

#### **NEW ENTERIC PRODUCT**

Vero-cytotoxin / Shiga toxin producing *E. coli* (VTEC/STEC) represents a significant threat to public health causing food-borne and water-borne diarrhoeal disease and mortality worldwide. Prompt detection is necessary to prevent outbreaks, secondary transmission and to direct appropriate treatment therapies. The new *SHIGA TOXIN QUIK CHEK* test is the **only** rapid test able to detect VTEC/STEC Toxins directly from faecal samples.

Traditional methods focus on O157 VTEC species which means non-O157 serotypes often go undetected.<sup>2</sup> If left undetected, these conditions can progress to life-threatening diseases such as Haemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS).<sup>1</sup> The recent non-O157 outbreak in Germany caused substantial mortality and has highlighted the need for new diagnostics to address this pathogen.<sup>3</sup>

## **Unique Product**

- Direct detection of VTEC/STEC Toxins from primary faecal samples
- Diagnosis up to 24 hours earlier than other rapid tests or traditional methods
- Analytical Sensitivity: 0.04 ng/mL Stx1 and Stx2
- Differentiation of Shiga Toxins (Stx1 and Stx2)

# Easy to Use

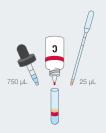
- Utilises the popular TECHLAB® "QUIK CHEK" format
- Results in under 30 minutes
- Compatible with primary faecal samples, broth, plate cultures and specimens in transport media



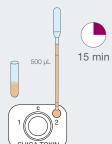
To learn more about cost-effective, sensitive, rapid detection of **VTEC/STEC**, contact your local Alere Representative.

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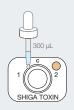
- 1 Add to a test tube:
  - 750 µL (2nd graduation) Diluent\*
  - 1 drop Conjugate
  - 25 μL (1st graduation) of Specimen\* Mix thoroughly.



2 Transfer 500 μL (highest graduation on transfer pipette) from tube to small Sample Well. Keep the cassette at room temperature and wait 15 minutes.



**3** Add 300 μL Wash Buffer to large Reaction Window. Allow to completely absorb.



**4** Add 2 drops *Substrate* to large *Reaction Window*. Keep the cassette at room temperature and wait 10 minutes. Read results.



\*For broth specimens in transport media, use 650 µL (1st graduation) Diluent and 100 µL (two drops from pipette) Specimen. For complete instructions for use, see the package insert.

## Easy to Read



Positive STX1
Positive STX2



Positive STX1
Negative STX2



Negative STX1 Positive STX2



Negative STX1 Negative STX2

## **Direct Faecal Testing Results**

	Vero-cytotoxin Assay	
n = 506	Stx1 +	Stx1 -
STQC Stx1 +	32	0
STQC Stx1 -	1	473

Sensitivity: 97% Specificity: 100%

	Vero-cytotoxin Assay	
n = 506	Stx2 +	Stx2 -
STQC Stx2 +	32	0
STQC Stx2 -	1	473

Sensitivity: 97% Specificity: 100%

#### Product order information:

SHIGA TOXIN QUIK CHEK – Rapid membrane Enzyme Immunoassay (EIA) Product code: T30625 (25 tests)

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#### Other tests in the TECHLAB® range:

**C. DIFF QUIK CHEK COMPLETE®** - Simultaneous detection of GDH and Toxins A and B from *Clostridium difficile*.

**GIARDIA/CRYPTOSPORIDIUM QUIK CHEK** - Simultaneous detection and differentiation of the parasites *Giardia lamblia* and *Cryptosporidium parvum*.

**LEUKO EZ VUE®** - Detect elevated levels of faecallactoferrin, a marker of fecal leukocytes and an indicator of intestinal inflammation.

# To learn more about detecting **VTEC/STEC** Toxins direct from primary samples contact your local Alere Representative.

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