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Citric Acid, Urine

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**Specimen Required:** Collect: 24-hour urine. Refrigerate during collection. Also acceptable: Random urine.

Specimen Preparation: **Adjust pH to less than or equal to 2 by adding 6M HCl.** Transfer a 4 mL aliquot of urine to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL) Record total volume, collection time interval, and pH on transport tube and test request form. Also acceptable: Specimens previously preserved with boric acid.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 8 hours; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 month