CA125, PLASMA /SERUM

London Health Sciences Centre

Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

Orderable – CA125

Turn Around Time: 4 hours:

Specimen:

Adult	Pediatric
4.5 mL Green top	0-2 years: 0.5 mL Green top
Vacutainer tube	Microtainer
	2-10 years: 2 mL Green top
	Vacutainer tube
Red, Gold, or Lavender (EDTA) top tubes are also acceptable	

Collection Information:

Minimum volume of plasma or serum required is 700 μL for adult samples or 200 μL for pediatric samples.

Reference Ranges:

≤ 35 U/mL



Test Schedule: As required

Interpretive Comments:

Elevations in serum CA125 occur in patients with ovarian carcinoma or adenocarcinoma of the endometrium or fallopian tubes. A rising value may be associated with progression of the disease. CA125 may also increase in pregnancy, breast carcinoma, liver cell carcinoma, bronchial carcinoma, benign ovarian tumours, peritoneal carcinoma, and liver cirrhosis. Mild increases also in renal failure. Not recommended for cancer screening in asymptomatic women.

Comments:

Biotin may interfere with this test. Samples should not be taken from patients receiving high biotin doses (i.e. > 5 mg/day) until at least 8 hours after the last biotin administration.



Core Lab

Laboratory:



Requisition: GENERAL LABORATORY REQUISITION

Method of Analysis: Roche Electrochemiluminescence