



Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

# URATE, 24-HOUR URINE

## Orderable – URU24

Turn Around Time: 24 hours

### **Alternate Name(s):**

Uric Acid



**Laboratory:** Core Lab

**Specimen:** 

24-hour urine



**Requisition:**GENERAL LABORATORY
REQUISITION

**Collection Information:** 



**Method of Analysis:** Enzymatic Colorimetric Collection of 24-Hour Urine Sample

No preservative is necessary, but specimen should be kept refrigerated during collection.

#### Note:

Acidified urine is unacceptable. A frozen specimen is also unacceptable.



**Test Schedule:** Weekdays

Please complete the laboratory label attached to the collection bottle to include patient's name, collection start time and date and collection end time and date.

## **Reference Ranges:**

1.5-4.5 mmol/d

## **Interpretive Comments:**

Urine urate levels reflect the amount of dietary purines and endogenous nucleic acid breakdown. Increased urine levels usually accompany increased blood levels unless there is decreased excretion by the kidneys. Only 50% of patients with uric acid stones have increased uric acid excretion.





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## **Storage and Shipment:**

Store in refrigerator then ship specimen on ice packs.