

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
Other	NA

Specimen Stability Information

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



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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