

Test Requirement Update



Folate RBC

Effective immediately, 9/24/10, Mayo Reference Laboratory has discontinued their red blood cell Folate test. The replacement test is Mayo Order code 57194, Folate RBC, which will be referred to Quest Diagnostics.

NEW Specimen Requirements:

Draw from fasting patient, blood in EDTA lavender top tube, Within 4 hours of collection, transfer 1 mL EDTA blood to an amber vial (Supply T192) to protect from light, freeze immediately and ship as such.

Note:

- 1. Hematocrit value must accompany requisition for RBC Folate.**
- 2. Hct must have been drawn within 24 hours of Folate RBC**

A question box has been added to the Meditech Enter/Edit requisition process when ordering Folate RBC for this information to be electronically stored and sent to Mayo.

If you have questions, please contact St. Luke's Client Services, (218) 249-5200.