

Notification Date: December 9, 2022 Effective Date: Immediately

# Malabsorption Evaluation Panel, Feces

Test ID: MALP

**Explanation:** Effective immediately, the patient preparation section will no longer be required.

## **Current Specimen Required**

## **Patient Preparation:**

- **1. No** barium enemas may be used for 48 hours prior to collection.
- 2. For 72 hours prior to collection:
- -Do **not** use laxatives, including mineral oil and castor oil
- -Do **not** eat synthetic fat substitutes such as Olestra.
- -Do **not** take fat-blocking nutritional supplements **Supplies**:
- -Malabsorption Panel Kit (T920)
- -Infectious Container, Wide Mouth (T429)
- -2 Stool containers, Small (Random), 4 oz (T288)

Container/Tube: Stool container

Specimen Volume: 18 g split between 2 containers, each containing half of the specimen Collection Instructions:

- 1. Collect a fresh, random fecal specimen, no preservative.
- 2. Split specimen between 2 small containers, each containing half of the specimen.
- 3. Label one small container with the A1AF and UREDF sample collection labels. Label the other small container with the CALPR, ELASF sample collection label.
- 4. Freeze immediately

#### **Additional Information:**

- 1. Specimen must be split prior to transport.
- 2. Testing cannot be added to a previously collected specimen.
- 3. Specimen cannot be collected from a diaper.

## **New Specimen Required**

### Supplies:

- -Malabsorption Panel Kit (T920)
- -Infectious Container, Wide Mouth (T429)
- -Stool container, Small (Random), 4 oz (T288), order 2

**Container/Tube:** Malabsorption kit or 2 small stool containers

**Specimen Volume:** 18 g split between 2 containers, each containing half of the specimen **Collection Instructions:** 

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- 2. Split specimen between 2 small containers, each containing half of the specimen.
- 3. Label one small container with the A1AF and UREDF sample collection labels. Label the other small container with the CALPR, ELASF sample collection label.
- 4. Freeze immediately

#### Additional Information:

- 1. Specimen must be split prior to transport.
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- 3. Specimen cannot be collected from a diaper.

## Questions

Contact Amy Ennis, Laboratory Resource Coordinator at 800-533-1710.