



D-Dimer

Alternate Name:	None
Performing Lab:	New Hanover, NHRMC Orthopedic, ED North, Pender Memorial
Specimen Container:	Blue stopper tube (sodium citrate)
Minimum Volume Required:	Tube must be filled completely
Testing Availability	Routine: 24 hours/day Stat: Yes
Turnaround Time:	Routine: 4 hours Stat: < 1 hour
Special Handling:	None
Patient Preparation:	None
Specimen Stability:	4 hours-room temperature; 24 hours refrigerated
Reference Range:	0.00-0.50 mg/L FEU
Critical Value:	N/A
CPT Code:	85379
Testing Methodology:	Latex-enhanced turbidimetric
Causes for Specimen Rejection:	Improper labeling, Insufficient Sample Volume
Other Comments:	
Clinical Significance:	In the assessment and evaluation of patients suspected of having disseminated intravascular coagulation or thromboembolic events including pulmonary embolism.