



Client Update

JULY 2020

Test Name	Test Code	Effective Date
ClariTest Core Non-Invasive Prenatal Screen	TH18, TH19	July 7, 2020

The Cell-Free DNA (cfDNA) White Top Plastic blood collection tube is the preferred specimen type. Two tubes are required. It is important to fill both tubes to full capacity. Blood collection in the cfDNA white top tubes, combined with increased volume, is expected to reduce the likelihood of test failure.

To order kits please use speedy #: 527

Test Requisition Forms will be updated to reflect the tube change by indicating a “2W” next to test codes TH18 and TH19. “Old” requisitions will remain acceptable. New requisitions will be ready for orders by: 8/4/2020.

	Previous Test Information	New Test Information
Primary Container	BCT Glass Streck Tubes (black and tan stopper)	Cell-Free DNA White Top Plastic Tube
Minimum Volume	7 mL	7 mL in each tube
Transportation Temp	Room temperature	Room temperature
Stability	7 days at room temperature	7 days at room temperature
Collection Instructions		Draw two 10 mL Cell-Free DNA White Top Plastic blood collection tubes and mix by gentle inversion 8-10 times. It is recommended to use a 21 gauge straight needle; avoid butterflies if possible. **It is important to fill both tubes to capacity**. Store and ship tubes at room temperature.
CPT Code(s)**	81507, 81422	81507, 81422

* TAT is based upon receipt of the specimen at the laboratory

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Warm Weather Specimen Collection and Storage **N/A** **Immediately**

As we continue to experience high temperatures this summer, please be reminded of the below instructions when preparing a frozen sample for specimen pick-up.

- Collect specimen according to the specimen collection requirements and label tube.
- Place specimen inside specimen bag with requisition and affix Blue FROZEN specimen label.
- When ready for pick-up, call Customer Service to confirm you have a Frozen specimen.
- Keep specimen frozen until courier arrives. If utilizing a lock-box, place specimen bag inside pre-chilled Frozen Transport Container, and place full container inside the lock-box.

To order Frozen specimen supplies, please contact customer service and reference the following supply order numbers:

- Ice packs – Supply #904
- Frozen specimen labels – Supply #975
- Frozen transport container for specimen lock box – Supply #717



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REMINDER - COVID-19 Antibody Test Results	TH99-5	May 13
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As announced Monday, April 27, BioReference now offers the **COVID-19 Antibody** test, which utilizes a blood sample to measure SARS-CoV-2 specific antibody levels, and correlates with a patient’s immune response after COVID-19 infection.

Please be reminded that as of May 13, each COVID-19 Antibody test is now performed utilizing the Roche Elecsys Anti-Sars CoV-2 assay or the DiaSorin Liaison Sars CoV-2 S1/S2 assay. **Test results from these platforms are qualitative.**

REMINDER - Oncology Requisitions Archival Retrieval Date Field	N/A	May 11
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Oncology requisitions have been updated to include a new field, entitled “**Archive Retrieval Date**,” which is located at the top of the requisition forms. This field should be filled out when paraffin-embedded tissue blocks that are used for solid tumor testing that have been taken from storage. The Archive Retrieval Date is the date the block was pulled from storage. Please provide this date, if applicable, in the space provided. It is needed for billing purposes. Also, please include a copy of the surgical pathology report with the completed requisition.

NOTES:

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