

Reporting Title: Cholesterol, BF
Performing Location: Rochester

Ordering Guidance:

This test provides a measurement of cholesterol in body fluids, which is useful for screening of a cholesterol effusion or cholesterol-rich pseudochylous effusion. To distinguish between chylous and nonchylous effusions, order BFLA1 / Lipid Analysis, Body Fluid; which measures cholesterol and triglyceride concentrations, as well as chylomicrons and plasma lipoproteins.

Necessary Information:

- 1. Date and time of collection are required.
- 2. Specimen source is required.

Specimen Requirements:

Preferred Source:

- Peritoneal fluid (peritoneal, abdominal, ascites, paracentesis)
- Pleural fluid (pleural, chest, thoracentesis)
- Drain fluid (drainage, JP drain)
- Pericardial fluid

Acceptable Source: Write in source name with source location (if appropriate)

Collection Container/Tube: Sterile container

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Collection Instructions:

- 1. Centrifuge to remove any cellular material and transfer into a plastic vial.
- 2. Indicate the specimen source and source location on label.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Body Fluid	Frozen (preferred)	30 days	
	Refrigerated	7 days	
	Ambient	24 hours	

Ask at Order Entry (AOE) Questions:

Test ID	Question ID	Description	Type	Reportable
CHLBF	FLD25	Fluid Type:	Plain Text	Yes

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
FLD25	Fluid Type:	Alphanumeric		14725-6
BFCHL	Cholesterol (BF)	Numeric	mg/dL	12183-0

LOINC® and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

Supplemental Report:

No

CPT Code Information:

84311-Spectrophotometry, analyte not specified (cholesterol)

Reference Values:

An interpretive report will be provided