

Test Updates

December 25, 2010

Dear Colleague:

Please review the following specific test listings for important information about new assay availability and test revisions. Each upcoming change also provides an effective date to assist in the prioritization of any changes necessary to your own ordering systems. If you are not also receiving this information via email, please contact our Client Relations team at 1-800-421-4449 to be added to our electronic mailing list.

As a reminder, *Specialty* will be changing its name on January 25, 2011. Nothing changes for you from a service perspective. You may have noted that we have begun transitioning the way that we answer calls, however most of the changes will take several months to implement. According to federal regulation, we will change to the Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute name on all patient data documentation, including laboratory reports, on the effective date in January.

In 2011 we will continue our focus on providing better turnaround times for our time sensitive assays. The TAT for the Triple and Quad Marker will be changing from three to two days. In order for the decreased TAT to be evident to your clients it is imperative that the patient information be provided at the time of order since this information is critical to the finalization of the results. If the information is not provided, the TAT will be delayed while Specialty contacts you to ascertain the information. We appreciate your assistance in proactively providing the demographic requirements for these assays.

We are pleased to inform you that a number of our tests are now New York approved. Serum tests include Clonazpem [4918], Cocaine Metabolites [4118], Flurazepam (Dalmane®) [4920], Lorazepam [4087], Triazolam [4089], Temazepam [4088], Oxazepam [4934], Nordiazepam [4928], Midazolam [4085], Chlordiazepoxide [4916], Leflunomide Metabolite [4191], and Benzodiazepines Screen [4090]. In addition, Nicotine & Cotinine [4190 & 4190U respectively] performed on serum and urine are New York approved for testing.

The American Medical Association (AMA) has made CPT code changes in the 2011 edition of the AMA Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) coding manual. Specialty Laboratories will be implementing these changes effective January 1, 2011. Overall, the changes for 2011 affect the way we bill some of our tests. We have posted the chart listing the tests affected and the appropriate CPT code changes on our website for ease of reference.

We thank you for choosing *Specialty* and look forward to your continued support. For additional information, please visit our Web site at <u>www.specialtylabs.com</u> or contact Client Relations at 800-421-4449.

Respectfully Yours,

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New Tests (Specialty):

1712 Phosphatidylserine IgG Autoabs

(Available January 31)

ComponentMethodReference Range/UnitsPhosphatydilserine IgGEIA<11.0 GPS U/mL</td>

Specimen/Stability Serum 2.0 (0.6) mL: Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 2 months

Schedule Sunday, Tuesday - Saturday

Report Same day
CPT Code 86148
Regulatory Status FDA Approved

1713 Phosphatidylserine IgM Autoabs

(Available January 31)

ComponentMethodReference Range/UnitsPhosphatydilserine IqMEIA<25.0 MPS U/mL</td>

Specimen/Stability Serum 2.0 (0.6) mL: Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 2 months

Schedule Sunday, Tuesday - Saturday

Report Same day
CPT Code 86148
Regulatory Status FDA Approved

1714 Phosphatidylserine IgA Autoabs

(Available January 31)

ComponentMethodReference Range/UnitsPhosphatydilserine IqAEIA<20.0 APS U/mL</td>

Specimen/Stability Serum 2.0 (0.6) mL: Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 2 months

Schedule Sunday, Tuesday - Saturday

Report Same day
CPT Code 86148
Regulatory Status FDA Approved

4085U Midazolam, Urine

(Available January 31)

 Component
 Method
 Reference Range/Units

 Midazolam Urine
 LC-MS-MS
 <100 ng/mL</td>

Specimen/Stability Urine 6.0 (4.0) mL: Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 14 days

Collection Instructions Collect random urine in a urine collection cup. No preservative is needed. Ship refrigerated or

frozen. Specimens contaminated with blood (RBC 3+) will be rejected.

Schedule Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

Report Within 2 days CPT Code 80154

Regulatory Status Laboratory Developed Test

Always Statement Limit of quantitation:

Midazolam 100 ng/mL

4087U Lorazepam, Urine (Available January 31)

 Component
 Method
 Reference Range/Units

 Lorazepam Urine
 LC-MS-MS
 <100 ng/mL</td>

Specimen/Stability Urine 6.0 (4.0) mL: Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 14 days

Collection Instructions Collect random urine in a urine collection cup. No preservative is needed. Ship refrigerated or

frozen. Specimens contaminated with blood (RBC 3+) will be rejected.

Schedule Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday

Report Within 2 days CPT Code 80154

Regulatory Status Laboratory Developed Test Limit of quantitation:

Lorazepam 100 ng/mL

4691U Pain Management Heroin Metabolite Screen w/Confirm, Urine

(Available January 31)

ComponentMethodCut-off/UnitsHeroin MetaboliteEIANegative6 AcetylmorphineLC-MS-MS10 ng/mL

Specimen/Stability Urine 20 (7) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 30 days

Collection Instructions Collect 20 mL of random urine. Ship ambient.

Schedule Tuesday - Saturday

Report Next day
CPT Code 80101
Regulatory Status FDA Approved

Note Limit of screen quantitation: 10 ng/mL.

Confirmation testing will automatically be performed on all Positive screen results for an additional

charge (add CPT code 83925).

8947NY Borrelia burgdorferi IgG Abs w/Reflex IB + Bands [NY] (Available January 31)

ComponentMethodReference Range/UnitsB. burgdorferi IgG AbsEIA<0.80 Index</td>

Specimen/Stability Serum 2.0 (1.0): Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 2 months

Schedule Sunday, Tuesday - Saturday

Report Same day
CPT Code 86618

Regulatory Status FDA Approved

Always Statement REFERENCE RANGE for *B. burgdorferi* IgG Abs:

Less than 0.80 Index . . . Negative 0.80 - 1.19 Index Equivocal Greater than 1.19 Index . . . Positive

Note If positive, B. burgdorferi IgG immunoblot panel (New York criteria), code 7712BNY, is performed for

An additional fee (add CPT code 86617).

8948NY Borrelia burgdorferi IgM Abs w/Reflex IB + Bands [NY] (Available January 31)

ComponentMethodReference Range/UnitsB. burgdorferi IgM AbsEIA<0.80 Index</td>

Specimen/Stability Serum 2.0 (1.0): Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 2 months

Schedule Sunday, Tuesday - Saturday

Report Same day
CPT Code 86618
Regulatory Status FDA Approved

Always Statement REFERENCE RANGE for *B. burgdorferi* IgM Abs:

Less than 0.80 Index . . . Negative 0.80 - 1.19 Index Equivocal Greater than 1.19 Index . . . Positive

Note If positive, B. burgdorferi IgM immunoblot panel (New York criteria), code 7714BNY, is performed

for an additional fee (add CPT code 86617).

Clinical Utility Aid in the diagnosis of infection with the Lyme disease agent.

7712BNY Borrelia burgdorferi IgG IB + Bands [NY]

(Available January 31)

Component	Method	Reference Range
B. burgdorferi IgG Abs	IB	Negative
p18	IB	
p23	IB	
p28	IB	
p30	IB	
p39	IB	
p41	IB	
p45	IB	
p58	IB	
p66	IB	
p93	IB	

Specimen/Stability Serum 1.0 (0.5): Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 2 months

Schedule Monday - Saturday

Report Same day CPT Code 86617

Regulatory Status FDA Approved

Always Statement INTERPRETIVE CRITERIA:

POSITIVE: Lyme IqG IB is considered as POSITIVE by the New York State Dept. of Health if

any FIVE of the following bands are Present: 18, 23, 28, 30, 39, 41, 45, 58, 66 or 93 kd

INDETERMINATE: New York State Dept. of Health considers the test results as

INDETERMINATE if ONE to FOUR bands are Present.

Note Sera from individuals, with other pathogenic spirochetal diseases such as syphilis, yaws, pinta,

leptospirosis, relapsing fever and periodontal disease, may give false positive results. Individuals with connective tissue autoimmune diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis and systemic lupus erythromatosis, and individuals with anti-nuclear antibody may also give false positive results. Individuals with other bacterial and viral infections such as Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Epstein-Barr Virus, and Cytomegalovirus may also have antibodies which cross-react with *B. burgdorferi*. There are multiple criteria for interpreting Lyme immunoblots. The "New York State" criterion

provides an indeterminate interpretation in addition to a positive and negative interpretation. For interpretation of an IgG positive blot, at least 5 of 10 IgG bands (18, 23, 28, 30, 39, 41, 45, 58, 66 or 93 kDa) must be present. An indeterminate IgG blot is interpreted by the presence of 1 to 4 IgG bands (18, 23, 28, 30, 39, 41, 45, 58, 66 or 93 kDa). Positive, indeterminate and negative results

are reported.

Clinical Utility

7714BNY Borrelia burgdorferi IgM IB + Bands [NY] (Available January 31)

Component	Method	Reference Range
B. burgdorferi IgM Abs	IB	Negative
p23	IB	_
p39	IB	
p41	IB	

Specimen/Stability Serum 1.0 (0.5): Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 2 months

Schedule Monday - Saturday

Report Same day **CPT Code** 86617 Regulatory Status **FDA Approved**

Note

Clinical Utility

Always Statement INTERPRETIVE CRITERIA:

POSITIVE: Lyme IgM IB is considered as POSITIVE by the New York State Dept. of Health if

any TWO of the following bands are Present: 23, 39 or 41 kd.

INDETERMINATE: New York State Dept. of Health considers the test results as

INDETERMINATE if ONE band is Present.

NEGATIVE: No bands present.

Caution must be used in supporting a diagnosis of B. burgdorferi infection when sera are immunoblot IgM positive and immunoblot IgG negative after the initial 4 week period from onset. Because the likelihood of a false-positive test result is high for these individuals, a positive IgM test alone is not recommended for use in determining active disease in persons with illness longer than

one month duration.

Sera from individuals, with other pathogenic spirochetal diseases such as syphilis, yaws, pinta, leptospirosis, relapsing fever and periodontal disease, may give false positive results. Individuals with connective tissue autoimmune diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis and systemic lupus erythromatosis, and individuals with anti-nuclear antibody may also give false positive results.

Individuals with other bacterial and viral infections such as Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, Epstein-Barr Virus, and Cytomegalovirus may also have antibodies which cross-react with B. burgdorferi. There are multiple criteria for interpreting Lyme immunoblots. The "New York State" criterion provides an indeterminate interpretation in addition to a positive and negative interpretation. For

interpretation of an IgM positive blot, at least 2 of 3 IgM bands (23, 39 or 41 kDa) must be present. An indeterminate IgM blot is interpreted by the presence of only 1 of 3 IgM bands (23, 39 or 41 kDa).

Positive, indeterminate and negative results are reported.

New Tests (Specialty): (cont'd)

Component	Method	Reference Range
Specimen Source		
Influenza A Antigen	DFA	Not detected
Specimen/Stability Alt Specimen	Smear/Slides 4 (2): Ambient 48 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Culturette/Swab: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Fro	
Ait Specimen	M4 Transport Media/Swab: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72	hours, Frozen 7 days
	Sterile Container/Tube: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours Swab Viral Transport: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours	
	Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours	•
Collection Instructions	1. Source of specimen is required, please include on requisition	
Concention man denons	2. Specimens should be collected early in the acute phase of in is best during the first 3 days after onset and is greatly reduced	fection. The chance of viral recovery d beyond 5 days with many viruses.
	3. Submit 2 acetone-fixed slides or specimens in viral transpor	t media. These specimens are from
	respiratory sources such as nasal swab or washings.	
	4. Unacceptable specimens:	
	Wooden swabs, dry swabs and calcium alginate. 5. Specimens received more than 72 hours from time of draw in the control of th	must be frezen at 700 (not 200) or
	on dry ice. Do not freeze at -20 C. Virus loses infectivity.	must be mozem at -700 (not -200) of
	6. Ship specimens on cold pack or on dry ice.	
	7. M4 transport media (M4) and dacron-tipped swabs with plas use with M4 are provided.	stic or fine-wire shafts available for
	8. Ship specimens on cold pack or on dry ice.	
Schedule	Sunday - Saturday	
Report	Same day	
CPT Code	87276	
Regulatory Status	FDA Approved	
Always Statement	For negative influenza antigen results, cell culture should be co- identify other viruses producing similar clinical symptoms.	onsidered to confirm the results or to
Note	Tests available for other respiratory viruses are #2425 Respira #2503 Viral Culture, Respiratory.	tory Infection Evaluation, Viral and
Clinical Utility	Aid in the diagnosis of influenza A viruses which can cause high typically results in epidemics.	nly contagious respiratory diseases and

2524 Influenza Virus, Type B Detection [DFA]

(Available January 31)

Component	Method	Reference Range
Specimen Source Influenza B Antigen	DFA	Not detected
Specimen/Stability Alt Specimen	Smear/Slides 4 (2): Ambient 48 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozer Culturette/Swab: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen 7 M4 Transport Media/Swab: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Sterile Container/Tube: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated 72 hours, Frozen Viral Transport Media: Ambient 24 hours, Refrigerated Viral Transport Media: Ambient Vi	days , Frozen 7 days ozen 7 days en 7 days
Collection Instructions	 Source of specimen is required, please include on requisition. Specimens should be collected early in the acute phase of infectior is best during the first 3 days after onset and is greatly reduced beyor. Submit 2 acetone-fixed slides or specimens in viral transport medinespiratory sources such as nasal swab or washings. Unacceptable specimens: Wooden swabs, dry swabs and calcium alginate. Specimens received more than 72 hours from time of draw must be on dry ice. Do not freeze at -20 C. Virus loses infectivity. Ship specimens on cold pack or on dry ice. M4 transport media (M4) and dacron-tipped swabs with plastic or fuse with M4 are provided. Ship specimens on cold pack or on dry ice. Ship specimens on cold pack or on dry ice. 	ond 5 days with many viruses. a. These specimens are from be frozen at -70C (not -20C) or
Schedule Report CPT Code Regulatory Status	Sunday - Saturday Same day 87275 FDA Approved	
Always Statement Note	For negative influenza antigen results, cell culture should be consider identify other viruses producing similar clinical symptoms. Tests available for other respiratory viruses are #2425 Respiratory Ir #2503 Viral Culture, Respiratory.	nfection Evaluation, Viral and
Clinical Utility	Aid in the diagnosis of influenza B viruses which can cause highly con and typically results in epidemics.	ntagious respiratory diseases

Test Changes:

Antiphospholipid Syndrome EvaluatR™ 1081

Immediately Effective

Specimen/Stability #1 Plasma Citrated 2.0 (1.0) mL: Frozen 14 days

Specimen/Stability #2 Serum 2.0 (1.0) mL: Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 2 months

Note: Increased frozen serum stability.

1083 Beta-2-Glycoprotein I (Beta-2-GPI) IgG, IgM & IgA Autoabs

Immediately Effective

Specimen/Stability Serum 1.0 (0.6) mL: Ambient 14 days, Refrigerated 28 days, Frozen 2 months

Note: Increased frozen stability.

Also Affected DOS Codes 1182, 1183, 1184

ANA w/International Units & Pattern 1100

> Effective Immediately **CPT Code** 86039 (NEW)

Also Affected DOS Codes 1000, 1004, 1006, 1010, 1100C, 1118, 1121, 1122, 1126, 1127,

1726, 1862, 1866, 1868, 5906, 5908

FLT3 & NPM1 GenotypR™ 5038

> Effective **Immediately**

Specimen/Stability Whole Blood EDTA 5.0 (3.0) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 7

Whole Blood ACD 5.0 (3.0) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 7

days

Whole Blood Heparin 5.0 (3.0) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 7 davs

Bone Marrow EDTA 1.5 (0.5) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 7

davs

Bone Marrow ACD 1.5 (0.5) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 7

Bone Marrow Heparin 1.5 (0.5) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days,

Frozen 7 days

Cell Pellet: Ambient 6 months

Note: Frozen specimens now accepted.

1915 Lupus Anticoagulant: Hexagonal Phase

Effective January 1 CPT Code 85598 (NEW)

Also Affected DOS Codes 1910, 5962, 5976

Glutamic Acid Decarboxylase (GAD) Autoabs 1033

> Effective February 8 Reference Range

<1.1 U/mL (NEW) Also Affected DOS Code 1032

1325 Glomerular Filtration Rate (GFR), Estimated

> Effective February 8

Always Statement The National Kidney Foundation defines the stages of CKD based on the GFR:

> Description Stage GFR[ml/min/1.73m2] Kidney damage 1 with normal or increased GFR > = 902 Kidney damage with mildly decreased GFR 60-89 3 Moderately decreased GFR 30-59 4 Severely decreased GFR 15-29 5 Kidney failure <15(or dialysis)

Source:

National Kidney Foundation. K/DOQI Clinical Practice Guidelines for Chronic Kidney Disease: Evaluation, Classification and Stratification. Am J Kidney Dis 39:S1-S262, 2002 (suppl 1)

2. Levey AS, Stevens LA, Schmid CH, Zhang YL, et al. A new equation to estimate glomerular filtration rate. Ann Intern Med 2009; 150:604-12.

1760 Kappa/Lambda Light Chains, Free w/Ratio, Serum

Effective February 8

Component

Reference Range
Component

Reference

Always Statement Interpretation: In serum, kappa/lambda ratio of whole immunoglobulin

molecules is 2:1, whereas the kappa/lambda ratio of free light chains is 1:1.5. The latter is attributed to the occurrence of lambda light chains as dimers whose serum 1/2-life is approximately 3 times longer than that of monomeric kappa light chains. Excess production of kappa or lambda light chains alters the kappa/lambda ratio. Alterations that fall outside the normal range are attributed to the presence of monoclonal light chains. Monoclonal light chains are found in serum of patients with multiple myeloma, the light chain variant of MM, Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia, mu-heavy chain disease, primary amyloidosis, light chain deposition disease, monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance, and lymphoproliferative disease such as B-CLL. Measurement of free light chain concentration in serum is useful for diagnosis, prognosis, monitoring disease activity and following response to therapy of

these disorders.

Chronic infection and chronic inflammatory diseases, as well as renal insufficiency, may be accompanied by a diffuse increase in both kappa and lambda free chains, but kappa/lambda ratio remains within normal limits. The serum concentration of free light chains increases with age over 60 years; light chains may reach 50 mg/L in those 70-80 yrs of age; in these cases the

kappa/lambda ratio still remains within normal limits.

Physicians, who are accustomed to the identification of clonal protein by electrophoretic means, may order immunofixation in addition to free light chain immunoassay. In rare instances, immunofixation may identify monoclonal light chain protein in the absence of abnormalities in the quantitative light chain

immunoassay.

Katzman JA et al., Serum reference intervals and diagnostic ranges for free kappa and free lambda immunoglobulin light chains: Relative sensitivity for detection of monoclonal light chains. Clin Chem 2002, 48:1437-1444.

Also Affected DOS Code 1762

1821 Human Papillomavirus High Risk DetectR™

Effective February 8

Specimen/Stability Brush Qiagen (Digene) Medium 1.0 (1.0) mL: Ambient 14 days, Refrigerated 21

days, Frozen 3 months

Alt Specimen ThinPrep Vial 8.0 (4.0) mL: Ambient 3 months, Refrigerated 3 months

SurePath Vial 3.0 (2.0) mL: Ambient 30 days, Refrigerated 30 days

Tissue: Frozen 2 months

Note: AutoCyte PREP Tubes are no longer accepted. Increased ambient

and decreased refrigerated stability for SurePath Vials.

Also affected DOS Codes 1820, 1822, 1824

3244 Testosterone, Total

Effective February 8

Always Statement In hypogonadal males, Testosterone, Total, LC/MS/MS is the recommended

assay. This test code (15983) must be collected in a red-top tube with no gel. The Endocrine Society recommends obtaining at least two morning (8-10 a.m.)

samples on different days when screening for hypogonadism.

Aging Men with clinically significant hypogonadal symptoms and testosterone values repeatedly in the range of 200-300 ng/dL or less may benefit from testosterone treatment after adequate risk and benefits counseling.

Also Affected DOS Codes 2017, 2023, 2025, 3188, 3248, 3916, 3917

4882UR Chromium Random Urine

Effective February 8

Component Chromium Random Urine (ADD)

Reference Range <2.0 mcg/L

Component Chromium/Creatinine Ratio (NEW NAME)

Reference Range <5.0 mcg/g creat (same)

4900P Amikacin, Peak & Trough

Effective February 8

Specimen/Stability #1 Serum Peak 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days

Plasma Heparin Peak 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days
Plasma EDTA Peak 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days
Serum Traugh 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days

Specimen/Stability #2 Serum Trough 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days

Plasma Heparin Trough 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days Plasma EDTA Trough 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days **Note: Plasma Heparin and EDTA specimens are now accepted; ambient**

specimens are now accepted; frozen specimens are no longer accepted.

Collection Instructions Collect peak at end of 60 minute IV infusion, or 30 minutes after end of 30

minute infusion, or 60 minutes after IM dose. Collect trough immediately prior to next dose. Serum separator tubes are not acceptable. Moderate to grossly

lipemic specimens will be rejected. Transport room temperature.

Methodology Immunoassay (NEW)

Reference Range Peak: 20.0-25.0 mg/L (NEW UNITS)

Trough: 1.0-8.0 mg/L (NEW UNITS)

Always Statement Peak concentration:

20.0-25.0 mg/L^N_U(collected 30-60 min after injection)

Trough concentration:

1.0- 4.0 mg/L (for less severe infection) 4.0- 8.0 mg/L (for more severe infection)

Also Affected DOS Codes 4700P, 4700P

4900 Amikacin

Effective February 8

Specimen/Stability Serum 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days

Plasma Heparin 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days Plasma EDTA 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 7 days

Note: Plasma Heparin and EDTA specimens are now accepted; ambient specimens are now accepted; frozen specimens are no longer accepted.

Collection Instructions Collect peak at end of 60 minute IV infusion, or 30 minutes after end of 30

minute infusion, or 60 minutes after IM dose. Collect trough immediately prior to next dose. Serum separator tubes are not acceptable. Moderate to grossly

lipemic specimens will be rejected. Transport room temperature.

Methodology Immunoassay (NEW)
Always Statement Peak concentration:

20.0-25.0 mg/L^Nu(collected 30-60 min after injection) (NEW UNITS)

Trough concentration:

1.0- 4.0 mg/L (for less severe infection) (NEW UNITS) 4.0- 8.0 mg/L (for more severe infection) (NEW UNITS)

8766 Varicella-Zoster Virus Antibody (IgM)

Effective February 8

Specimen/Stability Serum 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 30 days

Note: Decreased frozen stability.

1305UR Protein, Total & Creatinine Urine Random w/Ratio

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 4 days, Refrigerated 5 days, Frozen 28 days
Note: Increased refrigerated and decreased frozen stability.

Collection Instructions 10 mL urine form a well-mixed random collection; no preservative. Transport at

room temperature.

Component Protein, Total Urine Random

Reference Range Male: 5-25 mg/dL (NEW)

Female: 5-24 mg/dL (NEW)

Component Creatinine Urine Random

Reference Range no change

Component Protein/Creatinine Ratio

Reference Range Male: 22-128 mg/g creat **(NEW)**Female: 21-161 mg/g creat **(NEW)**

1320U Creatinine 24Hr Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urine Acetic Acid 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Urine Boric Acid 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Urine Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen

28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen stability.

1320UR Creatinine Urine Random

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urine Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen

28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen stability.

1322 Creatinine Clearance

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability #1 Serum 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Plasma Haparin 1.0 (0.5) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Specimen/Stability #1 Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen urine stability.

1324U Protein, Total 24Hr Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 4 days, Refrigerated 5 days, Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased ambient, refrigerated and frozen stability.

Collection Instructions Do not include first morning specimen in 24-hour collections. Collect all

subsequent voidings. The last sample collected should be the first specimen voided the following morning at the same time as the previous morning's first voiding or at the end of the collection period. Refrigerate during collection. Do not preserve. Total volume should be indicated on the requisition if collected

overnight or during 24 hours. Transport at room temperature.

Reference Range < 150 mg/24 hr (NEW)

Also Affected DOS Codes 1584U, 1595U (Reference ranges only)

1324UR Protein, Total Urine Random

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 4 days, Refrigerated 5 days, Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased ambient and refrigerated stability.

Collection Instructions Pour a well-mixed aliquot of specimen into a clean leak-proof container.

Collect without preservative. Transport at room temperature.

Reference Range Male: 5-25 mg/dL (NEW)

Female: 5-24 mg/dL (NEW)

Also Affected DOS Codes 1580U, 1584U, 1584UR, 1595U (Reference ranges only)

1324C Protein, Total CSF

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability CSF 1.0 (0.5) mL: Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 6 months

Note: Ambient specimens are no longer accepted; increased refrigerated

and frozen stability.

Collection Instructions

Grossly hemolyzed specimens will be rejected. Transport refrigerated. < 29 Days: 15-100 mg/dL (NEW)

Reference Range < 29 Days: 15-100 mg/dL (NEW) 29 Days - 60 Year: 15- 45 mg/dL (same)

29 Days – 60 Year: 15- 45 mg/dL (same) > 60 Year: 15- 60 mg/dL (NEW)

Also Affected DOS Codes 1580C, 1584C (Reference ranges only)

1328U Protein, Total w/Creatinine 12-Hour Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 12 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 4 days, Refrigerated 5 days, Frozen 28 days

Urine Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 4 days, Refrigerated 5 days, Frozen

28 days

Note: Decreased ambient, refrigerated and frozen stability.

Collection Instructions 10 mL 12-Hour Urine

Instructions: 10 ml aliquot from a well-mixed, 12-hour urine collection, no

preservatives. Record 12-hour urine volume on test request form and urine vial.

Transport at room temperature.

3441U Microalbumin 24Hr Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 14 days, Frozen 1 year

Note: Frozen specimens now accepted; increased ambient stability.

Submit 10 mL aliquot from a well-mixed 24-hour urine, submitted in a plastic,

Collection Instructions

Submit 10 mL aliquot from a well-mixed 24-hour urine, submitted in a plastic, leakproof container. Do not use preservatives. Record 24-hour urine volume on

test request form and urine container. Transport at room temperature.

Methodology Turbidimetric (New)

Component Microalbumin, 24 Hour Urine (ADD)

Reference Range < 30 mg/24 hr (NEW)

Component Microalbumin, 24 Hour Urine (NEW NAME)

Reference Range < 20 mcg/min (NEW)

Component Microalbumin Urine, ug/mL (REMOVE)

Component Creatinine Urine (no change)

3441UR Microalbumin Urine Random

Effective February 15

Name Microalbumin, Random Urine (w/Creatinine) (NEW)

Specimen/Stability Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urine Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen

28 days

Note: Frozen specimens now accepted; increased ambient and

decreased refrigerated stability.

Collection Instructions 10 mL aliquot from unpreserved urine, random submitted in a plastic leak-proof

container. Transport at room temperature.

Methodology Turbidimetric (New)
Component Microalbumin Urine

Reference Range (REMOVE)

Component Microalbumin/Creatinine Ratio
Reference Range < 30 mcg/mg (NEW UNITS)
Component Creatinine Urine (no change)

4332U Oxalate 24Hr Urine

Effective February 15

Name Oxalic Acid, 24-Hour Urine (NEW)

Specimen/Stability Urine Preserved (6N HCl) 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 6 days, Refrigerated 7

days, Frozen 4 months

Note: Increased frozen stability; decreased ambient stability.

Collection Instructions Patient should refrain from taking excessive amounts of Ascorbic Acid or

Oxalate-rich foods (i.e., spinach, coffee, tea, chocolate, rhubarb) for at least 48 hours before the collection period. Collect urine with 25 mL 6N HCl to maintain a pH below 3. Specify 24 hr urine volume on the requisition. Transport

at room temperature.

Reference Range 3.6-38.0 mg/24 hr (NEW)

Also Affected DOS Code 4168 (Reference ranges only)

4332UR Oxalate Urine Random

Effective February 15

Name Oxalic Acid, Random Urine (NEW)

Specimen/Stability Urine Preserved (6N HCl) 10 (2) mL: Ambient 6 days, Refrigerated 7 days,

Frozen 4 montns

Urine Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 13 days, Refrigerated 13 days, Frozen

28 days

Note: Increased frozen stability; decreased ambient stability.

Collection Instructions Patient should refrain from taking excessive amounts of Ascorbic Acid or

Oxalate-rich foods (i.e., spinach, coffee, tea, chocolate, rhubarb) for at least 48 hours before the collection period. Collect urine with 25 mL 6N HCl to

maintain a pH below 3. Transport at room temperature.

4333U Uric Acid 24Hr Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 13 days, Refrigerated 13 days, Frozen 28

days

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 13 days, Refrigerated 13 days,

Frozen 28 days

Note: Increased ambient stability; decreased refrigerated and frozen

stability.

Collection Instructions Do not acidify the urine. Please aliquot for uric acid testing prior to addition of

any acid for those tests requiring preservative.

Do not include first morning specimen; collect all subsequent voidings. The last sample collected should be the first morning specimen voided the following morning at the same time as the previous morning's first voiding. Specify total volume and duration of collection on container and test requisition. Transport at

room temperature.

Reference Range Male: 120-820 mg/24 hr (NEW)

Female: 65-630 mg/24 hr **(NEW)**Also Affected DOS Code 4168 (Reference ranges only)

4333UR Uric Acid Urine Random

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 13 days, Refrigerated 13 days, Frozen 28 days

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 13 days, Refrigerated 13 days,

Frozen 28 days

Note: Increased ambient stability; decreased refrigerated and frozen

stability

Collection Instructions 10 mL urine aliquot from a random urine collection. No preservatives.

Instructions: Collect urine without preservative. Do not acidify the specimen. Transport at room temperature is preferred; transport refrigerated (cold packs)

or frozen is acceptable.

Always Statement Reference ranges are not available for random collections.

4836U Calcium 24Hr Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine Preserved (6N HCl) 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 5

weeks, Frozen 6 months

Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 5 weeks, Frozen 6

months

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 5 weeks,

Frozen 6 months

Note: Increased refrigerated and frozen stability; decreased ambient

stability.

Collection Instructions 24 hour urine: Do not include first morning specimen in 24-hour collection.

Collect all subsequent voidings. The last sample collected should be the first specimen voided the following morning at the same time as the previous morning's first voiding. Collect urine with 25 mL of 6N HCL to maintain a pH below 2. It is acceptable to add presentative after collection if write is

below 3. It is acceptable to add preservative after collection if urine is refrigerated during collection. Adjust pH to <3. Record the total volume of urine

on the requisition. Transport at room temperature.

Methodology Spectrophotometry (NEW)

Reference Range Male: 55-300 mg/24 hr (NEW) Female: 35-250 mg/24 hr (NEW)

Always Statement Low Calcium Diet:

Males: 55-200 mg/24 hr Females: 35-200 mg/24 hr

Also Affected DOS Code 4168 (Reference ranges only)

4836UR Calcium Urine Random

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine Preserved (6N HCl) 10 (2) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 5 weeks,

Frozen 6 months

Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 5 weeks, Frozen 6 months Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 5 days, Refrigerated 5 weeks,

Frozen 6 months

Note: Increased refrigerated and frozen stability; decreased ambient

stability.

Collection Instructions Collect 10 mL random urine in a plastic, screw-capped container and adjust pH

to < 3.0 with 6N HCl (Minimum: 2 mL). Aliquot urine specimens and send at

room temperature to the laboratory.

Methodology Spectrophotometry (NEW)

Always Statement Reference ranges are not available for random collections.

4866U Magnesium 24Hr Urine

Effective February 15

Reference Range 24-255 mg/24 hr (NEW)

Also Affected DOS Codes 4168

5304U Chloride with Creatinine, 24-Hour Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urine Acetic Acid 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Urine Boric Acid 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days,

Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen stability.

5304UR Chloride with Creatinine, Random Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days,

Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen stability.

5307U Sodium with Creatinine, 24-Hour Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urine Acetic Acid 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Urine Boric Acid 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days,

Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen stability.

5307UR Sodium with Creatinine, Random Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days,

Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen stability.

5308U Phosphorus 24Hr Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine Preserved (6N HCl) 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 6 months, Refrigerated 6

months, Frozen 6 months

Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 48 hours, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 6 months, Refrigerated 6 months,

Frozen 6 months

Note: Increased ambient, refrigerated and frozen stability if preserved.

Collection Instructions Collect urine with 25 mL of 6N HCL to maintain a pH below 3. Do not include

first morning specimen; collect all subsequent voidings. The last sample collected should be the first morning specimen voided the following morning at the same time as the previous morning's first voiding. Specify 24-hour total volume on container and test requisition. Transport at room temperature.

Reference Range Male: 360-1600 mg/24 hr (NEW)

Female: 170-1200 mg/24 hr (NEW)

Also Affected DOS Code 4168 (Reference ranges only)

5308UR Phosphorus Urine Random

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine Preserved (6N HCl) 10 (2) mL: Ambient 6 months, Refrigerated 6 months,

Frozen 6 months

Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 48 hours, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 6 months, Refrigerated 6 months,

Frozen 6 months

Note: Increased ambient, refrigerated and frozen stability if preserved.

Collection Instructions Random urine: 10 mL random urine, adjust pH to < 3.0 with 6N HCL before

aliquoting for phosphate testing. Transport at room temperature.

Unpreserved urine: Keep urine refrigerated during and after collection and send

frozen.

Transport at room temperature.

Always Statement Reference ranges are not available for random collections.

5312U Potassium with Creatinine, 24-Hour Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 24 hour 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days

Urine Acetic Acid 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

days

Urine Boric Acid 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28

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Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days,

Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen stability.

5312UR Potassium with Creatinine, Random Urine

Effective February 15

Specimen/Stability Urine 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 28 days Urinalysis Transport Tube 10 (2) mL: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days,

Frozen 28 days

Note: Decreased refrigerated and frozen stability.

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New Referral Tests:

The following tests are now available from Quest Diagnostics and may be referred through Specialty Laboratories.

S52249N-METANEPHRINES (RANDOM) (14961X) (NY)

Test performed at Quest Diagnostics, San Juan Capistrano

S52251N-VANILLYLMADELIC ACID, RANDOM URINE [1710][NY]

Test performed at Quest Diagnostics, San Juan Capistrano

S52268-FISH, DUPLICATION 22Q11.2 [16672X]

Test performed at Quest Diagnostics, San Juan Capistrano

S52308-B-CELL GENE REARRANGEMENT, QUANT. PCR, CELL-BASED [16005X]

Test performed at Quest Diagnostics, San Juan Capistrano

S52309-VON WILLEBRAND FACTOR COLLAGEN BINDING ASSAY [10924X]

Test performed at Quest Diagnostics, San Juan Capistrano

S52312-CAH PANEL 6B (COMPREHENSIVE SCREEN) [10299X]

Test performed at Quest Diagnostics, San Juan Capistrano

S52314-MUMPS VIRUS RNA, QUAL R-T PCR [49930]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52315-CHLAMYDIA TRACHOMATIS/PSITTACI CULTURE [81025]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52316-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY, AFB, IMIPENEM [51200]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52317-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY - DORIPENEM [51330]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52318-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY - CARBENICILLIN [51330]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52319-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY - GENTAMICIN [51330]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52320-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY - CEFAZOLIN [51330]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52321-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY - CEFEPIME [51330]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52322-SHIGELLA SEROTYPING [52185]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52323-MYCOPLASMA PNEUMONIAE ANTIBODY, CF (SERUM) [40730]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52324-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPT. AFB, MOXIFLOXACIN [51200]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

New Referral Tests: (cont'd)

S52325-ANTIMICROBIAL SUCEPTIBILITY, AFB, TIGECYCLINE [51200]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52326-CHIKUNGUNYA VIRUS RNA, QUAL RT-PCR [45606]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52328-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY - CEPHALEXIN [51330]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52329-TOXOPLASMA GONDII IGG AVIDITY (AVIDX(TM)), ELISA [40927]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52330-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSC, AEROBIC BACTERIA, CUSTOM MIC (2) [51340]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52332-ANTIMICROBIAL LEVEL, RIFABUTIN, HPLC [51949]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52333-CYTOMEGALOVIRUS (CMV) DNA, QUANT RT PCR [45050]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52334-TOXOPLASMA GONDII DNA, QUANT RT PCR [45600]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52335-CHIKUNGUNYA ANTIBODIES WITH REFLEX(ES) TO TITER [40680]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52336-TREPONEMA PALLIDUM DNA, QUAL RT PCR [47020]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52337-MAG ANTIBODY, DUAL ELISA (SERUM) [21004][NY]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52338-ANTIFUNGAL SUSCEPT., MOLD, CUSTOM (2) MIC PANEL [53620]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52340-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSC, AEROBIC BACTERIA, CUSTOM MIC (3) [51350]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52341-ANTIMICROBIAL SUSC, AEROBIC BACTERIA, CUSTOM MIC (4) [51360]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52342-CHLAMYDIA GROUP ANTIBODY SCREEN, IFA (SERUM) [40265]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52343-BORRELIA BURGDORFERI IGG & IGM AB PANEL, IFA SER [40677]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52344-BARTONELLA ANTIBODY PANEL, IFA (CSF) [6020]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52345-ASPERGILLUS ANTIBODY PANEL, CF AND ID (SERUM) [2305]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

New Referral Tests: (cont'd)

S52346-HISTOPLASMA ANTIBODY PANEL CF, ID AND ELISA [4490]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

S52347-INFLUENZA A VIRUS H1/H3 SUBTYPING BY REAL-TIME RT-PCR[42690]

Test performed at Focus Diagnostics

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Discontinued Tests:

Effective Immediately:

S48545-Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobin Profile [95864]

Recommended replacement: S52351-PNH WITH FLAER [16433] Test performed at Quest Diagnostics, San Juan Capistrano

S52042-CD55 and CD59 Expression, Red Cells & Gran. [19835X]

Recommended replacement: S52351-PNH with FLAER [16433] Test performed at Quest Diagnostics, San Juan Capistrano

S51445-Prazepam (39776R)

No replacement

Effective January 15:

4984 - Hemoglobin Variant Screen w/Reflex Electrophoresis

Recommended replacement: 4983 – Hemoglobinopathy Evaluation Test performed at Specialty Laboratories

Effective January 25:

5382 – Cytochrome P450 2C19 (Clopidogrel) GenotypR™

Recommended replacement: S52048 - AccuType™CP, Clopidgrel CYP2C19 Genotype [16924] Test performed at Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, San Juan Capistrano

Effective January 31

S48335-MIDAZOLAM URINE [3057U]

Recommended replacement: 4085U Midazolam, Urine Test performed at Specialty Laboratories

S49504-LORAZEPAM URINE [2535]

Rcommended replacement: 4087U Lorazepam, Urine Test performed at Specialty Laboratories