Instructions for Use: ChannelCheck™

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<td>Generic Name of Product</td>
<td>3-in-1 Residual Soil Test for Internal Channels</td>
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<td>Product Code Number(s)</td>
<td>UCC-222</td>
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<td>Range of Applications for Product</td>
<td>Any internal channel encountering protein, hemoglobin and/or carbohydrate during clinical use.</td>
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<td>Key Specifications of Product</td>
<td>Sensitivity of Reagent Pads:</td>
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<td>• Carbohydrate ≥ 25 µg/mL</td>
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<td>• Protein ≥ 30 µg/mL</td>
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<td>• Hemoglobin ≥ 0.25 µg/mL</td>
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**Shipping & Storage**

- **Shipping Conditions & Requirements**: Avoid direct sunlight.
- **Storage Conditions**
  - Bottles should be tightly capped.
  - Keep in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight.
- **Packaging Contents**
  1. 2 Bottles of 50 (each) Test Strips
  2. 2 Control Tests
  3. 2 Interpretation Guides
  4. 100 Ziplock Bags
- **Shelf Life**
  - Note the expiration date on the bottle, which is for the test strips (2 years unopened) and the expiration date on the packaging for the control soil (18 months from the manufacturing date). Do not use if either date is expired.
  - The test strips are best used by 90 days once opened and the seal on the test strip bottle has been broken. After 90 days, the pads MAY change color before use, indicating a false positive. IF THE PADS CHANGED COLOR, THEY SHOULD NOT BE USED. If the color on the pads remains unchanged, the test strips can still be used.
  - The expiration date printed on the box is the storage life of the test strips; use the earlier date of the control and the strips for the expiration date. Please note that once opened, the 90 days of use should still be prior to the EXPIRATION DATE.
  - Optional pre-filled syringes have a 2-year shelf life from date of manufacture.

**Instructions for Using Product**

**Preparation for Use**

- Testing is conducted after cleaning and prior to disinfection/sterilization.
- 10cc of commercially available pre-packaged chlorine-free water.
- **Control Test**: The first step when opening a new bottle of ChannelCheck™ residual soil test strips is to check the performance of the lot with the included vial of control soil. This is to be done once per bottle and 2 control vials (1 per bottle) are included. To test, remove the vial of dehydrated test soil from the box. The test vial holds enough lyophilized test soil to create a single milliliter of test soil.
  1. **Rehydrate Soil**: To rehydrate, unscrew the cap from the vial, then add exactly 1 mL of water to the vial. Screw the cap back on the vial ensuring a tight seal.
  2. **Shake Vigorously**: Shake the vial vigorously for at least one minute. Check the vial to make sure the soil has been completely rehydrated.
  3. **Retrieve a Single Test Strip**: Retrieve a single ChannelCheck™ test strip from the pack.
  4. **Dip Test Strip into Vial**: Dip the test into the vial for 5 seconds, making sure to completely immerse all three test pads into the solution.
  5. **Dab Side of Test Strip on Absorbent Pad**: After 5 seconds, remove the test strip and dab the side of the moistened test pad on a clean, dry absorbent pad to wick off excess water.
6. **Wait 5 Minutes**: The reagents in the test pads require time to interact with the residual soil, so wait a complete 5 minutes before reading the results.

7. **Compare Results to Control Color Chart**: After 5 minutes, compare the results to the Control Result Color Chart. The colors of each test pad should closely approximate the colors on the Control Color Chart found on the Interpretation Guide.

8. **Record Results**: On a log sheet, record the results of each pad.

### Diagrams (drawings, pictures)

![Figure 1](image1.png) ![Figure 2](image2.png) ![Figure 3](image3.png) ![Figure 4](image4.png)

![Figure 5](image5.png) ![Figure 6](image6.png) ![Figure 7](image7.png)

### Steps for Use of Product

1. **Fill Syringe with Water**: Using at least a 10 mL syringe, fill with 10 mL of commercially available pre-packaged water.

2. **Flush the Water Through Channel**: This is done by flushing the channel(s) of the instrument with 10 mL of water. This is then followed by flushing the channel with 10 mL of air. (If using pre-filled syringe with water, simply remove the cap and place the slip tip at the channel to be tested and use the plunger-rod to deliver the water to sample the channel. Refill with air to finish the sampling procedure.) (Figure 4)

3. **Recapture Water in the Ziplock Bag**: Recapture the water in a clean container, such as the supplied Ziplock Bag (see Ziplock Bag collection instructions below in the Additional Information section). (Figure 5)

4. **Dip Test Strip into Water**: Dip the test strip into the recaptured water, ensuring that all three pads are completely immersed. Keep test strip immersed for 5 seconds. (Figure 6)

5. **Dab Side of Test Strip**: Remove test strip from the water. Dab the side of the test strip on a clean, absorbent surface to wick away excess water.

6. **Wait 90 Seconds**: The reagents in the test pads require time to interact with the residual soil, so wait a complete 90 seconds before reading the results. (Figure 7)

### Interpretation of Results

1. **Compare to Color Chart**: Compare test strip to the No Residue Color Chart found on the Interpretation Guide to interpret results.

2. **Interpret Results**: If the color on any pad deviates from the No Residue Color Chart, this indicates a dirty instrument and it should be re-cleaned and re-tested until test results match the No Residue Color Chart.

### Contraindications of Test Results

- Residual peracetic acid-based disinfectants may interfere with the carbohydrate and hemoglobin pads of the ChannelCheck™.
- Oxidizing agent such as chlorine or hypochlorite may give a color change on the hemoglobin pad. In this case, the test cannot be used to detect hemoglobin residues.
- Excess residual Intercept® (brand of Cantel Medical) detergent can cause color change (false positive for protein) on the protein pad. It is advised that you ensure rinsing to remove any excess detergent prior to testing with ChannelCheck™.
- Sterile water with adhered foil lids should not be used because of the potential for a possible positive reaction with the carbohydrate pad.

**Documentation**

**Record Results:** On a log sheet, record the results of each pad.

**Special Warnings and Cautions**

- Be sure to use the color chart that comes with the ChannelCheck that is included in this package.
- ChannelCheck™ does not ensure that an item is safe for use, or free of contamination. It is to be one step in a total quality process implemented by the healthcare facility to verify the cleaning process.
- Do not swirl the strip when dipping the water. Swirling can cause color to run off the pad and change the results.
- It is important that the test strips are protected from ambient moisture, light and heat to guard against altered reagent activity and deterioration.
- It is possible some of the reagent in any one of the pads may be released when immersed in water, slightly coloring the water. This is normal and will not adversely affect the performance of the test.

**Disposal**

It is recommended to dispose of the used test strips in a suitable biohazard container.

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### Additional Information

**Quality of Water for Testing:**

1. It is recommended to use pre-packaged chlorine-free water.
2. For effective testing, care should be taken not to contaminate the water after opening to avoid creating the opportunity for false positive test results.
3. Be sure to recap the bottle after each use.
4. Sterile water with adhered foil lids should not be used because of the potential for a possible reaction with the carbohydrate pad.

**Ziplock Bag Sample Collection:**

1. Open the plastic bag by gently pushing from the side of the bag (Figure 1). This will help create a wide enough opening, so the clean plastic bag can be placed over the distal tip of the item.
2. Push the distal tip halfway down into the clean plastic bag. (Figure 2)
3. Once the tip is halfway into the clean plastic bag, seal the bag by pushing the sides together. Close the seal about ¾ of the way (up to the distal tip) and then stop. This will provide enough of a seal to capture the sample without the bag falling off during the sampling process. (Figure 3)
4. Follow the steps in Steps for Use of Product.

### Related Healthmark Products

- ATS-2015

### Other Product Support Documents

Cleaning Verification Brochure, Cleaning Verification Price List, ChannelCheck™ Specification Sheet, ChannelCheck™ Bottle Label, ChannelCheck™ Packaging Insert, ChannelCheck™ Validation Study, Instructions for Residual Soil Tests, Sample Policy with competency for ChannelCheck™, MSDS ChannelCheck™ UCC-222.
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