

## HOTLINE: Effective February 22, 2022

## 0070033 Adrenocorticotropic Hormone Stimulation, 60 Minutes

CORTISOL60

Methodology: Quantitative Electrochemiluminescence Immunoassay

Specimen Required: <u>Patient Prep:</u> Collect 1 timed specimen at 60 minutes.

<u>Collect</u>: Serum separator tube (SST) or Plain Red, green (lithium heparin), Lavender (K<sub>2</sub> EDTA and K<sub>3</sub> EDTA), or pink (K<sub>2</sub> EDTA). <u>Specimen Preparation</u>: Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature. Separate from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 1 mL serum to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.4 mL) Specimen must be labeled with time drawn. <u>Storage/Transport Temperature</u>: Refrigerated. <u>Stability (collection to initiation of testing)</u>: After separation from cells: Ambient: 24 hours; Refrigerated: 4 days; Frozen: 12 months (avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles)

## **Interpretive Data:**

Normal peak serum cortisol is greater than 18.0 µg/dL at 30 or 60 minutes after 250 micrograms of cosyntropin IV