## Glucose

CPT Code: 82947 Order Code: C101

**ABN Requirement:** No

**Synonyms:** Blood Sugar; Fasting Blood Sugar; FBS; Fasting Blood Glucose; FBG;

**Blood Glucose** 

**Specimen:** Serum **Volume:** 1.0 mL

Minimum Volume: 0.5 mL

**Container:** Gel-barrier tube (SST, Tiger Top)

## **Collection:**

1. Collect and label sample according to standard protocols.

- 2. Gently invert tube 5 times immediately after draw. DO NOT SHAKE.
- 3. Allow blood to clot 30 minutes.
- 4. Centrifuge for 10 minutes.

**Patient Preparation:** Fasting required. Fasting is defined as no consumption of food or beverage other than water for at least 8 hours before testing.

**Special Instructions:** Blood must be centrifuged within 30 minutes of collection.

**Transport:** Store serum at 2°C to 8°C after collection and ship the same day per packaging instructions included with the provided shipping box.

## **Stability:**

**Ambient (15-25°C):** 4 days **Refrigerated (2-8°C):** 7 days

**Frozen (-20°C):** 28 days

**Causes for Rejection:** Specimens other than serum; improper labeling; samples not stored properly; samples older than stability limits; gross hemolysis; gross icterus

Methodology: Enzymatic Assay

**Turn Around Time:** 1 to 3 days

**Risk Ranges:** 

**Critical Value:** 

## **Urgent Values:**

**Clinical Significance:** The glucose test can be used to identify diabetic and prediabetic individuals in a healthy, asymptomatic population, especially those with risk factors, to detect hyper- and hypoglycemia, and to monitor glucose levels in individuals with diabetes.

**Limitations:** In very rare cases, gammopathy, in particular type IgM (Waldenstrom's macroglobulinemia), may cause unreliable results.

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