

## **NEW TEST ANNOUNCEMENT**

**NOTIFICATION DATE:** February 19, 2013 **EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 18, 2013

# F-ACTIN AB, IGG, SERUM Test ID: FACT

**USEFUL FOR:** Evaluating patients suspected of having autoimmune hepatitis

**METHODOLOGY**: Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA)

#### **REFERENCE VALUES:**

Negative: <20.0 U

Weak Positive: 20.0-30.0 U

Positive: >30.0 U

### **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:**

Container/Tube: Preferred: Red top Acceptable: Serum gel Specimen Volume: 0.5 mL

#### **SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Serum	Refrigerated (preferred)	21 days
	Frozen	21 days

**CAUTIONS:** Serologic tests for autoantibodies, including anti-F-Actin, should not be relied upon exclusively to determine the etiology or prognosis of patients with liver disease.

**CPT CODE**: 83520

**DAY(S) SET UP:** Monday - Saturday; 4 p.m. **ANALYTIC TIME:** 1 day

NOTE: The following referral test code(s) will become obsolete.

Test Name	Test ID	Referral Lab Code	Referral Lab
F-Actin (Smooth Muscle)	ZW242	00055248	ARUP Laboratories
Antibody, IgG			

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or Dawn Keller, MML Laboratory Technologist Resource Coordinator Telephone: 800-533-1710