



INTRINSIC  
FACTOR  
ANTIBODIES  
SERUM

## Orderable - AIF

Turn Around Time: 30 days

### Alternate Name(s):

Anti Intrinsic Factor

### Specimen:

6 mL Red or 5 mL Gold top Vacutainer tube

### Collection Information:

Minimum volume of serum required is 3 mL.

No Vitamin B12 injections within the last 24 hours.

### Reference Ranges:

Negative

### Interpretive Comments:

Results will be reported as NEGATIVE, EQUIVOCAL or POSITIVE. Equivocal results will include a recommendation for a repeat specimen.

A NEGATIVE result does not exclude pernicious anemia as only 60% of subjects with pernicious anemia have Intrinsic factor Antibodies. Thus the assay results are not diagnostic and must be interpreted in conjunction with clinical findings and other diagnostic tests.

### Special Processing:

Submit a separate aliquot if Parietal Cell Antibodies is also requested.



**Laboratory:**  
Core Lab



**Requisition:**  
GENERAL LABORATORY  
REQUISITION



**Method of Analysis:**  
ELISA



**Test Schedule:**  
Referred out Monday-  
Thursday



**Referred Out Location:**  
[In-Common Laboratories](#)



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**Storage and Shipment:**

Store and send frozen.

**Specimen Stability:**

Refrigerated: 48 hours

Frozen: 2 months