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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

Light Green top tube (Lithium heparin)

Minimum Volume to Submit for Testing

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 > 7 days refrigerated > 24 hours room temperature Hemolysis > 250 mg/dL HgB Lipemia > 500 mg/dL Trig Bilirubin > 40 mg/dL Bili

Reference Values

Populations	Units	Reference Range	High Critical Value	Low Critical Value
All populations	mmol/L	136-145	>155	<120

Available STAT

Yes

Methodology Beckman AU/Dx Series

CPT Code

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