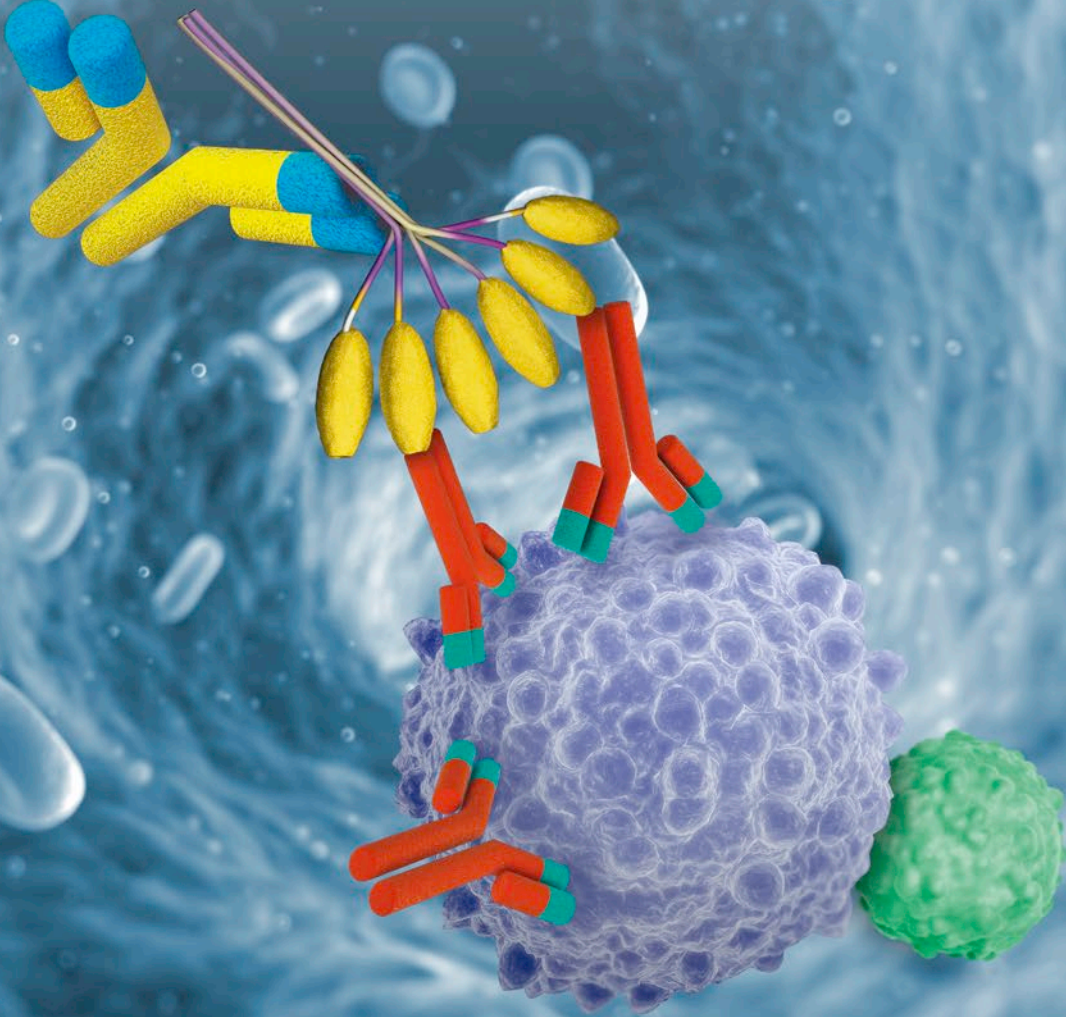


# Circulating Immune Complexes

Monitoring of Kidney Function in Inflammatory Diseases

Autoimmune DX

NEPHROLOGY



# Fast and Reliable Results

## Circulating Immune Complexes (CIC):

### Leading to complement activation

Complement is part of the innate immune system. Its major function is recognition and elimination of pathogens.<sup>1</sup> Complement activity plays also an important role in the pathogenesis of systemic autoimmune diseases.<sup>1</sup> It is activated amongst others by CIC in the blood stream. In the process of complement activation split products like C3d can be detected in patients suffering lupus nephritis<sup>2</sup> or in patients with cutaneous systemic scleroderma<sup>3,5</sup>. Patients with systemic autoimmune diseases might also develop antibodies targeting components of the complement cascades. One of the important components that is been targeted is C1q.<sup>4,5</sup> Anti-C1q autoantibodies are indicative for lupus nephritis<sup>6,7,8</sup> but can also be found in other conditions and inflammatory diseases.<sup>2,9,10</sup>

### Frequency of C1q autoantibodies found in various conditions.

Hypocomplementemic urticarial vasculitis syndrome	100 %	Polyarthritis nodosa	27 %
MTCD	94 %	Polychondritis	17 %
Felty's syndrome	76 %	Sjögren's syndrome	13 %
HCV	26–38 %	Glomerulonephritis	3–50 %
Rheumatoid vasculitis	31 %	HIV	13 %
Rheumatoid arthritis	30 %	Healthy individuals	Children 0–3 %
SLE	30–100 %	Adults	4–18 %

### HUMAN Autoimmune diagnostic assays combine technology & science

- > C1q molecules are bound to the surface of ELISA using patented technologies
- > Ensuring the preservation of epitopes for the Anti-C1q-Antibodies ELISA
- > Ensuring the biological activity for the CIC-IgG ELISA
- > Special sample dilution buffer ensures the exclusive detection C1q autoantibodies
- > Combing CIC-IgG & C3d-CIC ELISA technologies helps to distinguish between different complement activation pathways\*

### The IMTEC Product Line

#### ELISA

	Cat. No.		Cat. No.
<b>IMTEC-CIC Screen (cut-off)</b>	96 Tests ITC59030	<b>IMTEC-C3d-CIC</b>	96 Tests ITC59032
ELISA for the Detection of C1q Binding Circulating Immune Complexes (IgG/IgM)		ELISA for the Quantitative Determination of Circulating C3d-binding Immune Complexes (IgG)	
<b>IMTEC-CIC IgG</b>	96 Tests ITC59031	<b>IMTEC-Complement Activity</b>	96 Tests ITC59035
ELISA for the Quantitative Determination of C1q Binding Circulating Immune Complexes (IgG)		ELISA for the Quantitative Determination of complement activity (IgG)	
<b>IMTEC-Anti-C1q-Antibodies</b>	96 Tests ITC59033		
ELISA for the Quantitative Determination of free C1q autoantibodies, indicative for lupus nephritis (IgG)			

<sup>1</sup> Chen et al., 2009; <sup>2</sup> Manzi et al., 1996; <sup>3</sup> Senaldi et al., 1989; <sup>4</sup> Botto and Walport 2002; <sup>5</sup> Braun et al., 2007; <sup>6</sup> Sinico et al., 2005; <sup>7</sup> Moura et al., 2009; <sup>8</sup> Tan et al., 2013; <sup>9</sup> Potlukova and Kralikova 2007; <sup>10</sup> Saadoun et al., 2006

\* Classical & Alternative Complement Activation Pathway