



Is serum folate bioassay now due for retirement?

Until now, bioassay has been the method of choice in folate testing. Even though there are inherent disadvantages in the method, there hasn't been a more reliable alternative.

Now there is, with our new Serum Folate Radioassay which is simpler, faster and more reproducible than bioassay.

Our test is not affected by antibiotics, and is standardised on N⁵ methyltetrahydrofolate the predominant form of folate circulating in blood. A unique selenium-75 γ -label is used for ease of counting, and the assay has been designed to be most precise in the clinically important range of 1.5-4.0ng/ml.

Added to all these advantages our radioassay only takes 2-3 hours, so who needs bioassay?



**The Radiochemical Centre
Amersham**

The new Serum Folate Radioassay kit

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HYPOTHYROIDISM



Phadebas TSH Test can give the answer

No other single test is as specific in the diagnosis of primary hypothyroidism. It also provides essential information for

- Confirming hyperthyroidism¹
- Differential diagnosis of primary or secondary Hypothyroidism²
- Control of substitution therapy in hypothyroidism.

Features

- Unequalled specificity – no significant cross reaction with LH, FSH or HCG.
- Clinical accuracy – ensured by calibration against MRC 68/38.
- Gives results comparable with lengthy double-antibody assays, in only 48 hours.
- Now available in a more economical, larger pack.

Phadebas TSH Test

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