

MEMO

TO: Clients

FROM: CCLS – Specimen Referral Center

DATE: June 14, 2021

SUBJECT: Breast Carcinoma-Associated Antigen, Serum

Effective June 24, 2021, Mayo will be making changes to the following test:

***BREAST CARCINOMA-ASSOCIATED ANTIGEN, MAYO CODE C2729
(LAB0204503)***

The collection instructions and specimen stability will be updated as shown below:

Current Specimen Required
<p>Collection Container/Tube: Preferred: Serum gel Acceptable: Red top Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial Specimen Volume: 0.5 mL Collection Instructions: 1. Serum gel tubes should be centrifuged within 2 hours of collection and the serum aliquoted into a plastic vial prior to sending. 2. Red-top tubes should be centrifuged and the serum aliquoted into a plastic vial within 2 hours of collection.</p>

New Specimen Required
<p>Collection Container/Tube: Preferred: Serum gel Acceptable: Red top Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial Specimen Volume: 0.5 mL Collection Instructions: 1. Serum gel tubes should be centrifuged within 2 hours of collection and the serum aliquoted into a plastic vial prior to sending (aliquot does not need to be within 2 hours). 2. Red-top tubes should be centrifuged and the serum aliquoted into a plastic vial within 2 hours of collection. 3. Send refrigerated.</p>

Current Specimen Stability		
Specimen	Temperature	Time
Serum	Frozen (preferred)	90 days
	Ambient	4 days
	Refrigerated	7 days

New Specimen Stability		
Specimen	Temperature	Time
Serum	Refrigerated (preferred)	7 days
	Ambient	4 days
	Frozen	90 days

Please feel free to contact the Specimen Referrals Center with any questions at 320-251-2700 Ext. 57320