Reference Range Update



Microscopic Urinalysis Red Blood Cell Range Change

Effective April 10, 2017, St. Luke's Hospital laboratory will update the Microscopic Urinalysis Red Blood Cell (RBC) reference range to follow the American Urological Association's guideline for the diagnosis, evaluation, and follow-up of asymptomatic microhematuria (AMH). Asymptomatic microhematuria is defined as having 3 or more RBC's/HPF on a properly collected urine specimen submitted for microscopic evaluation.

New Red Blood Cell Reference Range: 0 – 2 RBC's/HPF

Old Red Blood Cell Reference Range: 0 – 3 RBC's/HPF

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St. Luke's Laboratory Services has developed a Web page which contains New Test Announcements. <u>http://www.slhduluth.com/hospital/laboratory-services/</u>