

Test Name

LIPID PANEL WITH RATIOS

Synonyms**Test Code**

913

Specimen Type

Serum or plasma, fasting preferred
Fasting is recommended if Triglycerides are high

Preferred Container

Serum separator tube (SST)

Alternate Container

red, green (heparin) or lavender (EDTA)

Minimum Volume**Temperature/Stability**

Refrigerated: 1 week

Handling

Fast 12-14 hours before collection

Reject

Grossly hemolyzed

Panel Includes

TOTAL CHOLESTEROL, HDL, TRIGLYCERIDES, LDL CALCULATION, VLDL CALCULATION, CHOL/HDL RATIO AND NON-HDL CHOLESTEROL CALCULATION. If Triglycerides >400 mg/dL, the LDL calculation is unreliable, and the Non-HDL calculation is recommended.