IDK® Casomorphin/Gliadorphin Peptides



LC-MS/MS determination of 8 casomorphin and gliadorphin peptides in urine

- Determination of the inability to digest gluten and casein peptides
- Detection of different classes of gluten and casein peptides
- Indication for autism, schizophrenia, Asperger syndrome, ADD, dyslexia, chronic fatigue, fibromyalgia, depressions ...

Casomorphin and Gliadorphin LS-MS/MS Kit

Exorphins are bioactive peptides which can react with opiate receptors. These peptides are derived from the incomplete hydrolysis of the milk protein casein and the wheat protein gluten and gliadin. Casomorphin (BCM7 from casein) and gliadorphin-7 (from gluten) have been widely studied and are linked to gastrointestinal, neurological, and neurodevelopmental disorders.

These short peptides are usually broken down by the enzyme dipeptidyl-peptidase IV (DPPIV). In people with autism, schizophrenia and other neurological disorders, either a genetic deficiency or inhibition of this enzyme, e.g. by drugs treating diabetes type 2, mercury or yeast, can occur.



Both ways, this proteolytic enzyme can't act properly and leaves incompletely digested peptides behind which are able to pass the blood-brain barrier after the uptake from the intestinal lining into the bloodstream. In the brain, these bioactive peptides can bind to opiate receptors and mimic the effects of opiate drugs like heroine and morphine. This can result in change of behavior, lack of focus and attention, sleepiness and even aggression and self-abuse.



Wheat and milk allergies are associated casomorphin/gliadorphin problems. Even if no milk or wheat allergies occur some people can still react negatively to these peptides.

Children with autism and ADHS can benefit from an elimination diet – gluten-free, casein-free (GfCf) diet. Physical and mental health can be improved.

ß-casomorphin-7 is similar to gliadorphin-7 and both peptides are seven amino acids long with a beginning N-terminal Tyr-Pro with additional Pro in position 4 and 6.

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Casomorphin | Tyr | Pro | Phe | Pro | Gly | Pro | lle |
| Gliadorphin | Tyr | Pro | Gln | Pro | Gln | Pro | Phe |

This test is superior to any other tests because no nutrional regimen, e.g. abandonment of soy products, prior to sample collection is required.

Specimen requirements

Ten (10) ml of the first morning urine should be collected before food and drink. Please use our urine stabilization container (*DZ9030UT*).

Which peptides can be detected with the *IDK*[®] LC-MS/MS method?

| Gluten | Exorphin | Amino acid sequence | |
|---------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Glutein | Gluten Exorphin A5 | Gly-Tyr-Tyr-Pro-Thr | |
| | Gluten Exorphin B5 | Tyr-Gly-Gly-Trp-Leu | |
| | Gluten Exorphin C | Tyr-Pro-Ile-Ser-Leu | |
| Gliadin | Gliadorphin | Tyr-Pro-Gln-Pro-Gln-Pro-Phe | |

| Milk protein | Exorphin | Amino acid sequence | |
|--------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| ß –Casein | ß-Casomorphin 3 | Tyr-Pro-Phe | |
| | ß-Casomorphin 4 | Tyr-Pro-Phe-Pro | |
| | ß-Casomorphin 4, amide | Tyr-Pro-Phe-Pro-NH ₂ | |
| | ß-Casomorphin 7 | Tyr-Pro-Phe-Pro-Gly-Pro-Ile | |

Assay specifications

The *IDK*[®] **Casomorphin/Gliadorphin Peptides** Kit (*KM8000*) contains all reagents needed for 100 tests inclusive calibrators and controls. The urine stabilization containers (*DZ9030UT*) have to be ordered separately.

| IDK® Casomorphin/Gliadorphin Peptides | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| Matrix | Stabilized urine | | | |
| Sample volume | 1 ml | | | |
| Test principle | LC-MS/MS | | | |
| Analaysis time | 15 min | | | |
| Flow rate | gradient | | | |
| Mode | MRM | | | |
| Polarity | ESI positive | | | |
| Tests | 100 | | | |
| Cat. No. | KM8000 | | | |



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