

**SPECIMEN STABILITY/FILE
DEFINITION CHANGE**

NOTIFICATION DATE: April 15, 2013

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 22, 2013

T-CELL SUBSETS, NAIVE, MEMORY AND ACTIVATED

Test ID: TCP

Secondary ID: 89319

NOTE: Effective with this change, all orders placed for this test must be submitted in the alpha-numeric character Test ID format instead of the numeric Secondary ID. Result codes may also be subject to change. Please review Test Set-Up and Conversion Mapping information at: <http://www.mayomedicallaboratories.com/test-notifications/index.html>

EXPLANATION: Effective April 22, the CD4/CD8 T-cell quantitation portion of this assay will utilize different fluorochromes and a different flow cytometer platform. With these changes, the **specimen stability will decrease from 72 hours to 48 hours post-collection.**

CURRENT SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Whole Blood EDTA	Ambient	72 hours

NEW SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Whole Blood EDTA	Ambient	48 hours

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or Shirley Pokorski, MML Laboratory Technologist Resource Coordinator
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