

## Mercury, Whole Blood

Order Name: **MERCURY**  
Test Number: 3806250  
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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Mercury, Whole Blood	Inductively-Coupled Plasma/Mass Spectrometry	5685-3

### SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	1 mL (0.6)	Whole Blood	Royal Blue - EDTA (Trace Element Free)	Room Temperature

**Instructions**

**Specimen Type:** Royal blue-top (EDTA) tube; submit original tube.  
**Specimen Storage:** Maintain specimen at room temperature.  
**Specimen Collection:** Sampling time is end of shift at the end of the work week for industrial exposure monitoring. Metals with timing "end of shift at the end of the work week" (meaning four or five consecutive days with exposure) are eliminated with half-lives longer than five hours. Such metals accumulate in the body during the work week; therefore, their timing is critical in relation to previous exposures.  
**Specimen Stability:** Ambient: 14 days, Refrigerated : 14 days, Frozen: 14 days

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Expected TAT	2 - 4 days working day.
Performing Labcorp Test Code	085324
Notes	Labcorp Test Code: 085324
CPT Code(s)	83825
Lab Section	Reference Lab