

Lactate Dehydrogenase (LDH)

Order Name: **LDH**

Test Number: 2003860

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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Lactate Dehydrogenase (LDH)	Lactate - Pyruvate (NAD)	2532-0

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	1 mL (0.5)	Serum	Clot Activator SST	Refrigerated
Alternate 1	1 mL (0.5)	Plasma	Lithium Heparin PST (Light Green Top)	Refrigerated
Instructions	Non hemolyzed specimen. Specimen stability: Ambient 7 days, Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 6 weeks			
	If collecting plasma specimens it is highly recommended for the plasma to poured off immediately.			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	1-2 days
Clinical Use	Useful for evaluating a possible diagnosis of MI after the first 24 hours; however, this use of LD has been replaced by Troponin I determinations. LD may also be useful in liver disease and conditions causing hemolysis.
CPT Code(s)	83615
Lab Section	Chemistry