



Test Definition: FC4AL

C4 Level by RIA

Overview

Method Name

Radioimmunoassay (RIA)

NY State Available

Yes

Specimen

Specimen Type

Plasma EDTA

Specimen Required

Supplies: Sarstedt Aliquot Tube, 5 mL (T914)

Container/Tube: Lavender top (plasma gel tubes are **not acceptable**)

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 1.5 mL Plasma

Collection Instructions:

1. Mix well.
2. Within 30 minutes of collection centrifuge at 1600 (+/-200) x *g* (rcf) at 4 degrees C for 15 minutes.
3. Aliquot 1.5 mL of plasma into a plastic vial.
4. Freeze plasma immediately at -20 degrees C for up to 4 weeks or, ideally, at -60 degrees C or below for up to 1 year.
5. Send frozen.

Specimen Minimum Volume

Plasma: 0.5 mL

Reject Due To

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| Gross hemolysis | Reject |
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Specimen Stability Information

| Specimen Type | Temperature | Time | Special Container |
|---------------|-------------|----------|-------------------|
| Plasma EDTA | Frozen | 365 days | |

Clinical & Interpretive

Clinical Information

Refer to www.nationaljewish.org/for-professionals/diagnostic-testing/advanced-diagnostic-laboratories/search-for-tests

Reference Values

0-2830 ng/mL

Interpretation

Elevated C4a levels are indicative of classical and/or lectin pathway activation.

Performance**PDF Report**

No

Day(s) Performed

Monday through Friday

Report Available

9 to 14 days

Performing Laboratory Location

National Jewish Health

Fees & Codes**Fees**

- Authorized users can sign in to [Test Prices](#) for detailed fee information.
- Clients without access to Test Prices can contact [Customer Service](#) 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Prospective clients should contact their account representative. For assistance, contact [Customer Service](#).

Test Classification

The performance characteristics for this test have been validated by National Jewish Health. It has not been cleared or approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The results are not intended to be used as the sole means for clinical diagnosis or patient management decisions. This laboratory is certified under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA-88) as qualified to perform high complexity clinical laboratory testing.

CPT Code Information

86160

LOINC® Information

| Test ID | Test Order Name | Order LOINC® Value |
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| Result ID | Test Result Name | Result LOINC® Value |
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