

Reporting Title: Intrinsic Factor Blocking Ab, S**Performing Location:** Rochester**Ordering Guidance:**

For a comprehensive workup of patients with suspected pernicious anemia, order ACASM / Pernicious Anemia Cascade, Serum, which initiates testing with measurement of vitamin B12. Depending of the vitamin B12 concentration, testing for intrinsic factor blocking antibody, gastrin, and methylmalonic acid may be added.

Specimen Requirements:

Patient Preparation:

1. Patient should be fasting for 8 hours.
2. This test should not be performed on patients who have received a vitamin B12 injection or radiolabeled vitamin B12 injection within the previous 2 weeks.

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.

Specimen Minimum Volume:

0.5 mL

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Serum	Refrigerated (preferred)	14 days	
	Frozen	14 days	

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
IFBLA	Intrinsic Factor Blocking Ab, S	Alphanumeric		31444-3
CMT31	Comment	Alphanumeric		48767-8

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

Supplemental Report:

No

CPT Code Information:

86340

Reference Values:

Negative