

TEST CHANGE

LDL Cholesterol, Direct

0020257, LDL D

Specimen Requirements:

Patient Preparation:

Collect: Plasma separator tube or serum separator tube. Also

acceptable: Green (lithium heparin), Lavender (K2 EDTA or

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K3EDTAK3 EDTA), or pPink (K2 EDTA).

Specimen Preparation: Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature.

Separate serum or plasma from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of

collection. Transfer 1 mL serum or plasma to an ARUP standard transport tube. Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5

mL)

Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions:

Remarks:

Stability: After separation from cells: Ambient: <u>24</u>8 hours; Refrigerated: 7

days; Frozen: 12 months

Methodology: Quantitative Detergent Solubilization/ Enzymatic Assay

Performed: Sun-Sat

Reported: Within 24 hours

Note:

CPT Codes: 83721

New York DOH Approval Status: This test is New York DOH approved.

Interpretive Data:

CHD Risk Factors:

+1 Age: Men, 45 years and older

+1 Age: Women, 55 years and older or premature menopause without estrogen therapy

- +1 Family history of premature CHD
- +1 Current smoking
- +1 Hypertension
- +1 Diabetes mellitus
- +1 Low HDL ccholesterol: 39 mg/dL or less
- -1 High HDL ccholesterol: 60 mg/dL or greater



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LDL Cholesterol: Therapeutic goal

99 mg/dL or less if CHD is present (Optional: 69 mg/dL or less).

129 mg/dL or less if no CHD and two or more risk factors.

159 mg/dL or less if no CHD. (Circulation 2004; 110:227-39)

Reference Interval:

Age	Desirable	Borderline	Higher Risk
0-19 years	109 mg/dL or less	110-129 mg/dL	130 mg/dL or greater
20 years and older	129 mg/dL or less (99 mg/dL or less if patient has CHD)		160 mg/dL or greater