

Laboratory Technical Bulletin

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Title: Lipid Profile will auto reflex a Directly Measured LDL when Triglyceride is >400 mg/dL

Test: Directly Measured LDL auto reflex

Explanation of change: LDL, when ordered as part of the lipid profile, is a calculated result. The calculation utilizes the directly measured total cholesterol, HDL and triglyceride values. Due to the mathematical limitations of the equation, LDL cannot be accurately calculated when triglyceride value is >400mg/dl. A directly measured LDL now will be reflex ordered in these cases.

	Calculated LDL	Directly Measure LDL
Perform Site	CMC Lab	CMC Lab
Method	Calculation	Beckman AU 680
Test Code	LDLC	DLDL
Reference Range	>18 yrs:	>18 yrs:
	Desirable: <100 mg/dL	Desirable: <100 mg/dL
	Above Desirable: 100-129	Above Desirable: 100-129
	Borderline high: 130-159	Borderline high: 130-159
	High: 160-189	High: 160-189
	Very high: >189	Very high: >189
	2-18 yrs:	2-18 yrs:
	Desirable: <110	Desirable: <110
	Borderline High: 110-129	Borderline High: 110-129
	High: >129	High: >129
Specimen	SST, (PST – main campus only)	SST, (PST – main campus only)
Volume Required	6 mL	6 mL
Turnaround time	Monday through Sunday;	Monday through Sunday;
	Continuously	Continuously

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