

**Reporting Title:** Valproic Acid, Tot, S**Performing Location:** Rochester**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 tubes should be centrifuged within 2 hours of collection.
2. Red-top tubes should be centrifuged and serum aliquoted into a plastic vial within 2 hours of collection.

**Specimen Minimum Volume:**

0.25 mL

**Forms:**

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send 1 of the following forms with the specimen:

-Neurology Specialty Testing Client Test Request (T732)

-Therapeutics Test Request (T831)

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Serum	Refrigerated (preferred)	14 days	
	Frozen	28 days	
	Ambient	72 hours	

**Result Codes:**

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
VALPA	Valproic Acid, Tot, S	Numeric	mcg/mL	4086-5

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

**Supplemental Report:**

No

**CPT Code Information:**

80164

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**Reference Values:**

Therapeutic: 50 (trough)-125 (peak) mcg/mL

Critical value: > or =151 mcg/mL