

Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR)

Order Name: **ESR**  
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TEST NAME		METHODOLOGY		LOINC CODE
Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR)				
SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	1.0 mL (1.0 mL)	EDTA Whole Blood	BD Microtainer EDTA	
Alternate 1	4.0 mL (1.0 mL)	EDTA Whole Blood	Lavender Top K2 EDTA	Refrigerated
Instructions	Testing should occur within 2 hours of collection. If stored at 2-6° C, specimen may be tested up to 24 hours if brought to room temperature and mixed well prior to testing.			
	Ambient: 2 Hours			
	Refrigerated: 24 Hours			
	Frozen: Unacceptable			
Reference Range	An interpretive report will be provided.			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Testing Schedule	Monday through Sunday
Expected TAT	2 Hours
Stat TAT	1 Hour
Notes	Stability: Ambient: 2 Hours Refrigerated: 24 Hours Frozen: Unacceptable
CPT Code(s)	85652
Lab Section	NRLS-Core Hematopathology