

## Determination of Non-functional Plasma Enzyme (ALT) in Serum

### Method

Prepare the following:

	Tube
ALT reagent	1 ml
<b>Pre-warm at 37°C for 3 minutes and add</b>	
Sample (serum)	100 µl
<b>Mix and incubate at 37 °C for 1 minutes, then read the absorbance at 340 nm against <u>distilled water (blank)</u> every minute for 2 minutes and determine <math>\Delta A/\text{min}</math>.</b>	

Measure enzyme kinetics using UV-visible spectroscopy:

2) Applications → 2) Simple Kinetics → wave length (340 nm) → 1) Seconds → Duration (120 sec = 2 min) → Intervals (60 sec= 1 min) → Print Data Table (off) → Press start (2 times)

### Results

	Time (min)	Absorbance at 340 nm
A <sub>1</sub>	0	
A <sub>2</sub>	1	
A <sub>3</sub>	2	

### Calculations

$$\Delta A_1 = A_1 - A_2 \quad \Delta A_2 = A_2 - A_3$$

$$\Delta A/\text{min} = (\Delta A_1 + \Delta A_2) / 2$$

$$\text{ALT Activity (U/L)} = \Delta A/\text{min} \times 1768$$

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