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# **Performing Location(s)**

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# **Specimen Type**

Serum or Plasma

#### **Preferred Container**

Gold or Red top tube

#### **Alternate Container**

Green top tube

#### **Minimum Volume to Submit for Testing**

1.0 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 followed by transfer of the serum (red or gold top) to a labeled plastic, aliquot tube.

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

- > 2 days refrigerated
- > 24 hours room temperature
- > 3 months frozen

Hemolysis > 500 mg/dL HgB

Lipemia > 400 mg/dL Trig

Bilirubin > 8 mg/dL Bili

NaF

No add-ons to plasma

Frozen at  $\geq$  - 70C for 3 months

See individual tests for specific information

#### **Reference Values**

Risk Classification (NCEP III Guidelines): > 18 Adults								
Parameter	Units	Reference Value	Borderline	High Risk	Very High			
Total Cholesterol	mg/dL	<200	200 - 239	239				
Triglycerides	mg/dL	< 150	150 - 199	200 - 499	500			
HDL Cholesterol	mg/dL	≥60	40 - 59	< 40				
LDL Cholesterol	mg/dL	50-130	130 - 159	160 - 189	≥190			

Risk Classification (NCEP III Guidelines): < 18 years of age							
Parameter	Units	Reference Value	Borderline	High			
Total Cholesterol	mg/dL	120-170	170 - 199	≥ 200			
Triglycerides	mg/dL	<150					
HDL Cholesterol	mg/dL	>45					
LDL Cholesterol	mg/dL	50-110	110 - 129	≥ 130			

# **Available STAT**

No

Methodology Beckman AU/Dx Series

# **CPT Code**

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