

Notification Date: January 25, 2024 Effective Date: February 27, 2024

# Succinylacetone, Blood Spot

Test ID: SUAC

**Explanation:** On the effective date, the Reference Values and Specimen Stability will be updated.

#### **Current Reference Value**

SUCCINYLACETONE <1.6 nmol/mL

TYROSINE

<4 weeks: 40.0-280.0 nmol/mL > or =4 weeks: 25.0-150.0 nmol/mL

#### **New Reference Value**

SUCCINYLACETONE ≤1.0 nmol/mL

**TYROSINE** 

<4 weeks: 40-280 nmol/mL > or =4 weeks: 25-150 nmol/mL

#### **Current Specimen Stability**

Preferred:

Specimen Type: Blood spot

**Supplies:** Card-Blood Spot Collection (Filter Paper)

(T493)

Preferred: Blood Spot Collection Card

**Acceptable:** Whatman Protein Saver 903 Paper, PerkinElmer 226 filter paper, Munktell filter paper, or blood collected in tubes containing EDTA and dried on filter paper.

Specimen Volume: 2 Blood spots

**Collection Instructions:** 

- 1. An alternative blood collection option for a patient older than 1 year of age is a fingerstick. See <a href="How to Collect Dried Blood Spot Samples">How to Collect Dried Blood Spot Samples</a> via fingerstick.
- 3. Let blood dry on filter paper at room temperature in a horizontal position for a minimum of 3hours.
- 4. Do not expose specimen to heat or direct sunlight.
- 5. Do not stack wet specimens.
- 6. Keep specimen dry.

## **Specimen Stability Information:**

Ambient (preferred) 21 days/Refrigerated 10 days/Frozen 10 days

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## **Specimen Stability Information:**

Ambient (preferred) 7 days/Refrigerated 14 days/Frozen 90 days

Acceptable:

**Specimen Type:** Whole blood

Container/Tube: Lavender top (EDTA)

Specimen Volume: 2 mL

**Collection Instructions:** Send whole blood specimen in original tube. **Do not aliquot. Specimen Stability Information:** Refrigerate

(preferred) 3 days/Ambient 2 days

Acceptable:

**Specimen Type:** Whole blood

Container/Tube: Lavender top (EDTA)

Specimen Volume: 2 mL

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

Specimen Stability Information: Refrigerate 6

days

## **Questions**

Contact Melissa Tricker-Klar, Laboratory Resource Coordinator at 800-533-1710.