

Aspartate Transaminase (AST)

Order Name: **AST**

Test Number: 2004800

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TEST NAME		METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Aspartate Transaminase (AST)		Enzymatic	1920-8

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	1 mL (0.5)	Plasma	Lithium Heparin PST (Light Green Top)	Refrigerated
Alternate 1	1 mL (0.5)	Serum	Clot Activator SST	Refrigerated
Instructions	Specimen Stability: Ambient 4 days. Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 12 weeks			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	1-2 days
Clinical Use	Useful in the diagnosis of liver disease.
CPT Code(s)	84450
Lab Section	Chemistry