

TROUBLESHOOTING PROCEDURES

THE MOST COMMON TROUBLESHOOTING WITH THE QUICK TEST OR THE LABTEST TECHNOLOGY IS THE ABSENCE OF MIGRATION OF RED BLOOD CELLS ALONG THE STRIP. WE HAVE NOTICED THAT THE CAUSES ARE OFTEN THE SAME: ICTERUS PLASMA ASSOCIATED WITH IMHA AND/OR COLD AGGLUTIN ANEMIA.

OUR TECHNOLOGY WILL ALLOW YOU TO SCREEN THE PRESENCE OF COLD AGGLUTININ ANEMIA AND SOMETIMES SEVERE IMHA.



EXAMPLE OF RESULT WITH NO MIGRATION

PROCEDURE:

STEP 1:

- MIX $10\mu L$ of blood with 3 drops of buffer into the well
- HEAT THE SUSPENSION AT 37° (98F) DURING 15 MINUTES
- PERFORM THE TEST AGAIN
- INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULT:

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO READ A RELIABLE RESULT, IT MEANS THAT THE CAUSE IS COLD AGGLUTININ. IF YOU ARE STILL UNABLE TO READ THE RESULT, PROCEED TO STEP 2.

STEP 2:

- WASH 3 TIMES RED BLOOD CELLS (SEE PROCEDURE BELOW)
- MIX 5µL OF PACKED RED BLOOD CELLS AND 3 DROPS OF BUFFER
- PERFORM THE TEST AGAIN
- INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULT:

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO READ A RELIABLE RESULT, IT MEANS THAT THE CAUSE COULD BE AN ICTERUS DUE TO AN IMHA. PROCEED TO A DIRECT ANTI-GLOBULIN TEST FOR CONFIRMATION.

WASHING RED BLOOD CELLS

PROCEDURE



Prepare a 15ml test tube and label the tube with appropriate identification.



WITH A PIPETTE, PLACE $500\mu L$ of whole blood into the test tube.



FILL THE TUBE WITH 10ML NORMAL SALINE BUFFER



MIX WELL TO OBTAIN A HOMOGENEOUS SUSPENSION



CENTRIFUGE THE TUBE FOR 3 MINUTES AT 1000G OR 2300 RPM



DISCARD SUPERNATANT SALINE BUFFER FROM THE CELLS

REPEAT STEPS 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 THREE TIMES





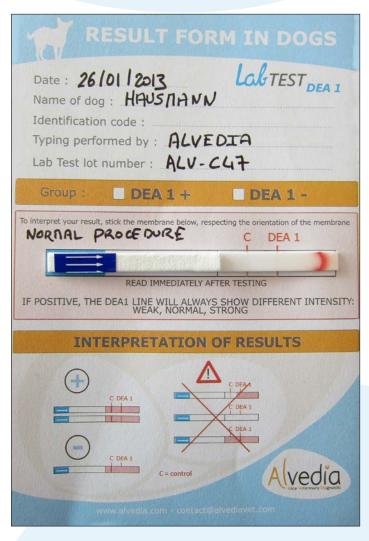
EXAMPLE OF CANINE COLD AGGLUTININ

USUAL PROCEDURE

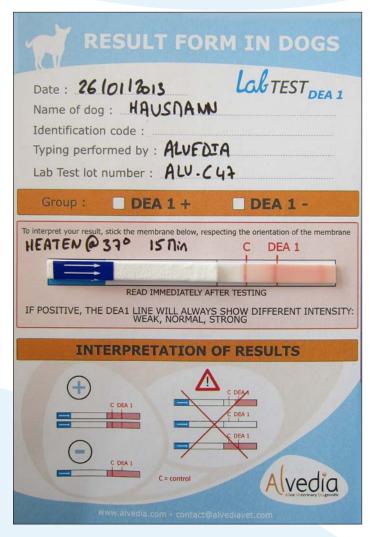
- 10µL OF WHOLE BLOOD
- 3 drops of buffer

RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE

- $10\mu L$ of whole blood
- 3 drops of buffer
- Suspension heaten at 37° (98f) during 15 minutes



ABSENCE OF MIGRATION



COMPLETE MIGRATION WITH RELIABLE RESUT

IN THIS CASE, A DIRECT ANTIGLOBULIN TEST (DAT) WAS PERFORMED. THE DAT WAS POSITIVE