

### C. Liver Disease

Such test items as guanase, ADA and LCAT are recently gathering attention in the market. Also, HCV is expected as a promising item. Ortho Diagnostic Systems has started marketing an ELISA kit for HCV in Japan. It is expected that 12 million tests will be conducted by this kit in 1990. Eiken Chemical plans to start marketing HCV diagnostics this year.

### D. Kidney Disease

Few test items are expected to be growing except for NAG and AAP.

### E. Others

Immune complex, interleukin and interferon are promising items, although these items are more or less for R & D purposes. However, the health insurance score (350) for immune complex was approved in January 1990, which will enlarge the market.