

FILE DEFINITION TEST CHANGE

NOTIFICATION DATE: 01/27/2015 EFFECTIVE DATE: 03/03/2015

VANILLYLMANDELIC ACID (VMA) AND HOMOVANILLIC ACID (HVA), RANDOM, URINE

Test ID: VH

EXPLANATION: Effective 03/03/2015, the age restriction of <15 years will be removed from the specimen requirements. The reference values, test name, specimen volume, and result code reporting names will also be updated.

CURRENT REPORTING NAME	NEW REPORTING NAME
VMA and HVA, Pediatric, U	VMA and HVA, Random, U

CURRENT PUBLISHED NAME	NEW PUBLISHED NAME
Vanillylmandelic Acid (VMA) and	Vanillylmandelic Acid (VMA) and Homovanillic Acid
Homovanillic Acid (HVA), Pediatric, Urine	(HVA), Random, Urine

CURRENT SPECIMEN REQUIRED

This collection is performed only on children <15 years of age.

Container/Tube: Plastic, 10-mL urine tube

(Supply T068)

Specimen Volume: 10 mL **Collection Instructions:**

- 1. Collect a random urine specimen.
- 2. Adjust urine pH to 1 to 5 with 50% acetic or HCl acid.

Additional Information:

- 1. Patient's age is required.
- 2. Administration of L-dopa may falsely increase homovanillic acid and vanillylmandelic acid results; it should be discontinued 24 hours prior to and during collection of specimen.

NEW SPECIMEN REQUIRED

Container/Tube: Plastic, 10-mL urine tube (Supply T0

Specimen Volume: 5 mL **Collection Instructions:**

- 1. Collect a random urine specimen.
- 2. Adjust urine pH to 1 to 5 with 50% acetic or HCl acid

Additional Information: 1. Patient's age is required.

2. Administration of L-dopa may falsely increase homovanillic acid and vanillylmandelic acid results; it should be discontinued 24 hours prior to and during collection of specimen.

CURRENT RESULT CODES	
Result ID	Reporting Name
2143	Child VMA
2144	Child HVA

NEW RESULT CODES	
Result ID	Reporting Name
2143	Vanillylmandelic Acid, VH
2144	Homovanillic Acid, VH

CURRENT REFERENCE VALUE

<u>VMA</u>

<1 year: <27.0 mg/g creatinine</p>
1 year: <18.0 mg/g creatinine</p>
2-4 years: <13.0 mg/g creatinine</p>
5-9 years: <8.5 mg/g creatinine</p>
10-14 years: <7.0 mg/g creatinine</p>
> or =15 years (adults): not applicable

HVA

<1 year: <35 mg/g creatinine</p>
1 year: <23 mg/g creatinine</p>
2-4 years: <13.5 mg/g creatinine</p>
5-9 years: <9 mg/g creatinine</p>
10-14 years: <12 mg/g creatinine</p>
> or =15 years (adults): not applicable

NEW REFERENCE VALUE

VMA

<1 year: <25.0 mg/g creatinine</p>
1 year: <22.5 mg/g creatinine</p>
2-4 years: <16.0 mg/g creatinine</p>
5-9 years: <12.0 mg/g creatinine</p>
10-14 years: <8.0 mg/g creatinine

> or =15 years (adults): <7.0 mg/g creatinine

HVA

<1 year: <35.0 mg/g creatinine 1 year: <30.0 mg/g creatinine 2-4 years: <25.0 mg/g creatinine 5-9 years: <15.0 mg/g creatinine 10-14 years: <9.0 mg/g creatinine > or =15 years: <8.0 mg/g creatinine