

# Esoterix Update

## A Newsletter for Clients

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### Announcements

In observance of the upcoming holidays, all Esoterix facilities will be closed the following days:

- Christmas Day, Monday December 26, 2011
- New Year's Day, Monday January 2, 2012

For questions regarding specimen handling, contact Esoterix Client Services, 800-444-9111.

### Updates to the Esoterix Test Menu

Procedure	Test Code	Field/Change
Aldosterone, Urine (Includes Creatinine)	500018	<b>New Test Code:</b> 503569 <b>Volume:</b> 10 mL <b>Specimen Requirement:</b> Instruct the patient to void at 8 AM and discard the specimen. Then, collect all urine, including the final specimen voided at the end of the 24-hour collection period (ie, 8 AM the next morning), into the plastic container with boric acid. Screw the lid on securely. Transport the specimen promptly to the laboratory. Container <b>must</b> be labeled with patient's full name, date and time collection started, and date and time collection finished. <b>Methodology:</b> Liquid chromatography/tandem mass spectrometry (LC/MS-MS) <b>Performing Location:</b> LabCorp <b>Effective Date:</b> December 5, 2011
Bleeding Diathesis with Normal APTT/PT Profile	300909	<b>CPT:</b> Addition of 85240 <b>Note:</b> If PAI-1 result is <6 IU/mL, PAI-1 will reflex to tPA Antigen and PAI-1 Antigen adding CPT 85415(x2). <b>Additional Information:</b> Profile will now include Factor VIII Chromogenic Activity. If PAI-1 result is <6 IU/mL, will reflex to Tissue Plasminogen Activator (tPA) Antigen and Plasminogen Activator Inhibitor-1 (PAI-1) Antigen. <b>Effective Date:</b> January 8, 2012
Bone Specific Alkaline Phosphatase (Ostase), Serum	500074	This assay is no longer available as of November 11, 2011. LabCorp offers Bone-specific Alkaline Phosphatase (LabCorp Test N° 513002)*
CBC w/5 Part Diff and PLT	501466	This assay will no longer be available effective December 5, 2011. LabCorp offers Complete Blood Count (CBC) With Differential (LabCorp Test N° 005009)*. Clients sending consistent test volume have been verbally notified.
Growth Hormone Antibodies	500214	<b>Methodology:</b> Radioimmunoprecipitation <b>Reference Range:</b> All ages: ≤8.3 ng/mL negative; ≥8.4 ng/mL positive <b>Additional Information:</b> Growth hormone antibody reporting has been changed from a semi-quantitative titer to a quantitative value. <b>Effective Date:</b> January 16, 2012.
Thrombin-Antithrombin Complex	300714	<b>Reference Range:</b> <4.3 ng/mL <b>Effective Date:</b> January 3, 2012

\*Visit the online Test Menu at [www.LabCorp.com](http://www.LabCorp.com) for full test information, including CPT codes and specimen collection requirements.

For up-to-date test information, please consult the Esoterix *Test Menu* at [www.esoterix.com](http://www.esoterix.com). For additional information, call Esoterix Client Services at 800-444-9111.

The CPT codes included in this publication are in accordance with *Current Procedural Terminology*, a publication of the American Medical Association. CPT codes are provided here for the convenience of our clients; however, correct coding often varies from one carrier to another, and Esoterix may bill specific carriers using codes other than those shown. Clients who bill for services should verify the codes with the applicable payor to confirm that their use is appropriate in each case.



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