



Change in Performing Laboratory for: Cancer Antigen 27.29

Effective Monday, September 17, 2012, testing for Cancer Antigen 27.29 (CA27.29) will be referred to our reference laboratory, ARUP Laboratories, Salt Lake City, Utah. This testing is currently performed by LabCorp (Centrex) using the Siemens Centaur assay. Because ARUP also uses the Siemens Centaur assay, our clients can be assured of continuity of results for those using this assay to monitor their patients. There is a minor difference in the reference ranges reported by each laboratory as shown in the table below. Rebaselining of patients is not necessary because of this change in performing laboratory, but testing reported by ARUP will be reported with the slightly broader reference range.

Performing Laboratory:	Reference Range:
LabCorp	0.0 – 38.6 U/mL
ARUP	0 – 40 U/mL

Method:	Immunochemiluminometric assay (ICMA)
Specimen Requirements:	One SST tube; 0.5 mL serum minimum.
Unacceptable:	Plasma
Stability:	Refrigerated: 2 days
Storage and Transport:	Refrigerated
Schedule of Testing:	Daily, with results available within 3 to 5 days.

Questions regarding this test may be directed to Cheryl Haskins, MS, MT(ASCP)SC, Manager of Chemistry and Referral Testing, at 315-410-7014 or cherylhaskins@lacny.com or to Deborah Cullen, Referral Testing Supervisor, at 315-410-7022 or deborahcullen@lacny.com.

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