

## D-Lactate, Plasma

**Test ID:** DLAC

**Explanation:** On the effective date, the following test changes will be made to the D-Lactate, Plasma (DLAC) assay.

Current Method
Enzymatic

New Method
Gas Chromatography-Mass Spectrometry (GCMS) Stable Isotope Dilution Analysis

Current Specimen Required
<b>Collection Container/Tube:</b> Sodium Fluoride/Potassium Oxalate Tube, 2mL (T275)
<b>Submission Container/Tube:</b> Plastic vial
<b>Collection Instructions:</b> Centrifuge, aliquot plasma into plastic vial, and freeze immediately.

New Specimen Required
<b>Collection Container/Tube:</b> <b>Preferred:</b> Sodium Fluoride/Potassium Oxalate Tube, 2mL (T275) <b>Acceptable:</b> Green top (sodium heparin)
<b>Submission Container/Tube:</b> Plastic vial
<b>Collection Instructions:</b> Centrifuge, aliquot plasma into plastic vial, and freeze immediately. NOTE: If collecting in sodium heparin tubes, centrifugation must occur within one hour.

Current Requested Volume
<b>Specimen Volume:</b> 1 mL
<b>Specimen Minimum Volume:</b> 0.55 mL

New Requested Volume
<b>Specimen Volume:</b> 0.50 mL
<b>Specimen Minimum Volume:</b> 0.15 mL

Current Specimen Stability		
Specimen	Temperature	Time
Plasma NaFl-KOx	Frozen (preferred)	365 days
	Ambient	7 days
	Refrigerated	7 days

New Specimen Stability		
Specimen	Temperature	Time
Plasma NaFl-KOx	Frozen (preferred)	91 days
	Ambient	91 days
	Refrigerated	91 days

<b>Current Days Performed</b>
Wednesday, Friday

<b>New Days Performed</b>
Monday, Thursday

<b>Current Report Available</b>
4 to 8 days

<b>New Report Available</b>
3 to 6 days

### **Questions**

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