ALCO-SCREEN 02®
Saliva test strips

PRODUCT TRAINING PROCEDURES
The information in this presentation is a general overview on using the ALCO-SCREEN 02® test strip.

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It is important to read the package insert before using the ALCO-SCREEN 02® test strip.

Screening Results: The ALCO-SCREEN 02® is used for Screening Only. The rapid test is intended for the semi-quantitation of ethyl alcohol in human saliva. Saliva alcohol content (SAC) can be used as an approximation of current blood alcohol concentration (BAC)*.

A more specific alternate chemical method must be used in order to obtain a confirmed analytical result. Please contact a Redwood Toxicology Laboratory sales representative to review confirmation test options.

Additional testing is necessary to confirm the presumptive positive results. Positive results should be “confirmed” by an alternate method such as GC/MS (Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry) or LC/MS/MS (Liquid Chromatography/Tandem Mass Spectrometry).

Professional judgment should be applied to any alcohol or drugs of abuse test result, particularly with preliminary positive results.

*See package insert references.

For in-vitro diagnostic use.
Product overview
ALCO-SCREEN 02® product overview

ALCO-SCREEN 02® screens for the presence of alcohol in saliva samples at alcohol concentrations greater than 0.02% SAC.

FEATURES & BENEFITS

• Semi-quantitative interpretations at 0.02% SAC
• Collect anywhere, anytime
• Results within minutes
ALCO-SCREEN 02® components

Lot number and expiration date are located on the front of the ALCO-SCREEN 02® test strip’s foil pouch.

The reaction pad should be a white or cream color. A test strip with a reagent pad which has a colored line or is otherwise discolored must be discarded.
Collection procedure
Collecting a saliva specimen

Prior to testing, **DO NOT** place anything in the mouth for at least 15 minutes.

This includes:

- Food
- Drink
- Tobacco products
- Any other materials

Saliva specimen can be collected in a clean container, or applied directly to the reaction pad of the test strip.

The test strip can also inserted directly into the mouth.
Testing procedure
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Bring the pouch to room temperature before opening it. Open the foil pouch and remove the ALCO-SCREEN 02® test strip.

It is important to use the test device immediately after the package has been opened.

Saturate the reactive pad by:

- Dipping the pad into the saliva specimen collected in a clean container
- Applying saliva directly to the reaction pad
- Saturate the pad directly in the mouth

After **10 seconds**, shake off the excess saliva.
Reading results
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Interpret the test results at **four (4) minutes**. Results obtained after more than five (5) minutes may be erroneous. The ALCO-SCREEN 02® produces a distinct colored line across the reactive pad in the presence of saliva greater than 0.02% BAC. A reagent pad that shows no distinct line should be interpreted as less than 0.02% BAC.

Reading the results may be made easier by placing the test on a white background.

A distinct colored line across the sample pad
Result interpretation

NEGATIVE
A reagent pad that shows no distinct line should be interpreted as less than 0.02% BAC.

PRESUMPTIVE POSITIVE*
A distinct color line will appear through the reactive pad. This indicates a BAC above 0.02%.

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Additional support services
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SENDING SPECIMENS TO THE LABORATORY » Download PDF
For instruction on how to send presumptive positive specimens to the lab, please review the next document in the training services: “Shipping & Labeling Protocol”.

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