
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.