

Notification Date: September 18, 2023 Effective Date: October 17, 2023

Neuronal Ceroid Lipofuscinosis, Two-Enzyme Panel, Leukocytes

Test ID: NCLW

Useful for:

Supporting the biochemical diagnosis of two neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis, CLN1 and CLN2 in whole blood specimens.

This is **not useful for** carrier detection.

Ordering Guidance:

This blood test is an appropriate first step for individuals between 0 and 4 years of age who present with symptoms consistent with neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis.

Methods:

Liquid Chromatography Tandem Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS/MS)

Reference Values:

Palmitoyl-protein thioesterase 1: >10.0 nmol/h/mg protein

Tripeptidyl peptidase 1: >20.0 nmol/h/mg protein

An interpretative report will be provided.

Specimen Requirements:

Preferred: Yellow top (ACD solution B)

Acceptable: Yellow top (ACD solution A) or lavender top (EDTA)

Specimen Volume: 6 mL

Collection Instructions: Send whole blood specimen in original tube. Do not aliquot.

Minimum Volume: 5 mL

Specimen Stability Information:

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Whole Blood ACD	Refrigerated (preferred)	6 days
	Ambient	6 days

Cautions:

Deficiency of tripeptidyl peptidase 1 (TPP1) can also be indicative of autosomal recessive spinocerebellar ataxia-7.

Individuals with pseudodeficiency alleles can show reduced enzyme activity.

Carrier status (heterozygosity) for these conditions cannot be reliably detected.

Enzyme levels may be normal in individuals receiving enzyme replacement therapy or who have undergone hematopoietic stem cell transplant.

CPT Code:

82657

Day(s) Performed:

Report Available:

Preanalytical processing: Monday through Saturday

Testing performed: Tuesday

8 to 15 days

Questions

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