

# **Test Definition: HCO3**

Bicarbonate, Serum

**Reporting Title:** Bicarbonate, S **Performing Location:** Rochester

**Necessary Information:** 

Patient's age and sex are required.

## **Specimen Requirements:**

**Collection Container/Tube:** 

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

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

**Specimen Volume:** 0.5 mL **Collection Instructions:** 

- 1. Serum gel tube must be centrifuged within 2 hours of collection.
- 2. Red-top tube must be centrifuged, and the serum aliquoted into a plastic vial within 2 hours of collection.

#### Forms:

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a Renal Diagnostics Test Request (T830) with the specimen.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Serum	Refrigerated	24 hours	

#### **Result Codes:**

Result ID	Reporting Name	Туре	Unit	LOINC®
HCO3	Bicarbonate, S	Numeric	mmol/L	1963-8

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

### **Supplemental Report:**

No

### **CPT Code Information:**

82374

#### **Reference Values:**

Males

12-24 months: 17-25 mmol/L

3 years: 18-26 mmol/L 4-5 years: 19-27 mmol/L 6-7 years: 20-28 mmol/L 8-17 years: 21-29 mmol/L > or =18 years: 22-29 mmol/L

**Females** 

1-3 years: 18-25 mmol/L



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4-5 years: 19-26 mmol/L 6-7 years: 20-27 mmol/L 8-9 years: 21-28 mmol/L > or =10 years: 22-29 mmol/L

Reference values have not been established for patients that are <12 months of age.