

News

Clinical Laboratory Test Update

New Test – Pleural pH

Effective 6/21/22, the University of Colorado Hospital Clinical Laboratory will offer pleural pH using a different methodology.

Specimen	Pleural fluid in a heparinized syringe
Methodology	Potentiometric Ion selective electrode
Storage/Transport	Onsite: Deliver to laboratory immediately. Maintain at ambient temperature if delivered to the laboratory within 30 minutes. Offsite: unacceptable
Reference Range	Not applicable, see Interpretive Comment
Interpretive Comment	The reference range for pleural pH is undefined and the result must be integrated into the clinical context including the blood pH. For help understanding this result, please contact the Clinical Laboratory and ask to speak with a pathologist.
CPT Code	83986
Epic Order	LAB2828 Pleural PH

Please call Brian Harry, MD PhD at 720-848-7070 if you have any questions or visit our test catalog at <https://www.testmenu.com/universityhospital> for additional information.

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