

HOTLINE: Effective June 7, 2021

**2007949 Paliperidone, Serum or Plasma**

**PALIPERID**

**Specimen Required:** Patient Prep: Pre-dose (trough) draw - At steady state concentration.

Collect: **Plain Red. Also acceptable: Lavender (EDTA) or Pink (K<sub>2</sub>EDTA).**

Specimen Preparation: Separate 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)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions: **Whole blood.** Gel separator tubes, light blue (citrate), or yellow (SPS or ACD solution).

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 2 weeks; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 2 months

**Reference Interval:**

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Therapeutic range (Paliperidone (9-hydroxyrisperidone))	20 - 60 ng/mL
Toxic range (Paliperidone (9-hydroxyrisperidone))	Greater than 120 ng/mL