

TEST UPDATE FIBROMETER TESTING

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OVERVIEW AND CLINICAL UTILITY:

Effective June 29, 2015 PathGroup Labs will begin offering the non-invasive Echosens FibroMeter diagnostic test for liver fibrosis and inflammation. This addition provides clients with superior testing results and improved turnaround time. In addition to current chemistry assays, FibroMeter utilizes two supplementary tests, platelet count and prothrombin index, to result a fibrosis, cirrhosis, and activity score.

The FibroMeter test is equivalent to the FibroSure test which is no longer available through PathGroup's current reference laboratory. To learn more about the FibroMeter test, visit aruplab.com/fibrometer. Updated specimen requirements are detailed below.

ORDERING:

TEST CODE	TEST NAME	CPT CODES
FIBROM	Echosens FibroMeter	83883, 84450, 84460, 84520, 82977

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND STORAGE:

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Serum Separator Tube (SST) - 1 Blue Top (Sodium Citrate) - 1 Lavender or Pink top (EDTA)
SPECIMEN PREPARATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Separate serum and citrated plasma from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. - Transfer 3 mL serum to a transport tube. (Min: 1.2 mL) - Transfer 1 mL platelet-poor citrated plasma to a transport tube (Min: 0.5 mL)
STORAGE & TRANSPORT TEMPERATURE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Serum: STRICT Frozen - Plasma: STRICT Frozen - EDTA Whole Blood: Refrigerated

TEST PERFORMED: Tuesday & Thursday

TURNAROUND TIME: 1 – 5 Days

For further questions, please contact Client Services at 615-562-9300 or 1-888-474-5227