Lab Dept: Urine/Stool

Test Name: pH URINE BY DIPSTICK

General Information
Lab Order Codes: URPH
Synonyms: Urine PH
CPT Codes: 83986 – pH, body fluid, except blood
Test Includes: Urine pH

Logistics
Test Indications: Useful for diagnosing renal tubular acidosis.
Lab Testing Sections: Urinalysis
Phone Numbers: MIN Lab: 612-813-6280
STP Lab: 651-220-6550
Test Availability: Daily, 24 hours
Turnaround Time: 30 minutes
Special Instructions: Specimens must arrive within 30 minutes of collection. Refrigerate specimen after collection if there is a delay in transport of 30 minutes or more. No preservative.

Specimen
Specimen Type: Urine
Container: Urine cup
Draw Volume: Submit entire specimen
Processed Volume: Minimum: 1 mL urine
Collection: Routine urine collection
Special Processing: N/A
Patient Preparation: None

Sample Rejection: Urine specimen greater than 30 minutes old and not refrigerated; urine specimen that is collected on cotton balls; mislabeled or unlabeled specimen

Interpretive

Reference Range: All ages: 5.0 – 8.0

Critical Values: N/A

Limitations: N/A

Methodology: Dipstick read on Clinitek Advantus (double indicator principle with methyl red and bromthymol blue)

References: Strasinger SK (1989) Urinalysis and Body Fluids, FA Davis Company

Updates: 9/23/2015: Reference range update, previously listed as 5.0-9.0.