# Hemoglobin A1c with eAG with Reflex to 1,5-Anhydroglucitol (1,5-AG)

**CPT Code:** 83036 **Order Code:** 10379

**Includes:** If Hemoglobin A1c result is  $\geq 6.5\%$  or  $\leq 8.0\%$ , then 1,5-Anhydroglucitol (1,5-AG), Intermediate Glycemic Control will be performed at an additional

charge (CPT Code: 84378).

**ABN Requirement:** No

## **Specimen Requirements:**

**Submit two separate specimens:** 

**Preferred:** Whole blood from a full EDTA (lavender-top) tube **AND** 1.0 mL SST serum

**Alternative:** Whole blood from a full EDTA (lavender-top) tube **AND** 1.0 mL EDTA plasma

**Minimum Volume:** 0.5 mL for each sample type

#### **Collection:**

#### **EDTA Whole Blood:**

- 1. Collect and label EDTA tube according to standard protocols.
- 2. Gently invert tube 8-10 times immediately after draw. Do not shake.
- 3. Do not centrifuge whole blood tube.

#### **AND**

### **SST Serum:**

- 1. Collect and label SST tube 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.

#### OR

#### **EDTA Plasma:**

- 1. Collect and label a separate EDTA tube according to standard protocols. *Note: If not collecting SST tube, two EDTA tubes must be collected.*
- 2. Gently invert tube 8-10 times immediately after draw. Do not shake.
- 3. Centrifuge for 10 minutes.
- 4. Pre-squeeze transfer pipet bulb and draw off approximately 2/3 of upper plasma layer.
  - Note: This ensures that the buffy coat and red cells remain undisturbed.
- 5. Aliquot plasma into transport tube labeled as 'EDTA plasma' and cap rightly.
- 6. Discard original tube.

**Transport:** Transport samples at either refrigerated (2-8°C) or room temperature and ship the same day per packaging instructions included with the provided shipping box.

# **Stability:**

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

**Frozen (-20°C):** 28 days

**Causes for Rejection**: Improper labeling; samples not stored properly; samples older than stability limits; sodium fluoride/oxalate (gray-top) tube; heparinized plasma; unspun serum separator tube (SST)

**Methodology**: Immunoassay

Turn Around Time: 2 to 5 days

Reference Range: See individual tests

## **Clinical Significance:**

Hemoglobin A1c: To assist with control of blood glucose levels, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) has recommended glycated hemoglobin testing

(HbA1c) twice a year for patients with stable glycemia, and quarterly for patients with poor glucose control. Interpretative ranges are based on ADA guidelines.

1,5-Anhydroglucitol (1,5-AG): Diazyme 1,5-anhydroglucitol (1,5-AG) Assay is an enzymatic method intended for the quantitative determination of 1,5-anhydroglucitol (1,5-AG) in serum or plasma. The 1,5-AG Assay is for the intermediate term (preceding 1-2 weeks) monitoring of glycemic control in people with diabetes.

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