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## ABSTRACT

**Summary:**

Triglycerides are enzymatically hydrolyzed by lipase to free fatty acids and glycerol. The glycerol is phosphorylated by adenosine triphosphate (ATP) with glycerol kinase (GK) to produce glycerol-3-phosphate and adenosine diphosphate. Glycerol-3-phosphate is oxidized by dihydroxyacetone phosphate (DAP) by glycerolphosphate oxidase producing hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>). In a Trinder5 type color reaction catalyzed by peroxidase, the H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> reacts with 4-aminoantipyrine (4-AAP) and 3,5-dichloro-2-hydroxybenzene sulfonate (DHBS) to produce a red colored dye. The absorbance of this dye is proportional to the concentration of triglycerides present in the sample.

## EXTERNAL LINK

<https://mmpc.org/shared/document.aspx?id=91&docType=Protocol>

## MATERIALS

NAME ▾	CATALOG # ▾	VENDOR ▾
Calibrator	TR43002	Fisher Diagnostics
Reagents	TR22203	Fisher Diagnostics
PBS		
Microplate		
Platereader		

## MATERIALS TEXT

**Reagent Preparation:**

PBS – ready to use

Reagent – reconstitute with distilled water to make a 2X solution

- 1 Reconstitute powdered reagent with only 25 ml of distilled water to make a 2X solution.
- 2 Add 3 µl of calibrator and sample to each well.
- 3 Add 150 µl of PBS to each well. Read at 540 nm.

**IMPORTANT:** Make sure not to add any bubbles to the wells when dispensing reagents, this will interfere with reading in the platereader.

- 4 Add 150 µl of 2X reagent to each well. Incubate at 37°C for 5 minutes. Read at 540 nm.
- 5 Subtract blank readings from final readings. The assay will be linear so the unknown samples can be calculated as  $(\text{Sample Absorbance} \div \text{Calibrator Absorbance}) \times \text{Calibrator Concentration}$ .



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