

Overview

Method Name

High Performance Liquid Chromatography/Tandem Mass Spectrometry (LC/MS/MS)

NY State Available

Yes

Specimen

Specimen Type

Plasma EDTA

Specimen Required

Must submit one specimen per order. Specimens cannot be shared between multiple orders.

Specimen Type: Plasma

Collection Container/Tube: Lavender top or pink top (EDTA)

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Collection Instructions:

1. Draw blood in an EDTA (lavender top or pink top) tube(s). **Plasma gel tube is not acceptable.**
2. Centrifuge and send 1 mL of plasma refrigerated in a preservative-free plastic vial.

Specimen Minimum Volume

0.5 mL

Reject Due To

Other	Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST)
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Specimen Stability Information

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Plasma EDTA	Refrigerated (preferred)	30 days	
	Ambient	30 days	
	Frozen	120 days	

Clinical & Interpretive

Reference Values

Reporting limit determined each analysis.

For using Acyclovir:
Usual therapeutic range (vs. Genital Herpes) during chronic oral daily divided dosages of 1200 - 2400 mg:
Peak: 0.40 - 2.0 mcg/mL plasma
Trough: 0.14 - 1.2 mcg/mL plasma

For using Valacyclovir as a metabolite:
Mean steady-state (+/- 1 SD) peak plasma levels following a 500 mg twice daily regimen of Valacyclovir:
2.0-4.0 mcg Acyclovir/mL

Performance

PDF Report

No

Day(s) Performed

Monday - Sunday

Report Available

9 to 11 days

Specimen Retention Time

2 weeks

Performing Laboratory Location

NMS Labs

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

This test was developed and its performance characteristics determined by NMS Labs. It has not been cleared or approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

CPT Code Information

80299

LOINC® Information

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC® Value
FACYS	Acyclovir, Plasma	9416-9

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC® Value
Z3531	Acyclovir	Not Provided