

# Clearview® EASY hCG (502575)

## Frequently Asked Questions

Clearview® EASY hCG detection test is a rapid diagnostic device for the qualitative detection of human chorionic gonadotrophin (hCG) in urine.

### **How sensitive is the Clearview® EASY hCG pregnancy test?**

Clearview EASY hCG is sensitive to 25 mIU/ml hCG in urine.

### **How accurate is the Clearview EASY hCG pregnancy test?**

Clearview EASY hCG has been shown to be > 99% accurate in clinical trials.

### **Can urine samples be stored in the fridge / freezer?**

Yes, they can be stored for up to 72 hours between 2 - 8°C or up to 3 months if frozen at -20°C. However, samples must always be brought to room temperature prior to use.

### **Can the Clearview EASY hCG pregnancy test be used directly from the fridge?**

No, although the kit can be stored at 2 - 30°C, it must be allowed to equilibrate at 18 - 30°C before use.

### **Do urine samples need to be collected in containers containing preservatives?**

No. The use of preservatives has not been validated with Clearview EASY hCG. Do not add preservatives or use a container with preservative.

### **How soon can the Clearview EASY hCG pregnancy test be used?**

Clearview EASY hCG can detect hCG in urine at concentrations  $\geq$  25 mIU/ml. On the first day of the expected period the level of hCG in the urine of a pregnant woman is expected to range between 50 – 250 mIU/ml.

### **When is the best time of day to test?**

It is possible to use Clearview EASY hCG with a urine sample collected at any time of day, however a first morning urine sample will usually contain the highest level of hCG.

### **How critical is the timing and are the results stable?**

The result should be read 3 minutes after sample application, do not interpret results after 10 minutes.

### **The Test Line is very faint, what does this mean?**

Samples containing 5 – 25 mIU/ml hCG may produce weak positive results. In such cases a repeat test is recommended 48 to 72 hours later. However, provided the Control Line is present a weak positive should be recorded as a valid positive result.

### **Sometimes the Test Line can be fainter or darker than the Control Line. How should this result be interpreted?**

The presence of the Test Line in the Result Window indicates a positive result, regardless of its intensity compared to the Control Line.

### **No Control Line has appeared in the Result Window, what does this mean?**

The test has not run correctly. This may occur if the pouch has been opened for too long prior to the test being carried out. It could also be a consequence of adding insufficient or excessive sample to the test.

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## **Will fertility drugs affect the test result?**

Fertility drugs containing hCG can give misleading results. We recommend that a pregnancy test is not carried out until at least 14 days have passed since the administration of these drugs. Testing too soon may give a false positive result.

## **Do hormonal contraceptives affect the test?**

No. However if a woman has recently discontinued the use of hormonal contraceptives her periods may not be regular. In such cases we recommend testing 19 days after the last unprotected sexual intercourse.

## **Can the Clearview EASY hCG pregnancy test be used to detect ectopic pregnancy?**

Clearview EASY hCG can be a useful aid in the diagnosis of ectopic pregnancy, although it cannot distinguish ectopic pregnancies from normal pregnancies. As ectopic pregnancies may produce lower levels of hCG than those found in normal pregnancies of a similar gestational time-point, it is important that a sensitive hCG test is used. If an ectopic pregnancy is suspected, it should always be followed up with a suitable confirmatory method.

*Please see instructions for use for full information.*

*If you have any further questions please do contact us via the enquiry button on the product page.*

*For reference hCG positive and negative controls are available (510068). Please evaluate these in-house.*