

Acceptable Tube Types



Acetaminophen

Alternate Name:	Datril®
Performing Lab:	New Hanover and Cape Fear
Specimen Container:	Green (lithium heparin) tube or Red top tube
Minimum Volume Required:	1.0 mL
Testing Availability	Routine: 24 hours/day Stat: Yes
Turnaround Time:	Routine: 4 hours Stat: < 1 hour
Special Handling:	Specimen should not be drawn earlier than 4 hours after ingestion
Patient Preparation:	None
Specimen Stability:	Room temperature: 5 days Refrigerated: 10 days
Reference Range:	10 – 30 ug/mL
Critical Value:	> 200 ug/mL
CPT Code:	82003
Testing Methodology:	Enzymatic, Colorimetric
Causes for Specimen Rejection:	Improper labeling
Other Comments:	
Clinical Significance:	Acetaminophen is an analgesic/anti-inflammatory agent that may be hepatotoxic when ingested in quantities exceeding 150 mg/kg.