

Anti-Xa

Acceptable Tube Type



Alternate Name:		LMW Heparin Monitor, Low Molecular Weight Heparin monitoring
Performing Lab:		New Hanover
Specimen Container:		Blue stopper tube (sodium citrate)
Minimum Volume Required	:	Tube must be filled completely
Testing Availability	Routine: Stat:	24 hours/day Yes
Turnaround Time:		Routine: 4 hours Stat: < 1 hour
Special Handling:		None
Patient Preparation:		None
Specimen Stability:		
Therapeutic Range:		2 times daily dosing: 0.6 to 1.0 IU/mL 1 time daily dosing: 1.0 to 2.0 IU/mL
Critical Value:		N/A
CPT Code:		85520
Testing Methodology:		Chromogenic
Causes for Specimen Rejec	tion:	Improper labeling Clotted specimen Hemolysis Specimen diluted with IV fluid or contaminated with heparin Specimens that are too old Tubes must be filled to the top.
Clinical Significance:		Used to monitor low molecular weight heparin (LMWH) therapy, such as Lovenox.