



# **Leishmania ELISA and Lateral Flow Tests** Diagnosing Leishmania is vital for global health

Leishmaniasis currently affects around 12 million people in 88 countries, all but 16 of which are in the developing world. However, this number is expected to grow due to one of the main problems our generation is facing: climate change. In fact, it has been proven that due to this climate change, Leishmania infections are increasing and they are starting to become endemic in regions where they weren't previously.

Diagnosing asymptomatic animals in Canine Leishmania is crucial for public health, disease control, early treatment, prevention of disease progression, and surveillance purposes. It helps in reducing the burden of Leishmaniosis on both animal and human populations.



### Presenting you our protein: rKLi8.3

Gold Standard Diagnostics Madrid, in collaboration with University of Marburg, has developed a new antibody detection test employing an improved recombinant multi-epitope antigen of Leishmania infantum. This antigen constitutes a great advancement in Leishmania diagnosis.



### Why serology is the best choice for diagnosis leishmania

Parasite detection do not always correlate with an active infection. In animals, serology is the preferred method for diagnosis, even during the early stages of the disease. Several studies have correlated antibody titres with the prognosis and disease grade of an infected animal, giving more valueable information than the antigen detection itself.

DISEASE*	SIGNS	Antibody titre
<b>STAGE I</b> Mild	Papular dermatitis or localized lymphadenomegaly	Negative-Low
<b>STAGE II</b> Moderate	Cutaneous lesions, ulcerations, generalized lymphadenomegaly	Low-High
<b>STAGE III</b> Severe	Stage I, II signs + immune-complex deposition signs	Medium-High
<b>≥STAGE IV</b> Verx severe	Stage III signs + pulmonary thromboembolism, nephrotic syndrome, end stage renal disease	Medium-High

## **Our ELISA for leishmania**

At GSD Madrid, we have pioneered an advanced ELISA test utilizing the rKLi8.3 protein, leveraging its inherent advantages and further enhancing its efficacy through our unparalleled expertise in assay development.

This innovative approach capitalizes on the benefits of the recombinant protein , making our ELISA test a standout choice in the market.

This solution is specifically though for the diagnostic labs as now they can titter the leismania antibodies with a precision that was unimaginable before. This solution is suitable for all size labs as it developed in a way where the assay can be automated or preformed manually.



Product developed by:



# INgezim<sup>®</sup> Leishma CROM

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### Features of INgezim® Leishma CROM:

- **High specificity (no cross-reaction** with Trypanosoma brucei, Babesia canis, Giardia duodenalis, Dirofilaria repens, Toxocara canis, Ehrlichia canis, Ancylostoma caninum and Anaplasma).
- High sensitivity (94.2%) and specificity (98.3%) when compared to Inmunofluorescence test (IFT) and maintained in different geographical regions (Europe and Brazil).
- No cross-reaction with vaccinated animals, allowing the serological differentiation of infected and vaccinated animals.
- Easy to use and stable results under adverse conditions.
- The assay can be used with whole blood, minimizing sample processing.

#### **Ordering details**



#### Bibliography

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