BMC

Performing Location(s)

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Specimen Type

Serum

Preferred Container

Gold or Red top tube

Minimum Volume to Submit for Testing

2 mL Serum

Transportation Needs

Does not need to be sent from outreach sites frozen, can be sent spun and refrigerated in primary tube.

Deliver specimen to laboratory within 1 hour of collection if unspun.

If not possible see "Storage Requirements".

Storage Requirements

Sample tubes should be centrifuged within 2 hour of collection followed by transfer of the serum (red) to a labeled plastic, aliquot tube.

Gold tops do not need to be aliquoted

See Causes of Rejection for temperature requirements.

Causes for Rejection

Mislabeled or unlabeled specimen

Less than 50% draw for vacutainer tubes

- > 5 months refrigerated
- > 3 hours room temperature
- > 5 months frozen

Hemolysis > 500 mg/dL HgB

 $Lipemia > 1500 \; mg/dL \; Trig$

Bilirubin > 20 mg/dL Bili

EDTA, Heparin, NaF, Oxalate

TP < 4.2 or > 12.1 g/dL

Interpretation of Total and Free PSA Results

Probability (%) of Detecting Prostate Cancer:
Men with Non-Suspicious DRE Results
(Parentheses indicate Binomial 95% Confidence Intervals)

Total PSA Reference Range: 0.1 - 4.0 ng/mL

@Total PSA	and %Free PSA of	the %Probability of Detecting Prostate Cancer for Age		
		Group		
		50-59	60-69	70+
4.0-10.0 ng/mL	≤10%	45.3	58.0	70.3
		(33.8 - 57.3)	(46.5 - 68.9)	(53.0 - 84.1)
	11 – 19%	22.5	30.3	38.0
		(15.1 - 31.4)	(23.6 - 37.7)	(26.7 - 50.3)
	Greater than or	0.0	25.0	28.3
	equal to 20%	(N/A)	(12.7 - 41.2)	(16.0-43.5)
Prostate Cancer Prevalence (%):		30.3	37.2	42.9

Reflex Testing

If the Total Prostatic Antigen (PSA) is less than 4.0ng/mL, no further testing will be performed; only CPT 84153 will be billed.

If the Total Prostatic Antigen (PSA) is greater than 10.0ng/mL, no further testing will be performed; only CPT 84153 will be billed.

If the Total Prostatic Antigen (PSA) is greater than 4.0ng/mL and is less than 10.0ng/mL, a Free PSA will be performed and the %Free PSA will be calculated; CPT's 84153 and 84154 will be billed.

Available STAT

No

Methodology

Beckman AU/Dx Series

CPT Code

See Reflex Testing