



Epitestosterone [HRP] (DAGB350)

This product is for research use only and is not intended for diagnostic use.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Specificity	Each conjugate comprises antigen covalently bound to horseradish peroxide and is suitable as a tracer in immunoassay development.
Species	N/A
Conjugate	HRP
Applications	IA
Format	The conjugate is supplied as a concentrate. Dilute as required and use working strength conjugate immediately after dilution
Preservative	None
Storage	2 - 8°C for up to 3 months / -20°C for long term storage

BACKGROUND

Introduction	Epitestosterone is an endogenous antiandrogen steroid, an epimer of the hormone testosterone. It is a weak competitive antagonist of the androgen receptor (AR) and a potent 5 α -reductase inhibitor. Structurally, it differs from testosterone only in the configuration at the OH-bearing carbon, C17. Epitestosterone is believed to form in a similar way to testosterone; a 1993 study found that around 50% of epitestosterone production in human males can be ascribed to the testis, although the exact pathway of its formation is still the subject of research. It has been shown to accumulate in mammary cyst fluid and in the prostate. Epitestosterone levels are typically highest in young males; however, by adulthood, most healthy males exhibit a testosterone to epitestosterone ratio (T/E ratio) of about 1:1.
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