

Reporting Title: AlphaSubunit Pituitary Tumor Marker

Performing Location: Rochester

Ordering Guidance:

This test should not be ordered on pregnant patients.

Specimen Requirements:

Collection Container/Tube:

Preferred: Serum gel

Acceptable: Red top

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Collection Instructions: Centrifuge and aliquot serum into a plastic vial

Forms:

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send an [Oncology Test Request](#) (T729) with the specimen.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Serum	Frozen (preferred)	90 days	
	Refrigerated	7 days	

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
9003	AlphaSubunit Pituitary Tumor Marker	Numeric	ng/mL	14170-5

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

Supplemental Report:

No

CPT Code Information:

82397

Reference Values:

PEDIATRIC

< or =5 days: < or =50 ng/mL

6 days-12 weeks: < or =10 ng/mL

3 months-17 years: < or =1.2 ng/mL

Tanner II-IV*: < or =1.2 ng/mL

ADULTS

Males: < or =0.5 ng/mL

Premenopausal females: < or =1.2 ng/mL

Postmenopausal females: < or =1.8 ng/mL

Pediatric and adult reference values based on Mayo studies.

*Puberty onset (transition from Tanner stage I to Tanner stage II) occurs for boys at a median age of 11.5 (+/-2) years and for girls at a median age of 10.5 (+/-2) years. There is evidence that it may occur up to 1 year earlier in obese girls and in African American girls. For boys, there is no proven relationship between puberty onset and body weight or ethnic origin. Progression through Tanner stages is variable. Tanner stage V (adult) should be reached by age 18.