

## Neurotensin

**Explanation:** The following new orderable, referred to Inter Science Institute, will be available Tuesday, October 8, 2024.

**Test ID:** FNEU2

**Method:**

Radioimmunoassay (RIA)

**Reference Values:**

50-100 pg/mL

**Specimen Requirements:**

**Patient Preparation:**

1. Patient should be fasting 10-12 hours prior to collection of specimen.
2. Patient should not be on any antacid medication or medications that affect gastroentero-intestinal function, if possible, for at least 48 hours prior to collection.

**Specimen Type:** Plasma

**Container/Tube:** Z tube (MCL T701)

**Specimen Volume:** 3 mL

- Collection Instructions:**
1. Collect 10 mL of blood directly into special Z-tube and separate as soon as possible.
  2. Freeze immediately after separation.
  3. Send 3 mL of plasma frozen

**Minimum Volume:** 1 mL

**Specimen Stability Information:**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Z-Tube Plasma	Frozen	180 days

**Fee:**  
\$230.00

**CPT Code:**  
83519

**Day(s) Setup:** Monday, Thursday

**Report Available:** 12 to 16 days

**Questions:**

Contact MCL Referrals Supervisor Amy Bluhm at 800-533-1710.