sealed pouch until use.
- **Do not freeze.**
- Cares should be taken to protect components in this kit from contamination. Do not use if there is evidence of microbial contamination or precipitation. Biological contamination of dispensing equipments, containers or reagents can lead to false results.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND STORAGE

- The urine specimen must be collected in a clean and dry container. Urine collected at any time of the day may be used. Urine specimens exhibiting visible particles should be centrifuged, filtered, or allowed to settle to obtain clear specimen for testing.
- Collected urine specimens must be put in clear and dry containers.
- Perform the testing immediately after the specimen collection. Do not leave the specimens at room temperature for prolonged periods. Specimens may be stored at 2-8°C for up to 48 hours. For long term storage, specimens should be kept below -20°C.
- Bring specimens to room temperature prior to testing. Frozen specimens must be completely thawed and mixed well prior to testing. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing of specimens.
- Pack the specimens in compliance with applicable regulations for transportation of etiological agents, in case they need to be shipped.

PROCEDURE

Bring tests, specimens and/or controls to room temperature (15-30°C) before use.

1. Bring the pouch to room temperature before opening it. Remove the test device from the sealed pouch and use it as soon as possible.
2. Place the test device on a clean and level surface. Hold the dropper vertically and **transfer 3 full drops of urine** (approx. 100 µL) to the specimen well (S) of the test device, and then start the timer. Avoid trapping air bubbles in the specimen well (S).
3. Wait for the colored line(s) to appear. **Read results at 5 minutes.** Do not interpret the result after 10 minutes.

INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

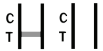
POSITIVE RESULT:

Only one colored band appears in the control region (C). No apparent colored band appears in the test region (T).

NEGATIVE RESULT:

Two colored bands appear on the membrane. One band appears in the control region (C) and another band appears in the test region (T).

INVALID RESULT:



Control band fails to appear. Results from any test which has not produced a control band at the specified reading time must be disgarded. Please review the procedure and repeat with a new test. If the problem persists, discontinue using the kit immediately and contact your local distributor.

NOTE:

1. The intensity of the color in test region (T) may vary depending on the concentration of aimed substances present in the specimen. Therefore, any shade of color in the test region should be considered negative. Besides, the concentration level can not be determined by this qualitative test.
2. Insufficient specimen volume, incorrect operation procedure, or performing expired tests are the most likely reasons for control band failure.

QUALITY CONTROL

- Internal procedural controls are included in the test. A colored band appearing in the control region (C) is considered an internal positive procedural control. It confirms sufficient specimen volume and correct procedural technique.
- External controls are not supplied with this kit. It is recommended that positive and negative controls be tested as a good laboratory practice to confirm the test procedure and to verify proper test performance.

LIMITATIONS OF THE TEST

1. The BZO One Step Benzodiazepines Test Device (Urine) provides only a qualitative, preliminary analytical result. A secondary analytical method must be used to obtain a confirmed result. Gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) is the preferred confirmatory method. [1,2]
2. It is possible that technical or procedural errors, as well as other interfering substances in the urine specimen may cause erroneous results.
3. Adulterants, such as bleach and/or alum, in urine specimens may produce erroneous results regardless of the analytical method used. If adulteration is suspected, the test should be repeated with another urine specimen.
4. A positive result indicates presence of the drug or its metabolites but does not indicate level of intoxication, administration route or concentration in urine.
5. A negative result may not necessarily indicate drug-free urine. Negative results can be obtained when drug is present but below the cut-off level of the test.
6. Test does not distinguish between drugs of abuse and certain medications.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

A. Accuracy

The accuracy of the BZO One Step Benzodiazepines Test Device (Urine) was compared and checked against commercially available tests with a threshold value at the same cut-off levels. Urine samples taken from volunteers claiming to be non-users were examined under both tests. The results were >99.9% in agreement.

B. Reproducibility

The reproducibility of the BZO One Step Benzodiazepines Test Device (Urine) was verified by blind tests performed at four different locations. Samples with Benzodiazepines concentrations at 50% of the cut-off were all determined to be negative, while samples with Benzodiazepines concentrations at 200% of the cut-off were all determined to be positive.

C. Precision

Test precision was determined by blind tests with control solutions. Controls with Benzodiazepines concentrations at 50% of the cut-off yielded negative results, and controls with Benzodiazepines concentrations at 150% of the cut-off yielded positive results.

D. Specificity

The following tables list the concentrations of compounds (ng/mL) above which the BZO One Step Benzodiazepines Test Device (Urine) identified positive results at 5 minutes.

Related Compound	Conc. (ng/mL)	Related Compound	Conc. (ng/mL)
Alprazolam	196	Diazepam	195
a-hydroxyalprazolam	1,262	Estazolam	2,500
Bromazepam	1,562	Flunitrazepam	390
Chlordiazepoxide	1,562	(±) Lorazepam	1,562
Clobazam	98	RS-Lorazepam glucuronide	156
Clonazepam	781	Midazolam	12,500
Clorazepate dipotassium	195	Nitrazepam	98
Delorazepam	1,562	Norchlordiazepoxide	195
Desalkylflurazepam	390	Temazepam	98
Nordiazepam	390	Triazolam	2,500
Oxazepam	300		

Index or Symbols

	Attention, see instructions for use		Tests per Kit		Manufacturer
IVD	For *in vitro*		Use by	2	Do not reuse
	Store between 2 - 30°C	LOT	Lot Number	REF	Catalogue Number

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