

iFOB Test

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the CMS suggested CPT code and National Limit amount for the QuickVue iFOB kit?

The suggested CPT codes are:*

■ Medicare/Medicaid:

Diagnostic 82274QW Screening G0328QW

■ Private Insurance:

Diagnostic 82274 Screening 82274

The Medicare National Limit amount** is \$19.64.

What is the CLIA complexity of the kit?

The test is CLIA waived.

Should we run external controls with this kit?

Good laboratory practice recommends the use of external quality controls to assure the functionality of reagents and proper performance of the test procedure. For this purpose, we recommend using the QuickVue iFOB Control Set (Cat. #20197).

Can the test be read after the designated read time?

The test should be read between 5-10 minutes. Do not read the test after the 10-minute read time.

What does the QuickVue iFOB Test detect?

The QuickVue iFOB Test detects human hemoglobin in stool resulting from lower GI bleeding.

What is the detection level of the QuickVue iFOB test?

50 ng hHb/mL buffer or 50 μg hHb/g feces.

What is the shelf life of both kits? How should they be stored?

The shelf life is 24 months from the date of manufacture. The kit should be stored at room temperature 59°F to 86°F (15°C to 30°C).

Are there any patient dietary restrictions associated with the QuickVue iFOB Test?

No, there are no restrictions in terms of foods to avoid when a fecal sample is taken. Alcohol and certain medications such as aspirin, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), indomethacin, reserpine, phenylbutazone and corticosteroids may cause gastrointestinal irritation and subsequent bleeding that

may be detected by this test. Consult your doctor about whether it is necessary or possible to stop taking such medications temporarily so as to increase the accuracy of the iFOB test when the fecal sample is collected.

How long can fecal samples be stored before testing?

The collected sample can be stored for up to 8 days at temperatures below 35°C (95°F), 6 months at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F) and 2 years at -20°C (-4°F).

How does this test differ from a guaiac-based test?

The QuickVue iFOB Test is an immunoassay that detects occult human hemoglobin present in stool using antibodies specific to the human hemoglobin molecule. A guaiac-based test detects peroxidase activity and is not specific for human hemoglobin. Therefore, certain foods can interfere with the results of a guaiac test and cause false positive results. The QuickVue test is not affected by the amount or type of food that is eaten.

What kit options are available?

- Cat. #20194: 20 Test kit; includes Test Cassettes and Patient Specimen Collection and Return kits.
- Cat. #20201: 50 Test kit; includes Patient Collection Tubes and Test Cassettes.
- Cat. #20205: 100 Test kit; includes Test Cassettes.
- Cat. #20196: 10 Test kit; includes Patient Specimen Collection and Return kits.
- Cat. #20204: 40 Test kit; includes Patient Specimen Collection and Return kits.
- Cat. #20197: QuickVue iFOB Control Set.

*Under Federal and State law, it is the individual provider's responsibility to determine appropriate coding, charges and claims for a particular service. Policies regarding appropriate coding and payment levels can vary greatly from payer to payer and change over time. Quidel Corporation strongly recommends that providers contact their own regional payers to determine appropriate coding and charge or payment levels prior to submitting claims.

**For state by state fee schedule go to www.cms.gov. "QW" modifier is added to report use of CLIA-Waived test system(s) for Medicare/Medicaid claims.

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