

Acceptable Tube Types

Lipase







Alternate Name:		None
Performing Lab:		New Hanover and Cape Fear
Specimen Container:		Yellow serum separator tube, or green top tube (lithium heparin), or red top tube
Minimum Volume Required:		1.0 mL
Testing Availability	Routine: Stat:	24 hours/day Yes
Turnaround Time:		Routine: 4 hours Stat: < 1 hour
Special Handling:		None
Patient Preparation:		None
Specimen Stability:		
Reference Range:		73 – 393 U/L
Critical Value:		None
CPT Code:		83690
Testing Methodology:		Two-point Rate
Causes for Specimen Rejection:		Improper labeling
Other Comments:		
Clinical Significance:		Confirmatory evidence for diagnosis of

pancreatitis