



Laboratory Service Manual

Lab Dept: Urine/Stool

Test Name: CREATININE, TIMED URINE

General Information

Lab Order Codes: CR24

Synonyms: Creatinine Quantitative Urine; Creatinine, 24 hour urine

CPT Codes: 82570 – Creatinine, other source

81050 – Volume measurement for timed collection, each

Test Includes: Urine creatinine concentrations in mg/dL and mg/specimen

Logistics

Test Indications: Creatinine is a high energy compound used in the metabolic processes of muscle contraction. A portion of the free creatine in muscle spontaneously and irreversibly converts to creatinine. Creatinine is present in all body fluids and secretions. It is freely filtered by the kidney glomeruli and is measured to assess kidney function.

Lab Testing Sections: Chemistry

Phone Numbers:

Minneapolis: 612-813-6280

Saint Paul: 651-220-6550

Test Availability: Daily, 24 hours

Turnaround Time: 1 day

Special Instructions: Submit an entire 24-hour urine collection. No preservative. Refrigerate specimen during and after collection.

Note: Starting and ending times of collection are required for a timed urine collection and must be documented electronically or on the proper request form.

Specimen

Specimen Type: Urine, timed collection



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Container:	Plastic leakproof container (No preservative). Urine GUARD® collection container is preferred for a timed urine sample.
Draw Volume:	Submit an entire 24-hour urine collection
Processed Volume:	Minimum: 0.5 mL urine
Collection:	For timed urine collections, empty the bladder, discard the voided sample, and note the start time. Collect all urine voided for the specified time period. At the end of the period, note the finishing time, add the last voided sample to the container by emptying the bladder. Bring the refrigerated container to the lab. Make sure all specimens submitted to the laboratory are properly labeled with the patient's name, medical record number and date of birth.
Special Processing:	N/A
Patient Preparation:	None
Sample Rejection:	Unlabeled specimens

Interpretive

Reference Range:

Age	Concentration mg/collection
3 – 8 years	110 – 680 mg/collection
9 – 12 years	170 – 1410 mg/collection
13 – 17 years	290 – 1870 mg/collection
>17 years	630 – 2500 mg/collection
Note: The reference values are for a 24 hour collection. Specimens collected for other than a 24-hour time period have no reference values established.	

Critical Values:	N/A
Limitations:	N/A
Methodology:	Alkaline Picrate/Kinetic
Contraindications:	N/A
References:	Tietz (1999) Clinical Guide to Laboratory Tests, 3 rd ed, Philadelphia, WB Saunders Company, pp 1240-1245



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