
LAB ALERT – NEW TEST REPLACING CURRENT TEST**NOTIFICATION DATE: 10/24/2013****EFFECTIVE DATE: 11/18/2013****SOMATOSTATIN BY CLIA, PLASMA****TEST CODE:** SOMATP**ORDER/CONTACT INFORMATION:** ClearPoint Client Services: 972-966-7700 | Fax: 972-966-7799**INTERFACE CODE:** 1004436**TEST CODE TO BE DEACTIVATED:** SOMATA**INTERFACE CODE TO BE DEACTIVATED:** 1001647**REASON FOR CHANGE:** Change in Methodology, Specimen Collection, and Reference Range**METHODOLOGY:** Quantitative Chemiluminescent Immunoassay**PERFORMED:** Varies, Reported in 6-16 days**COLLECTION:** Protease Inhibitor tube (Available from Client Services supply #49662). A winged collection set must be used. Mix Collection tube thoroughly. **NOT RECOMMENDED:** Filling collection tubes directly through a needle/tube-holder assembly. This increases the risk of chemical reflux back into the vein of the patient. **WARNING:** Collection tubes are NOT STERILE.**SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Separate the plasma from cells within 1 hour of collection by centrifugation. Transfer 2 mL plasma to a Standard Transport Tube and freeze. (Min: 0.5 mL) Do not submit the collection tube for testing.**STABILITY (FROM COLLECTION TO INITIATION OF TESTING)** Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: 1 month**TRANSPORT:** Frozen. Separate specimens must be submitted when multiple tests are ordered.**UNACCEPTABLE CONDITIONS:** Thawed specimens. Grossly hemolyzed, lipemic specimens or specimens without protease inhibitor added**REFERENCE RANGE:** < or = 65 pg/mL

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