

Acceptable Tube Types





Alternate Name:		Amniostat PG, Rapid Slide Test for Phosphatidylglcerol (PG)
Performing Lab:		New Hanover
Specimen Container:		Amniotic fluid in a glass or plastic tube
Minimum Volume Required		0.2 mL
Testing Availability	Routine: Stat:	24 hours/day Yes
Turnaround Time:		Routine: 4 hours Stat: < 1 hour
Special Handling:		Protect from light. Transport to laboratory immediately.
Patient Preparation:		None
Specimen Stability:		
Possible Results:		
Negative:		Obtained when PG is absent or present at concentrations associated with a significant risk of RDS
Low Positive:		Obtained at intermediate conditions which happen to be indicative of a rapidly maturing fetal lung. This result must be interpreted with caution, especially in cases of diabetes mellitus where the trace presence of PG has been associated with a low risk of RDS.
High Positive:		Obtained when PG is present at approximately 4 up/mL or greater, which is reported to be 100% predicative of fetal maturity.
Critical Value:		None
CPT Code:		84081

Testing Methodology:	Immunologic Agglutination
Causes for Specimen Rejection:	Improper labeling Specimen not protected from the light
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Other Comments:	
Clinical Significance:	Assay is for the quantitative measurement of the ratio of surfactant to albumin in amniotic fluid for assessment of lung maturity of the fetus.