

Arthritis Panel

Order Name: **ARTHPANEL**  
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TEST NAME		METHODOLOGY		LOINC CODE
Arthritis Panel				
SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	4.0 mL (1.5 mL)	EDTA Whole Blood and Serum		Refrigerated
Instructions	<p><b>Serum and whole blood are required for this test.</b></p> <p><u>Serum</u> for ANA, RF, and Uric Acid Draw blood in a serum gel tube(s). Spin down and send 3 mL (minimum volume: 1.5 mL) of serum refrigerated. Avoid hemolysis.</p> <p>Note: Label specimen with patient name (first and last) or other unique identifier, patient hospital identification number or Social Security number, date and time of draw, collector initials, and test(s) being ordered.</p> <p><u>Whole blood</u> for ESR Draw blood in a lavender-top (K2 EDTA) tube(s), and send 4 mL (minimum volume: 1.5 mL) of K2 EDTA whole blood refrigerated.</p> <p>Note: Label specimen with patient name (first and last) or other unique identifier, patient hospital identification number or Social Security number, date and time of draw, collector initials, and test(s) being ordered.</p>			
Reference Range	See individual test listings.			
GENERAL INFORMATION				
Testing Schedule	Monday through Sunday			
Expected TAT	24 hours			
Notes	<p>Profile Information:</p> <p>Rheumatoid Factor</p> <p>Antinuclear Antibodies (ANA) Screen with Reflex to Titer</p> <p>Erythrocyte Sedimentary Rate (ESR), Uric Acid</p>			
CPT Code(s)	84550 - uric acid; 85652 - sedimentation rate, Westergren; 86038 - ANA; 86431 - rheumatoid factor; 86039 - ANA titer (if appropriate)			
Lab Section	NRLS-Core Chemistry			