

# **Test Definition: FMERC**

Mercaptopurine (6-MP, Purinethol)

# **Overview**

#### **Method Name**

High Performance Liquid Chromatography with Ultraviolet Detection (HPLC-UV)

#### **NY State Available**

Yes

# **Specimen**

# Specimen Type

Varies

# **Specimen Required**

Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

#### Plasma

Draw blood in a green-top (sodium heparin) tube(s), **plasma gel tube is not acceptable.** Spin down and send 2 mL sodium heparin plasma refrigerated in a plastic vial.

#### Serum

Draw blood in a plain, red-top tube(s), **serum gel tube is not acceptable.** Spin down and send 2 mL of serum refrigerated in a plastic vial.

# **Specimen Minimum Volume**

0.3 mL

## **Reject Due To**

Hemolysis	NA NA
Lipemia	NA
Icterus	NA NA
Other	NA NA

# **Specimen Stability Information**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Varies	Refrigerated (preferred)	7 days	
	Ambient	72 hours	
	Frozen	180 days	



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## **Clinical & Interpretive**

## **Reference Values**

Units: ng/mL

Mercaptopurine may be administered as an antineoplastic or may be present as a metabolite of the immunosuppressant drug azathioprine. Therapeutic and toxic ranges have not been established. Usual therapeutic doses of either mercaptopurine or azathioprine produce 6-mercaptopurine serum concentrations of less than 1000 ng/mL.

#### **Performance**

#### **PDF Report**

No

#### Day(s) Performed

Monday through Sunday

#### Report Available

5 to 9 days

#### **Specimen Retention Time**

2 weeks

## **Performing Laboratory Location**

Medtox Laboratories, Inc.

#### Fees & Codes

#### **Fees**

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

#### **CPT Code Information**

80299

# **LOINC®** Information

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC® Value
FMERC	Mercaptopurine (6-MP, Purinethol)	11242-5



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Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC® Value
Z1190	6-Mercaptopurine	11242-5