

# SERUM VISCOSITY

## Orderable - VISC

Turn Around Time: 24 hours

### Alternate Name(s):

Relative viscosity, Serum

### Specimen:

6 mL Red top Vacutainer tube

### Collection Information:

Sample must **not** be drawn into a tube which contains a serum separator.

Keep sample at room temperature.

### Reference Ranges:

1.4-2.0

### Interpretive Comments:

Multiple myeloma and Waldenstrom's Macroglobulinemia are conditions with an increased viscosity due to the proteins produced in those conditions.

### Special Processing:

After hours spin and aliquot sample and place aliquot in the fridge in Core Lab walk-in fridge (VH).

### Storage and Shipment:

Ship sample at room temperature.



**Laboratory:**  
Core Lab



**Requisition:**  
GENERAL LABORATORY  
REQUISITION



**Method of Analysis:**  
The time required for a constant volume of fluid to flow through a thoma pipette is compared to the flow rate of water.



**Test Schedule:**  
As required



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Samples are to be shipped within 4 hours of collection.

Samples must be received for testing within 12 hours of collection.