

Reporting Title: Nitrogen, Total, F

Performing Location: Rochester

Shipping Instructions:

Send **entire stool collection** (must contain at least 5 g of feces) frozen on dry ice in Mayo Clinic Laboratories-approved container.

Necessary Information:

Length of collection period is required.

Specimen Requirements:

**Patient Preparation:** Laxatives and enemas should not be used during collection as barium and boric acid interfere with test procedure.

**Supplies:** Stool Containers - 24, 48, 72 Hour Kit (T291)

**Container/Tube:** Stool container; complies with shipping requirements, do not use other containers.

**Specimen Volume:** Entire collection (24, 48, 72, or 96 hours)

**Collection Instructions:**

- All containers must be sent together.
- Entire collection must contain at least 5 g of feces.
- The number of containers sent should be indicated on the labels (ie, 1 of 4)

**Specimen Stability Information:** Frozen 3 years

**Additional Information:** Patient can store sample at refrigerate temperature during collection period.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Fecal	Frozen (preferred)		
	Ambient	7 days	
	Refrigerated	7 days	

Ask at Order Entry (AOE) Questions:

Test ID	Question ID	Description	Type	Reportable
NITF	DUR9	Collection Duration	Plain Text	Yes

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
DUR9	Collection Duration	Alphanumeric		13363-7
17416	Total Weight	Alphanumeric		30078-0
17417	Nitrogen, Total, F	Alphanumeric	g/24 h	16141-4

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Supplemental Report:

No

CPT Code Information:  
84999

Reference Values:  
<16 years: Not established  
> or =16 years: 1-2 g/24 hours