



Carcinoembryonic Antigen (CEA), Pleural Fluid

Patient ID SA00048157	Patient Name SAMPLEREPORT, PFCEA NORM		Birth Date 1966-06-10	Gender F	Age 46
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3.2 ng/mL

A pleural fluid CEA concentration < 3.5 ng/mL does not rule out a malignant cause of pleural effusion or the presence of micrometastasis. In a study of 200 patients presenting with a pleural effusion, non-CEA secreting malignancies, including lymphoma, mesothelioma, leukemia and melanoma routinely had CEA concentrations < 3.5 ng/mL. In addition, 25% of patients with CEA secreting malignancies had a CEA level < 3.5 ng/mL. This result should be correlated with serum levels to determine if CEA is elevated in serum. Tumor marker tests are not specific for malignancy. This test result should be interpreted in the context of clinical presentation, imaging and cytology findings.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The testing method is an immunoenzymatic assay manufactured by Beckman Coulter Inc. and performed on the UniCel Dxl 800.

Values obtained with different assay methods or kits may be different and cannot be used interchangeably.

Test results cannot be interpreted as absolute evidence for the presence or absence of malignant disease.

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