

Calcium

Synonyms																			
Abbreviation	Ca																		
Specimen type	Preferred: Plasma Acceptable: Serum																		
Container	Green (PST) Red, Red/Yellow (SST)																		
Volume	1.0 mL Minimum: 0.5 mL																		
Collection requirements	Blood from patients receiving hypaque radiographic contrast agent, citrate or EDTA therapy cannot be used.																		
S/H instructions																			
Stability	Centrifuged and separated from cells: 7 days at room temp 3 weeks refrigerated 8 months frozen																		
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Routine / STAT T.A.T	Within 4 hours / 1 hour																		
Section	Chem																		
LAB code	01285																		

