



Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

ALKALINE PHOSPHATASE, PLASMA

Orderable - ALP

Turn Around Time: 4 hours STAT: 1 hour

Specimen:

Adult	Pediatric
4.5 mL Green (Lithium	0-2 years: Green top Microtainer
Heparin) top Vacutainer	2-10 years: 2 mL Green top
tube	Vacutainer tube

Collection Information:

Serum from a 5 mL Gold top or 6 mL Red top Vacutainer tube is also acceptable.

Reference Ranges:

Male & Female Children:		
Age	Range	
≤14 days:	83-248 U/L	
15 days-1 year:	122-469 U/L	
1-10 years:	142-335 U/L	
10-13 years:	129-417 U/L	

Male		
Age	Range	
13-15 years:	116-468 U/L	
15-17 years:	82-331 U/L	
17-19 years:	55-149 U/L	
>19 years:	40-129 U/L	

Female		
Age	Range	
13-15 years:	57-254 U/L	
15-17 years:	50-117 U/L	
17-19 years:	45-87 U/L	
>19 years:	35-104 U/L	



Laboratory: Core Lab



Requisition:GENERAL LABORATORY
REQUISITION



Method of Analysis: Enzymatic rate



Test Schedule: As required







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Interpretive Comments:

Normally increased to 400 IU/L in children, adolescence and pregnancy. Abnormally elevated with increased osteoblastic activity (e.g. bone metastasis, Paget's disease of bone), in obstructive liver disease and in some carcinomas of the bronchus. Patients with low alkaline phosphatase levels: A low level can occur in various medical conditions and may be a marker for hypophosphatasia, a now potentially treatable disorder of bone mineralization.

Comments:

Hemolysis is an interfering substance with this methodology.