Lab Dept: Chemistry

Test Name: LACOSAMIDE LEVEL

General Information

Lab Order Codes: LCS

Synonyms: Vimpat

CPT Codes: 80235 – Lacosamide

Test Includes: Lacosamide/Vimpat concentration in reported in ug/mL.

Logistics

Test Indications: Useful for therapeutic drug monitoring (TDM). Lacosamide is used in the

treatment of certain types of seizures.

Lab Testing Sections: Chemistry – Sendouts

Referred to: Medtox Laboratories (MedTox Test: 777)

Phone Numbers: MIN Lab: 612-813-6280

STP Lab: 651-220-6550

Test Availability: Daily; 24 hours

Turnaround Time: 2 – 4 days

Special Instructions: Trough levels are most reproducible

Specimen

Specimen Type: Blood

Container: Red top NO GEL tube

(Plasma or serum gel tubes are not acceptable)

Draw Volume: 3 mL blood

Processed Volume: 1 (min.: 0.2) mL serum

Collection: Routine venipuncture. Mix tubes containing anticoagulant by gentle

inversion.

Special Processing: Lab Staff: Centrifuge specimen, aliquot serum into plastic sample cup. Store

Refrigerated. (Frozen OK. Ambient 3 days OK) Forward promptly.

Patient Preparation: None

Sample Rejection: Unlabeled or mislabeled specimen; specimens other than serum;

specimens collected in gel-barrier tubes

Interpretive

Reference Range: <=15.0 ug/mL

Expected concentrations in patients receiving recommended daily dosages:

up to 15.0 ug/mL.

Critical Values: Toxic range not established

Limitations: N/A

Methodology: Immunoassay (IA)

References: Medtox Laboratories February 2023

Updates: 11/1/2012: Reference range update.

2/1/2016: CPT update 8/3/2016: Tube update 11/16/2016: CPT update

2/2/2023: Tube and methodology update