

Activated Protein C Resistance V, with Reflex to Factor V Leiden, Blood and Plasma

Test ID: APCRR

Explanation: On the effective date, updates will be made to the **whole blood specimen** requirements and stability, <u>no changes</u> are being made to the plasma specimen requirements.

Current Specimen Required			
Both blood and plasma are required.			
Specimen Type:	Whole blood		
Preferred:	Yellow top (ACD)		
Acceptable:	Lavender top (EDTA) or light-blue top (3.2% sodium citrate)		
Specimen Volume:	Full tube		
Collection Instructions:	 Invert several times to mix blood. Send specimen in original tube. 		

New Specimen Required			
Both blood and plasma are required.			
Specimen Type:	Whole blood		
Preferred:	Lavender top (EDTA)		
Acceptable:	Yellow top (ACD) or light-blue top (3.2 % sodium citrate)		
Specimen Volume:	3 mL		
Collection Instructions:	 Invert several times to mix blood. Send specimen in original tube. Do not aliquot. 		
There are no changes to plasma specimen requirements			

Current Specimen Stability				
Specimen	Temperature	Time		
Plasma Na Cit	Frozen	14 days		
Whole blood	Ambient (preferred)	7 days		
	Frozen	14 days		
	Refrigerated	14 days		

New Specimen Stability				
Specimen	Temperature	Time		
Plasma Na Cit	Frozen	14 days		
Whole blood	Ambient (preferred)	14 days		
	Frozen	14 days		
	Refrigerated	14 days		

Questions

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