

# **Test Definition: AIVC**

Aldosterone, Inferior Vena Cava, Serum

Reporting Title: Aldosterone, IVC Performing Location: Rochester

## **Specimen Requirements:**

**Patient Preparation:** Spironolactone (Aldactone) should be discontinued for 4 to 6 weeks before testing. The plasma renin activity cannot be interpreted if the patient is being treated with spironolactone.

**Collection Container/Tube:** 

**Preferred:** Red top **Acceptable:** Serum gel

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

**Specimen Volume:** 1.8 mL **Collection Instructions:** 

- 1. See Renin-Aldosterone Studies for detailed instructions.
- 2. The recommended collection time is 8 a.m., after the patient is active for approximately 2 hours. Try to collect the specimen as close to that time as possible and no later than 10 a.m.
- 3. Centrifuge and aliquot serum into a plastic vial.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Serum	Refrigerated (preferred)	28 days	
	Frozen	30 days	
	Ambient	4 days	

#### **Result Codes:**

Result ID	Reporting Name	Туре	Unit	LOINC®
6503	Aldosterone, IVC	Numeric	ng/dL	1763-2

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### **Supplemental Report:**

No

### **CPT Code Information:**

82088

### **Reference Values:**

No established reference values.