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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**

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 are stable in original tubes for 7 days DO NOT ALIQUOT Aliquot Red tops after centrifuging

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 > 4 days refrigerated > 24 hours room temperature > 2 months frozen Hemolysis > 500 mg/dL HgB Lipemia > 500 mg/dL Trig Bilirubin > 20 mg/dL Bili

# **Reference Values**

| Population     | Units | Reference Range |
|----------------|-------|-----------------|
| $\leq 1$ month | mg/dL | 3-10            |
| 1 month        | mg/dL | 7-25            |

# **Available STAT**

Yes

Methodology Beckman AU/Dx Series

# **CPT Code**

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