

TEST CHANGE

Antibiotic Level, Piperacillin

0060842, ML PIP

Specimen Requirements:

Patient Preparation:

Collect: Plain red.

Specimen Preparation: Aseptically remove 2 mL serum to a sterile tube (ARUP supply #43115) and freeze. Available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect(TM) or contact ARUP Client Services at (800-) 522-2787. (Min: 1 mL)

Transport Temperature: Frozen.

Unacceptable Conditions: SST or Plasma.

Remarks: Required information includes: time and date of collection, time of last dose, and list of all antibiotics that the patient is receiving or has received in the past 48 hours.

Stability: Ambient: 2 hours; Refrigerated: 24 hours; Frozen: 1 week

Methodology: Quantitative Bioassay

Performed: Sun-Sat

Reported: 2-3 days

Note: Please include time of last dose, and list of all antibiotics that the patient is receiving or has received in the past 48 hours. This information is important for laboratory handling and essential for subsequent physician interpretation of results.

CPT Codes: 80299

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

Interpretive Data:

Normal peak serum concentration for piperacillin is 389-484 ug#g/mL with a 4 g IV dose of piperacillin, 209 ug#g/mL with a 3.375 g IV dose of piperacillin/tazobactam, or 224 ug#g/mL with a 4.5 g IV dose of piperacillin/tazobactam. Trough serum concentration is not well established.

For bioassay measurements, the presence of other antimicrobial agents may interfere with the assay. Other factors that may influence antimicrobial levels include inherent differences among patients and their underlying physical conditions as well as the dose and route of administration of

the antimicrobial agent.

Reference Interval:
