i-STAT®Alinity v Hospital Resource Guide







Acid-base analysis is vital to your diagnostic protocols¹

- Missed diagnoses
- Inappropriate treatment
- Delayed or poor patient response to therapy
- Increased time in hospital
- Frequent relapse
- Inability to thrive
- Patient death

Acid-bas
рН
pCO ₂
HCO₃ ⁻
Anion Gap
Base Excess
Electrolytes
TCO ₂
pO ₂

Note: A venous sample is acceptable for interpretation of acid-base parameters. For detailed information on pO₂, an arterial sample is recommended.



The i-STAT Alinity v delivers blood gas, acid-base, electrolyte, chemistry, and hematology measurements in a completely portable, handheld package. Accuracy is ensured by extensive quality checks and calibrations that occur automatically with each cartridge run. Results are obtained in as little as three minutes - making it the ideal solution for critical care situations, anesthetic monitoring, and fieldwork.

Cartridge Storage:

Refrigerate at 2 °C to 8 °C (35 °F to 46 °F).

Cartridge Stability:

Cartridges may be stored at room temperature 18-30 °C (64-86 °F), but this will decrease the shelf life. Refer to the cartridge box for room storage shelf life information. Once a cartridge has been warmed to room temperature, do not return it to the refrigerator.

Allow the cartridge to warm for 5 minutes at room temperature before removing from the pouch for analysis.

Use cartridges immediately after opening pouch.

Sample Preparation and Considerations:

- Whole blood samples without anticoagulant or whole blood collected into a lithium heparin tube may be used.
- Blood may be either venous or arterial, depending on the analytes to be measured.
- Venous samples are typically performed for acid-base, electrolyte, and hematologic studies.
- Samples for iCa should be collected in balanced heparin.
- For most accurate results, run samples immediately after collection.
 - Samples for pH, pCO₂, pO₂, TCO₂, and iCa should be tested within 10 minutes if stored anaerobically.
 - All other analytes should be tested within 30 minutes.

For additional information regarding individual cartridges and tests sample collection and handling, see Cartridge & Test Information sheets: www.pointofcare.abbott

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Acid-Base Utilization

Chemical reactions, especially those occurring in vivo, are dependent on many factors, none more important than optimal pH. Illness, whether acute or chronic, often results in pH abnormalities. Failure to recognize and address these abnormalities may result in:

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Measurement of the H⁺ ion concentration

Partial pressure of the carbon dioxide; reflects the amount of carbonic acid present

Bicarbonate, the body's major buffer

Represents the concentration of all unmeasured anions in the plasma; the difference between measured cations and measured anions $(Na^+ + K^+)$ - $(Cl^- + HCO_3^-)$; helpful in determining the cause of acid-base abnormalities.

mEq/L of strong base or acid needed to return the pH to 7.40.

Na+, K+, Cl-

Total carbon dioxide, which is primarily HCO_3^- (95%)

Partial pressure of oxygen; measurement of the tension or pressure of oxygen dissolved in blood

Acid-Base Diagnostic Chart³



	EXPE	CTED ACID-BAS	E ABNORMALITIE	S (depending on spec	ies)				
	ACIDE	MIA ⁴		ALKALEMIA⁵					
	pH < 7.35 (canin pH < 7.25			pH > 7.45 (canine and equine) pH > 7.40 (feline)					
	Metabolic a ↑ H ⁺ ≫ ↓ pH (Most com ↓ HCO ₃ ⁻ ≫ ↓ pH (rare	mon presentation)		Metabolic alkalosis ↑ HCO ₃ ⁻ or ↓ H ⁺ ≫ ↑ pH Reduced ability to uptake or exchanged					
C SIS	VOMITING/ DIARRHEA	RENAL FAILURE	DIABETIC KETOACIDOSIS	UPPER GI OBSTRUCTION	RESPIRATORY				
in as a creased sion eased n any es, ionly: nia/ diarrhea rsion	 Lactic acidosis secondary to hypovolemia +/- loss of sodium bicarbonate (NaHCO₃) Electrolyte abnormalities Anion gap often normal 	 Uremic toxins increase acid levels Loss of sodium bicarbonate (NaHCO₃) OR hydrogen ion retention (H*) Electrolyte abnormalities Lactic acidosis with anemia and/or severe dehydration 	 Ketoacids Lactic acidosis Electrolyte abnormalities High/normal anion gap, depending on severity 	 Loss of Cl⁻ in the form of HCl (hydrochloric acid) Hypochloremia is common Potential loss of free body water 	 Hyperventilation Pain latrogenic (mechanical ventilation) Decreased tissue perfusion (due to anemia, dehydration, other) Compensation for metabolic acidosis (hyperventilation) Head trauma 				
CARTRIDGE CHOICES									



severe cases

CG8+: Acid-base, pO₂, HCT, glucose, Na, K, iCa

kidney disease patients

emergencies and/or severe cases

Neoplasia screening

Disclaimer: Cartridge examples are for suggestive purposes only. Diagnostic testing choices should be based on medical history, physical examination and the patient's response to treatment.

i-STAT Alinity v Cartridge Test Menu

The i-STAT Alinity v uses a wide range of disposable, single-use cartridges that contain the necessary reagents to provide reference lab quality results, while improving efficiency throughout the animal health continuum of care.							System interval	Reference interval***					
								Units	Canine	Feline	Equine		
							Hematology	Hematocrit (Hct)	% PCV	15 - 75	35 - 57	26 - 50	25 - 44
		CHEM8+	CG4+	CG8+	G	Crea	Hematology	Hemoglobin (Hb)*	g/dL	5.1 - 25.5	12 - 19	9 - 17	8 - 15
Hematology	Hematocrit (Hct)	٠		•				Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN)	mg/dL	3 - 140	7 - 26	17 - 35	4 - 27
Hematology	Hemoglobin (Hb)*	•		•			Chemistry	Creatinine (Crea)	mg/dL	0.2 - 20.0	0.5 - 1.4	0.8 - 2	0.7 - 2
	Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN)	٠					Cnemistry	Ionized Calcium (iCa)	mmol/L	0.25 - 2.50	1.21 - 1.45	1.04 - 1.44	1.31 - 1.83
	Creatinine (Crea)	٠				•		Glucose (Glu)	mg/dL	20 - 700	81 - 118	70 - 161	71 - 111
Chemistry	Ionized Calcium (iCa)	٠		•				Chloride (Cl)	mEq/L	65 - 140	109 - 121	116 - 127	95 - 105
	Glucose (Glu)	•		•	•		Electrolytes	Sodium (Na)	mEq/L	100 - 180	141 - 150	145 - 157	132 - 139
	Chloride (Cl)	٠						Potassium (K)	mEq/L	2.0 - 9.0	3.3 - 4.9	3.4 - 4.9	2.6 - 5.8
Electrolytes	Sodium (Na)	•		•				На		6.5 - 8.2	7.32 - 7.44	7.28 - 7.46	7.37 - 7.46
	Potassium (K)	•		•				Partial Pressure of Carbon Dioxide (P CO ₂)	mmHg	5 - 130	26 - 45	25 - 42	39 - 52
	На		•	•				Bicarbonate (HCO3)*	mEq/L	1.0 - 85.0	16 - 26	15 - 24	25 - 33
	Partial Pressure of Carbon Dioxide (P CO ₂)		•	•			Acid-Base	Total Carbon Dioxide (TCO2)	mEq/L	5 - 50	16 - 26	16 - 24	25 - 33
Acid Base	Bicarbonate (HCO₃)*		•	•				Anion Gap (AnGap)*	mEq/L	(-10) - (+99)	8 - 21	8 - 20	5 - 17
ACIU Base	Total Carbon Dioxide (TCO ₂)*	٠	•	•				Base Excess (BE)*	mEq/L	(-30) - (+30)	(-9) - (+1)	(-11) - (-1)	0 - 9
	Anion Gap (AnGap)*	٠					Blood Gas	Partial Pressure of Oxygen (P O ₂)	mmHg	5 - 800	85 - 100	90 - 110	62 - 170
	Base Excess (BE)*		•	•			(arterial)"	Oxygen Saturation (sO2)*	%	0 - 100	95 - 100	95 - 100	96 - 100
Blood Gas	Partial Pressure of Oxygen (P O ₂)		•	•				Partial Pressure of Oxygen (P O2)	mmHg	5 - 800	25 - 70	27 - 51	22 - 80
	Oxygen Saturation (sO ₂)*		•	•			Blood Gas (venous)	Oxygen Saturation (sO ₂)*	%	0 - 100	49 - 100	52 - 91	49 - 100
Specialty	Lactate (Lac)		•										
	Valua Nata TCO2 is a magsured values on						Specialty	Lactate (Lac)	mmol/L	0.30 - 20.00	0.4 - 2.8	0.4 - 2.6	0.3 - 1.1

*Calculated Value. Note TCO2 is a measured values on the CHEM8+ cartridge, but is a calculated value on the CG4+and CG8+, cartidges.

*Calculated Value

i-STAT Alinity v System and Reference Interval⁶

**Arterial blood gas ranges are built into software. Venous blood gas ranges are not available in the software at this time.

Highlighted cells reflect interval for arterial samples. Equine arterial ranges developed for i-STAT Alinity v. Canine and feline arterial interval developed for i-STAT 1.

***Reference interval are for venous samples unless specified

Reference intervals are provided only as a guideline. The most definitive reference intervals are those established for your patient population and using individualized patient trends. Test results should be interpreted in conjunction with the patient's clinical signs.

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