ANGIOTENSIN CONVERTING ENZYME, SERUM

London Health Sciences Centre

Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

Orderable - ATCE

Turnaround Time: 7 days

Alternate Name(s):

ACE

Specimen:

| Adult | Pediatric |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 5 mL Gold top | 0-2 years: 0.5 mL Red or Gold top |
| Vacutainer tube | Microtainer |
| | 2-10 years: 3 mL Red top |
| | Vacutainer tube |

Collection Information:

Method of Analysis: Enzymatic

Laboratory: Core Lab

Requisition:

REQUISITION

GENERAL LABORATORY

Collect after overnight fast to avoid interference from lipemia.

Minimum volume of serum required is 1 mL.

Reference Ranges:

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| | HHH |
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Test Schedule: Referred out Monday-Thursday

Referred Out Location: In-Common Laboratories

| Age | | Range |
|---------------|-------|------------|
| 6 months-18 y | ears: | 29-112 U/L |
| >18 years | : | 16-85 U/L |



Interpretive Comments:

ACE is useful in the diagnosis and management of sarcoidosis. Elevated ACE activity is also reported in patients with Gaucher's disease and *Pneumyocystis carinii* pneumonia. The test is also useful in monitoring the effect of ACE-inhibiting drugs. However, drugs targeting the renin-angiotensin system confound interpretation of ACE in relation to sarcoidosis.

Storage and Shipment:

Store and ship serum frozen.



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Specimen Stability:

Refrigerated: 15 days Frozen: 3 months