## **Transferrin**

CPT Code: 84466 Order Code: 891

**ABN Requirement:** No

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

Minimum Volume: 0.5 mL

**Container:** Gel-barrier tube (SST)

## **Collection**:

1. Collect and label sample according to standard protocols.

- 2. Gently invert tube 10 times immediately after draw. Do not shake
- 3. Allow blood to clot 30 minutes.
- 4. Centrifuge for 10 minutes.

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

**Frozen (-20°C):** 90 days

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

Methodology: Immunoturbidimetric Assay

**Turn Around Time:** 2 to 3 days

## Reference Range:

| Age      | mg/dL   |
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| All Ages | 188-341 |

Clinical Significance: Transferrin is a direct measure of the iron binding capacity. Transferrin is thus useful in assessing iron balance. Iron deficiency and

overload are often evaluated with complementary laboratory tests.

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