

**NEW TEST****NOTIFICATION DATE:** July 24, 2018**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Immediately**PROTEIN ELECTROPHORESIS AND ISOTYPE, SERUM**

Test ID: SPISO

**USEFUL FOR:** Diagnosis of monoclonal gammopathies, when used in conjunction with locally performed serum free light chain studies (performed at client site)

**PROFILE INFORMATION:**

Test ID	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
TPE	Total Protein	Yes (Order TP)	Yes
SPE	Protein Electrophoresis	No	Yes
MPTS	M-protein Isotype MALDI-TOF MS, S	No	Yes

**REFLEX TESTS:**

Test ID	Reporting Name	Available Separately	Always Performed
IMFX	Immunofixation	Yes (Order IMFXO)	No

**TESTING ALGORITHM:**

This test includes total protein, serum protein electrophoresis, and heavy and light chain typing (kappa and lambda).

If a light chain is identified without a corresponding heavy chain during initial testing, immunofixation with IgD and IgE antisera will be performed at an additional charge.

**METHOD:**

TPE: Biuret

SPE: Agarose Gel Electrophoresis

MPTS: Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption/Ionization-Time of Flight Mass Spectrometry (MALDI-TOF MS)

**REFERENCE VALUES:****TOTAL PROTEIN**

&gt; or =1 year: 6.3-7.9 g/dL

Reference values have not been established for patients that are &lt;12 months of age.

**PROTEIN ELECTROPHORESIS**

Albumin: 3.4-4.7 g/dL

Alpha-1-globulin: 0.1-0.3 g/dL

Alpha-2-globulin: 0.6-1.0 g/dL

Beta-globulin: 0.7-1.2 g/dL

Gamma-globulin: 0.6-1.6 g/dL

An interpretive comment is provided with the report.

Reference values have not been established for patients that are &lt;16 years of age.

**M-PROTEIN ISOTYPE MALDI-TOF MS, S**

No monoclonal protein detected

**SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:****Patient Preparation:** Fasting (12 hour) preferred but not required

**Container/Tube:****Preferred:** Serum gel**Acceptable:** Red top**Specimen Volume:** 1 mL**Minimum Volume:** 0.6mL**SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:**

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

**CAUTIONS:**

Very large IgG M-spikes (>4 g/dL) may saturate the protein stain. In these situations, quantitative IgG assays (IGG / Immunoglobulin G [IgG], Serum) should be performed to accurately determine M-spike concentrations to monitor disease progression or response to therapy.

Fibrinogen will migrate as a distinct band in the beta-gamma fraction. Serum specimens from new patients with a beta-gamma band are to be treated with thrombin to ensure complete conversion of fibrinogen.

Hemolysis may augment the beta fraction.

Penicillin may split the albumin band.

Radiographic agents may produce an uninterpretable pattern.

**CPT CODE:**

84155

84165

84999

86334 (if appropriate)

**DAY(S) SET UP:** Monday through Saturday; 2 p.m.**ANALYTIC TIME:** Same day/1 day

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or  
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