

Anti-Sda – A case study

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Clinical Notes

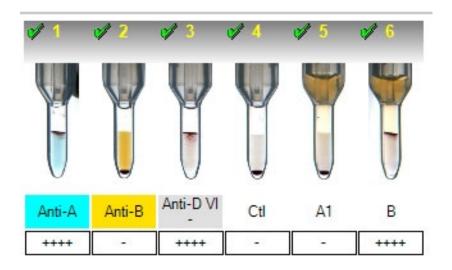
- 28 year old female

- 12 weeks pregnant

- Blood group and antibody screen requested through GP

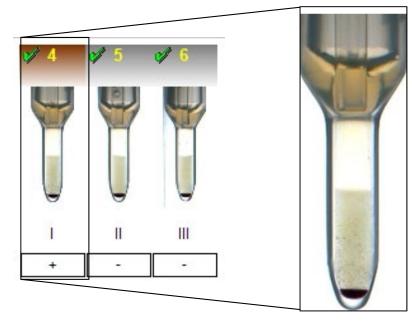


Blood Group



A Rh(D) Positive

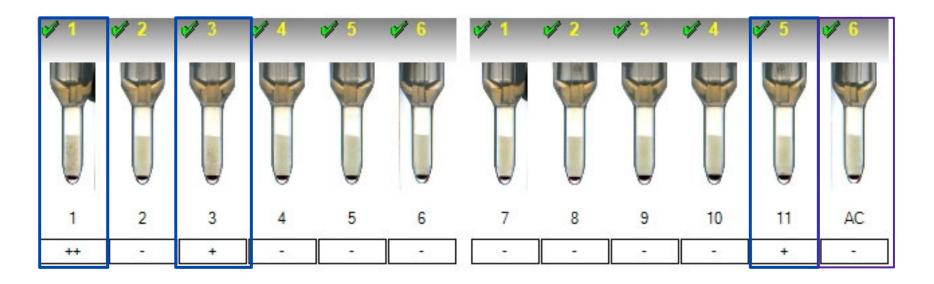
Antibody Screen



Positive



Phenocell B panel performed by Diamed Liss/Coombs CAT



- Finely granular reactions

- Negative auto control



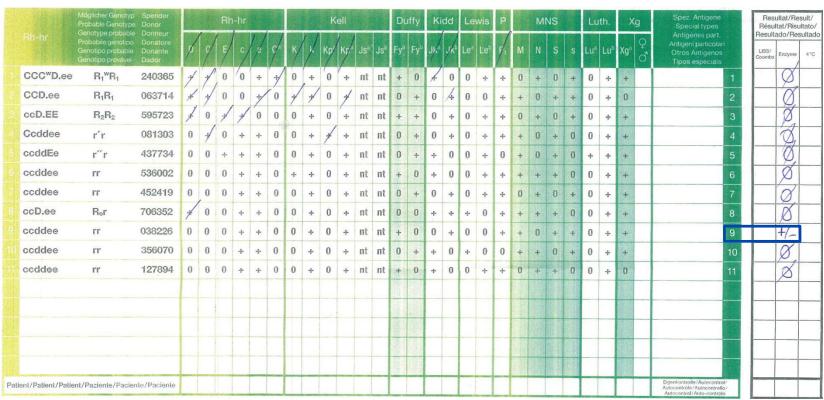
Phenocell B panel performed by Diamed Liss/Coombs CAT

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- Patient is R2r K-. Could it be anti-C? + ???



Papainised panel performed by NaCl CAT



- Finely granular reaction in one cell



No reactions seen in:

- Grifols Perfect Panel by Manual Diamed LISS/Coombs CAT
- Saline room temperature/37°C/IAT Phenocell C 3% panel
- PEG IAT panel



Red Cell Reference Laboratory Report

Clinical notes: Pregnant.

GROUP:

Rh(D): Positive

Note: Insufficient sample to perform reverse group.

PHENOTYPE: C-E+c+e+(probable R2r), K-, Fy(a+b-), Jk(a+b+), M+S+s+.

DAT:

Negative.

PLASMA:

Anti-Sda very weakly reactive (score 3) with occasional panel cells by PEG-IAT, BioRad LISS/Coombs cards and enzyme technique. The plasma reacted very strongly (score 12) with a known strong Sda+ cell showing mild mixed field reactions.

No other antibodies, including anti-C and anti-Bg/HLA antibodies, were detected by saline 22°C, PEG-IAT and BioRad LISS/Coombs cards.



Red Cell Reference Laboratory Report

Comments:

The plasma sample contains anti-Sda. Anti-Sda is an uncommon finding, we rarely encounter it in our reference work. The expression of the Sda antigen varies enormously amongst individuals but it is reported that approximately 4% of individuals are truly Sd(a-). There is an increased frequency of Sd(a-) red cell phenotype amongst pregnant women. Anti-Sda is usually an IgM antibody although some may be IgG. There are 2 reports in the literature of anti-Sda causing haemolytic transfusion reactions with transfusion of Sd(a++) red blood cells. Anti-Sda has not been reported to cause HDFN.

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Sd^a antigen

- First described in 1967 Macvie and Renton simultaneously
- Biosynthetic enzyme is β1,4-N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 2
- Classified in the 901 series of high frequency antigens
 - ISBT 901011
- Not yet a blood group system as gene has not been fully elucidated



Sd^a antigen



- Strength of expression is continuous
- At birth, newborns are Sda-
- A transient Sd^a- phenotype can be seen in pregnancy



Anti-Sda

- Mostly IgM, however IgG has also been reported
- Shows characteristic 'mixed-field reaction'
 - Small agglutinates in sea of free cells
 - Unagglutinated cells retested with anti-Sda: same mixed-field reaction noted
- Sda antigen can be found in high concentrations in saliva and urine
 - Urine can be used to neutralise anti-Sda if it is interfering with antibody investigations



Anti-Sda: In the context of pregnancy

- Clinically insignificant
- No reported cases of Haemolytic Disease of the Foetus and Newborn
- Reported cases of Haemolytic Transfusion Reactions



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