

## HOTLINE: Effective February 22, 2022

## 0070133 Triiodothyronine, Free (Free T3)

FT3

Specimen Required: Collect: Serum separator tube or plasma separator tube. Also acceptable: Lavender (K<sub>3</sub>EDTA or K<sub>2</sub>EDTA) or pink (K<sub>2</sub>EDTA), Green (lithium heparin)

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. (Min: 0.5 mL)

 $\underline{Storage/Transport\ Temperature:}\ Refrigerated.$ 

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Grossly hemolyzed specimens.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation from cells: Ambient: 5 days; Refrigerated: 1 week; Frozen: 1 month

## **Reference Interval:**

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0-3 days	2.0-7.9 pg/mL
4-30 days	2.0-5.2 pg/mL
1-24 months	1.6-6.4 pg/mL
2-6 years	2.0-6.0 pg/mL
7-11 years	2.7-5.2 pg/mL
12-19 years	2.3-5.0 pg/mL
20 years and older	2.5-4.3 pg/mL