



Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

COMPLEMENT TOTAL, **SERUM**

Orderable - TCOMP

urnaround Time: 5 days

Alternate Name(s):

CH50

Total Complement Function Assay



Laboratory:

Clinical Immunology Lab



Requisition:

CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY **REQUISITION**



Method of Analysis:

Spectrophotometry



Test Schedule: Batch analysis

Specimen:

Adult	Pediatric
5 mL Gold top	0-2 years: 2 x 0.5 mL Red or Gold
Vacutainer tube	top Microtainer
	2-10 years: 3 mL Red top
	Vacutainer tube
Light Green (Li-Heparin) or Lavender (EDTA) top tubes	
are NOT acceptable	

Collection Information:

Minimum volume of serum required is 500 μL

Reference Ranges:

42 - 95 U/mL

Interpretive Comments:

The total complement test is a screen for complement deficiencies or significant activation. The assay measures the relative activity of the total classical pathway (C1-C9).

Complement is very labile and reliable results depend on correct handling of the specimen.

Storage and Shipment:

Store and ship serum frozen.