

Carotene, Serum
Test ID: CARO
Secondary ID: 8288

EXPLANATION: Effective May 28, 2013, Test ID CARO, Carotene, Serum, will be obsolete.

RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE TEST:

BETA CAROTENE, SERUM
TEST ID: BCARO

METHODOLOGY: High-Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)

REFERENCE VALUES:

> or =18 years: 2.3-65.0 mcg/dL
<18 years: not established

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:

Container/Tube:

Preferred: Red top

Acceptable: Serum gel

Submission Container/Tube: Amber vial (Supply T192)

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Collection Instructions: Send specimen in amber vial to protect from light.

Minimum Volume: 0.3 mL

SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Serum	Refrigerated (preferred)	14 days
	Ambient	24 hours
	Frozen	14 days

CPT CODE: 82380

DAY(S) SET UP: Varies, batched two times per week **ANALYTIC TIME:** 2 days

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or
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