

HOTLINE: Effective November 18, 2019

New Test	3001947	Blood Smear with Interpretation	SMR INTRP
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Methodology: Cytochemical Stain
Performed: Mon-Fri
Reported: 1-2 days

Specimen Required: Collect: Lavender (EDTA) or Green (Sodium or Lithium Heparin). Immediately invert tube several times following procurement of whole blood.

Specimen Preparation: Transport 5 mL whole blood and 6 unfixed push smears. (Min: 0.1 mL whole blood and 2 unfixed push smears)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Room temperature.

Remarks: **Most recent CBC report, patient history, clinical indications and physician's name and telephone number are required.** An instructional video with more information on how to make an adequate slide can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ca3NwrlpS40&feature=youtu.be>

Unacceptable Conditions: Serum or plasma.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): **Whole Blood:** Ambient: 48 hours; Refrigerated: 48 hours; Frozen: Unacceptable

Unfixed Push Smears: Ambient: 5 days; Refrigerated: 5 days; Frozen: Unacceptable

Interpretive Data: Refer to report.

Note: Further information on how to make an adequate slide, in the form of an instructional video, can be found at:

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CPT Code(s): 85060

New York DOH approval pending. Call for status update.

HOTLINE NOTE: Refer to the Test Mix Addendum for interface build information.