BMC

Performing Location(s)

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Specimen Type

Serum or Plasma

Preferred Container

Gold or Red top tube

Alternate Container

Green (Heparin) top tube

Minimum Volume

0.5 mL Serum or Plasma Multiple test can be performed from this volume. For question please contact the lab at 547-3975.

Storage Requirements

Sample tubes should be centrifuged within 2 hours of collection Gold tops DO NOT ALIQUOT Aliquot Red tops See Causes of Rejection for temperature requirements.

Transportation Needs

Deliver specimen to laboratory within 1 hour of collection if unspun. If not possible see "Storage Requirements".

Causes for Rejection

Mislabeled or unlabeled specimen
Less than 50% draw for vacutainer tubes
> 3 days refrigerated
> 8 hours room temperature
> 5 days frozen
Hemolysis > 500 mg/dL HgB
Lipemia > 550 mg/dL Trig
Bilirubin > 40 mg/dL Bili
RF > 600 IU/mL

Reference Values

Adults	
Units	Reference Range

mg/dL 66-433

Available STAT

Yes

Methodology Beckman AU/Dx Series

CPT Code

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