The IDEXX SDMA® Test is more reliable than creatinine. SDMA increases earlier than creatinine in dogs and cats as kidney function decreases. And unlike creatinine, SDMA is not impacted by muscle mass.2

For questions regarding IDEXX SDMA Test results, please contact our Customer Support Team at 1-888-433-9987.

1 Follow IMM protocol

Kidney disease probable—act immediately

Follow IMM protocol

When SDMA result is ≥20 µg/dL

Perform a complete urinalysis

When SDMA result is 15–19 µg/dL†

Perform a complete urinalysis

Other evidence of kidney disease?

• Inappropriate urine specific gravity (USG) of <1.030 in a dog or <1.035 in a cat
• Active urinary sediment, particularly casts, while blood cells, or bacteria
• Proteinuria or urine protein:creatinine (UPC) ratio >0.5 in a dog or >0.4 in a cat
• History of weight loss, decreased appetite, polydipsia, polyuria
• Physical examination findings, such as palpable kidney abnormalities
• Creatinine, BUN, and/or phosphorus above reference interval
• Creatinine increasing within reference interval
• Anemia
• Other diagnostic findings (abnormal kidney imaging, unexplained hypertension)

NO Recheck in 2–4 weeks

If SDMA remains increased

SDMA can increase with both active or acute kidney injury, as well as chronic kidney disease.

Take action when SDMA* results are increased. Follow this algorithm to determine if kidney disease is probable and what steps you should take to investigate, manage, and monitor the disease.

When SDMA result is ≥20 µg/dL

YES

Perform a complete urinalysis

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*Symmetric dimethylarginine.
†SDMA reference interval for cats, kittens, and adult dogs is 0–14 µg/dL. In puppies, the SDMA reference interval is 0–16 µg/dL. Read the full report at IDEXX.com/sdmapeds.
‡To see the proof and a complete list of references, visit idexx.com/sdma.

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