

HOTLINE: Effective May 20, 2019

0020462 Zinc, Urine ZINC U

Performed: Sun-Sat **Reported:** 1-5 days

Specimen Required: Patient Prep: Diet, medication, and nutritional supplements may introduce interfering substances. Patients should be encouraged to

discontinue nutritional supplements, vitamins, minerals, and non-essential over-the-counter medications (upon the advice of their physician). Collection from patients receiving iodinated or gadolinium-based contrast media must be avoided for a minimum of 72 hours post-exposure. Collection from patients with impaired kidney function should be avoided for a minimum of 14 days post

contrast media exposure.

Collect: 24 Hour Urine. Refrigerate during collection. Specimen must be collected in a plastic container. Also acceptable: Random

Urine

Specimen Preparation: Transfer an 8 mL aliquot from a well-mixed collection to ARUP Trace Element-Free Transport Tubes (ARUP supply #43116) available online through eSupply using ARUP ConnectTM or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787. (Min:

1 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated. Also acceptable: Room temperature or frozen.

Remarks: Record total volume and collection time interval on transport tube and on test request form.

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Specimens collected within 72 hours after administration of <u>iodinated</u> or <u>gadolinium-based</u> contrast media. Acid preserved urine. Specimens transported in containers other than specified. Specimen contaminated with blood or fecal <u>material</u>.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 1 week; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 year

Note: High concentrations of iodine or gadolinium may interfere with elemental testing.