

Lithium

Synonyms	Lithium Level
Abbreviation	LITH
Specimen type	Serum
Container	Red or Red/Yellow (SST)
Volume	1.0 mL Minimum: 0.5 mL
Collection requirements	For routine monitoring, draw sample 8-12 hours after last dose. Verify last dose date/time.
S/H instructions	
Stability	Centrifuged: SST stable 24 hours refrigerated. Pour-over serum stable 24 hours in refrigerator. Freeze if analysis is delayed beyond 24 hours.
Reference range	None Present 0.6-1.2 mmol/L (Therapeutic) to 1.5 mmol/L (PANIC)
Routine / STAT T.A.T	Within 4 hours / 1 hour
Section	CHEM

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