

LAB21004 Calcium, Body Fluid

BMC

Performing Location(s)

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Specimen Type

Body Fluid

Preferred Container

Red top tube

Alternate Container

Green top tube

Minimum Volume to Submit for Testing

0.5 mL Body Fluid

Storage Requirements

Specimens not delivered to laboratory within 1 hour should be refrigerated.

See Causes of Rejection for temperature requirements.

Transportation Needs

Deliver specimen to the laboratory within 1 hour of collection.

If not possible see “Storage Requirements”

Causes for Rejection

Mislabeled or unlabeled specimen

Specimen too viscous to analyze

Clotted

EDTA, citrate, or oxalate

> 2 hours at room temperature

> 4 days refrigerated

Reference Values

Fluid Type	Units	Reference Range
All populations	mg/dL	Not established

Available STAT

Yes

Methodology

Beckman AU/Dx Series

CPT Code

82310