

Valproic Acid

Order Name: **VALP**
Revision Date: 01/13/2016

TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Valproic Acid		

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	1.0mL (0.5mL)	Plasma	Lithium Heparin	Refrigerated
Alternate 1	1.0mL (0.5mL)	Serum	Serum Gel Tube	Refrigerated
Instructions	<p>Draw blood in a serum gel tube(s) 30 minutes prior to next dose.</p> <p>Spin down and send 1 mL (minimum volume: 0.5 mL) of serum 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	Therapeutic range: 50-100 mcg/mL Toxic range: 150 mcg/mL			

GENERAL INFORMATION

Testing Schedule	Monday through Sunday
Expected TAT	3 Hours
Stat TAT	45 Minutes
CPT Code(s)	80164
Lab Section	NRLS-Core Chemistry