

ABD Pad: The new Kid on the Block

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What is it?
What is it used for?



WHAT ARE THEY?

* ABD PAD are in vitro diagnostic medical devices (IVDMD) used by blood bankers

* ABD PAD allows the control of the ABO/Rh blood group (confirmation or pre-donation control), by determining the presence of the A, B and D erythrocyte antigens on the surface of human red blood cells.





- * principle of M-TRAP technology based on immunoblotting test, using spots.
- * red blood cells, carrying antigen, interact with corresponding antibodies red color spot.
- * red blood cells not carrying antigen, do not interact with antibodies and cross the membrane
- light green or white spot



- Devices prepared with reagents containing monoclonal antibodies come from in vitro supernatants cultures of hybridoma lines of murine or human origin.
- Reagents deposited and dried in corresponding wells. These reagents contain sodium azide (0.1%).

A, B and D specificities are indicated above the respective wells.



1. Activation of reactive zones

one drop (approximately $50\mu l$) of PAD Buffer on reactive zone (colored spot), so it turns completely green.

2. Deposit of blood sample

drop (approximately 25µl for centrifuged whole blood or 50µl for non-centrifuged whole blood) on each reactive zone.

3 Revelation of the reaction

Wait for the complete penetration of the blood into each reactive zone before the revelation.

Fill the well of PAD Buffer (300µl).

Wait for the complete penetration of the liquid before reading the results.



LIMITATION OF THE METHOD

- Qualified staff
- Reactions should be read immediately after the revelation.
- Re-reading of results is possible up to 24 hours
- Uninterpretable results (non-homogeneous reaction) can be observed if:
 - The sample tested has a significant cloudiness, fibrin traces or hemolysis
 - The sample tested is taken from another type of anticoagulant than those recommended
 - The subject has high-titer cold agglutinins







Traditionally: Slide Method used for Blood grouping



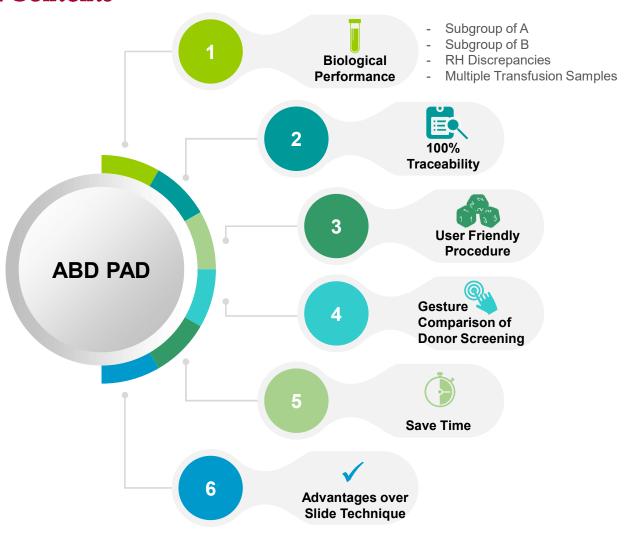
Why we need to move on from slide technique to ABDPAD?







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The ABD PAD gave a positive reaction on the same sample having a subgroup of A

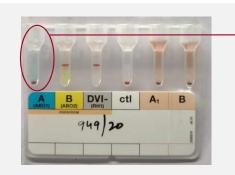


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Case n°2: subgroup of A



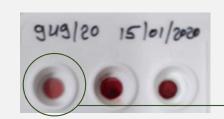
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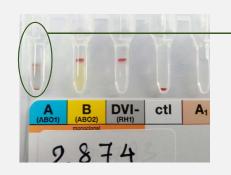


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Case n°3: subgroup of A



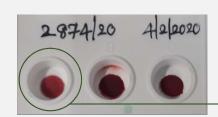
Subgroup of A **detected** on gel card



The gel card technique gave a very weak positive reaction on a sample having a subgroup of A



Subgroup of A **detected** on ABD PAD



The ABD PAD gave a positive reaction on the same sample having a subgroup of A



Detection of ABO subgroups

Case n°4: subgroup of B



Subgroup of B **detected** on gel card

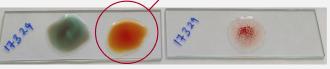


Subgroup of B **missed** on slide technique



The gel card technique gave a very weak positive reaction on a sample having a subgroup of B

The slide technique gave a negative reaction





Subgroup of B **detected** on ABD PAD



The ABD PAD gave a positive reaction on the same sample having a subgroup of B



Detection of ABO subgroups

Case n°5: subgroup of B



Subgroup of B **detected** on gel card



The gel card technique gave a weak positive reaction on a sample having a subgroup of B



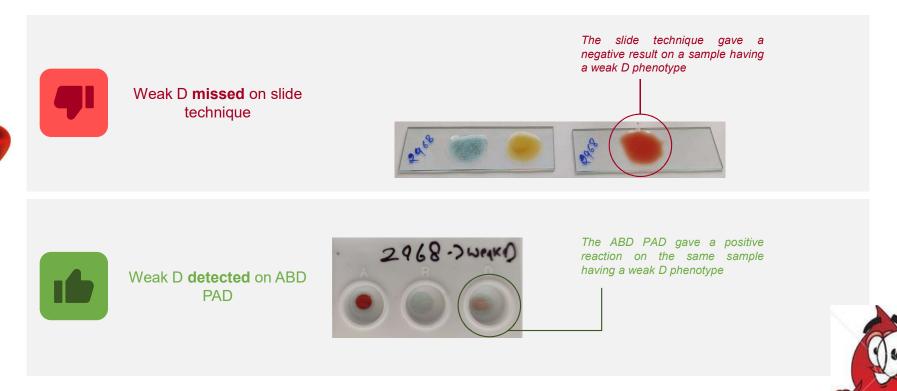
Subgroup of B **detected** on ABD PAD



The ABD PAD gave a positive reaction on the same sample having a subgroup of B



Case n°6: Weak-D



Case n°7: Weak-D



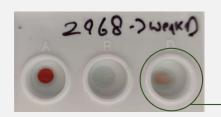
Weak D **detected** on gel card



The gel card technique gave a positive result on a sample having a weak D phenotype



Weak D **detected** on ABD PAD



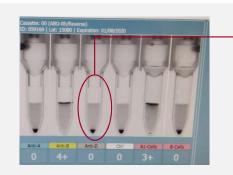
The ABD PAD gave a positive reaction on the same sample having a weak D phenotype



Case n°8 : Multiple Transfused D Antigen



D antigen **missed** on gel card



The gel card technique incorrectly typed D antigen as negative whereas the patient is D positive

Clear agglutination on tube technique





D antigen **detected** on ABD PAD and confirmed on tube technique



The ABD PAD gave a positive reaction on the same sample



2.100% Traceability

✓ With batch number, expiry & with sample Identifiers



√ Comparison in Biological Discrepancies

✓ Clerical Discrepancy

Example:

During evaluation, one donor with ID: V-663 written as AB Positive on Donor Form.

Next day on confirmation with automated techniques, its clear AB Negative.

Reactions checked on ABD PAD confirmed the result was AB negative and helped to find out clerical discrepancy by Technical Staff.

Not available in slide technique





3. User-friendly procedure

► SLIDE TECHNIQUE : 8 steps



Step 1

Identification of slides/plates



Distribution of blood samples

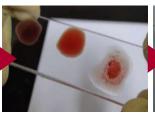


Step 3, 4, 5

Distribution of liquid reagents: anti-A, anti-B and anti-D

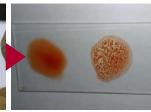


Mixing of sample and reagents



Step 7

Swaying & Bending



Step 8

Interpretation and reading results

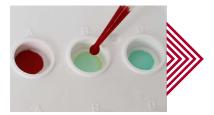
► ABD PAD : 4 steps

1. Activation



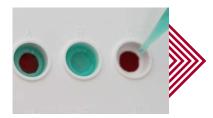
1 drop of buffer is dispensed to hydrate the antisera

2. Blood dispensing



The blood sample is added into the well

3. Revelation



The well is filled with the buffer revealing the reaction

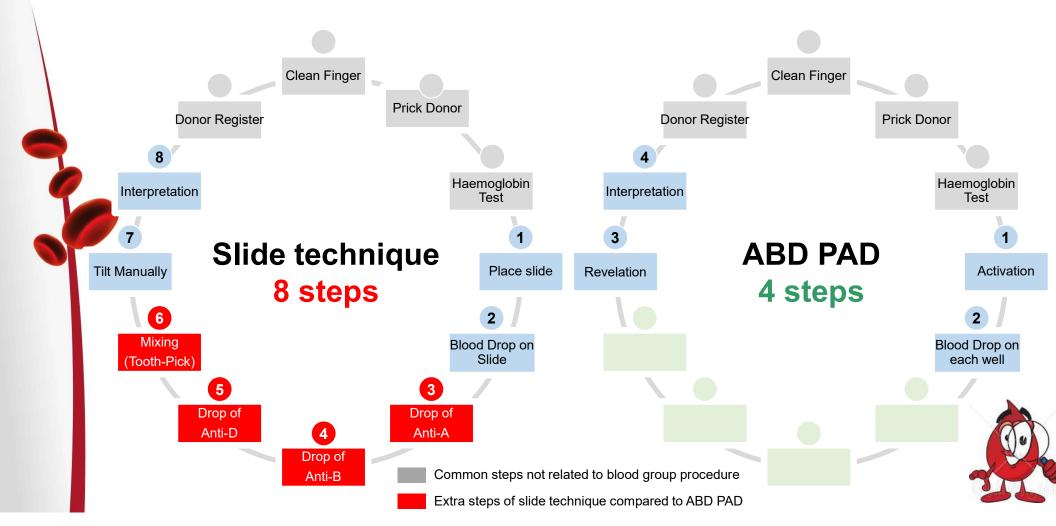
4. Result interpretation



Positive



4. Gesture Comparison of Donor Screening



5. Save Time

Comparison between ABD PAD & Slide Technique

Save up to 40% time of Technical Staff



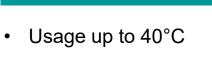


6. Advantages

Usage of all type of blood

- Blood bag segment
- Blood tube
- From finger

No washing



Storage and Usage

- Storage up to 25°C
- 90% Humidity
- Results stable up to 24H

Standardization

- No contamination
- Traceability
- Recording, photo
- Writing of results
- Less consumables









In the Blood Bank:-

- * Replaced slides with ABDPAD.
- * 90,000 blood grouping using ABDPAD till now.
- * implemented in Donor Screening, Blood Donation area and serology lab.

Donor Screening Area:-

Technicians are easily doing blood grouping specially rush hours. They are marking the patient ID on the ABDPAD which was not possible in the slides.

Blood Donation Area:-

* manage blood grouping register for record purpose. Using the ABDPAD, they can crosscheck the results anytime to reduce the clerical error.

Serology Lab:-

blood grouping is recorded for 24 hours for verification anytime.

Donor ID and Patient ID is mentioned on each blood group to avoid any mistake.





- * use this up to 40°C and 90% humidity. So it is very beneficial for donation camps.
- * don't require to carry slides, Antisera, View box, discard tub etc. We carry only ABDPAD and PAD buffer.



Innovation is the unrelenting drive to break the status quo and develop anew where few have dared to go." - Steven Jeffes

