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**PRINCIPLE**
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**SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND PREPARATION**
The urine specimen must be collected in a clean and dry container. A first morning urine specimen is preferred since it generally contains the highest concentration of FSH; however, urine specimens collected at any time of the day may be used. Urine specimens exhibiting visible precipitates should be centrifuged, filtered or allowed to settle to obtain a clear specimen for testing.

**INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS**
Two lines are visible and the color intensity of the line in the Test Line Region (T) is the same as or darker than the line in the Reference Line Region (R).

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NEGATIVE

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A negative result means that the FSH level is not elevated at this time. Record the results and see the chart below to interpret results.

INVALID

If there is no line in the Reference Line Region (R) after 3-4 minutes, the result is invalid. The test should be repeated. The test is not reusable.

The most likely reasons for an invalid result are that not enough urine specimen was used, or the test was performed the wrong way. Review the Directions for Use and repeat with a new test. If the problem persists, discontinue using the test kit and contact your distributor.

TEST INTERPRETATION

Review the results of both tests (if applicable) and interpret according to the chart below.

For patients experiencing perimenopausal symptoms plus irregular menstrual cycles:

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<td>May be in early stages of perimenopause. Patient should NOT immediately discontinue contraception.</td>
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<td>Most likely not experiencing perimenopause this cycle. If symptoms persist, repeat patient testing in the following month or review other possible causes for symptoms.</td>
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QUALITY CONTROL

A procedural control is included in the test. A colored line appearing in the Reference Line region (R) is an internal procedural control. It confirms sufficient specimen volume, adequate membrane wicking and correct procedural technique.

LIMITATIONS

1. The test works only when the test procedures are precisely followed.
2. Do not reuse the test device.
3. For professional in vitro diagnostic use only.
4. Oral contraceptive and pregnancy may affect the test and produce inaccurate results.
5. The test may not be used to determine fertility. It cannot be used to determine the ability to become pregnant. Contraception decisions should not be made based on the results of this test alone.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Accuracy

A multi-center clinical evaluation was conducted comparing results obtained using the FSH One Step Menopause Test to another commercially available urine membrane FSH test. The results of the study, which included 200 urine specimens, demonstrated 99% accuracy of the FSH One Step Menopause Test when compared to the other urine membrane FSH test.

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Positive Agreement: 100.0% (95.4%–100.0%)*
Negative Agreement: 98.4% (94.2%–99.8%)*
Overall Agreement: 99.0% (96.4%–99.9%)*

*95% Confidence Interval

Reproducibility and Precision

To demonstrate the reproducibility and precision of the FSH One Step Menopause Test when used by lay persons, 35 non-lab participants performed the test on blinded and coded panels of 5 FSH-spiked urine samples at 0 (negative), 12.5 (50% cutoff), 25 (cutoff), 37.5 (+50% cutoff), and 75 mIU/mL (strong positive) concentrations. Study participants were asked to read the package insert, perform the test and record test results. Study data showed a >99% agreement with expected results, including those samples that were at ±50% of the cutoff concentration, demonstrating the reproducibility and precision of the test.

Interfering Substances

The following potentially interfering substances were added to FSH negative and positive specimens:

- Acetaminophen 20 mg/dL
- Caffeine 20 mg/dL
- Acetylsalicylic Acid 20 mg/dL
- Gentisic Acid 20 mg/dL
- Ascorbic Acid 20 mg/dL
- Glucose 2 g/dL
- Acetoacetic Acid 2 g/dL
- Hemoglobin 500 mg/dL
- Bilirubin 100 mg/dL

None of the substances at the concentrations tested interfered in the assay.

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