

**Test Name**

PARATHYROID HORMONE, INTACT

**Synonyms**

PTH, PTHi, I-PTH

**Test Code**

662

**Specimen Type**

Plasma or serum, fasting preferred

**Preferred Container**

green (heparin) or Serum Separator Tube (SST)

**Alternate Container**

red or lavender (EDTA)

**Minimum Volume****Temperature/Stability**

Serum, room temperature: 4 hours or Refrigerated: 24 hours. Plasma, room temperature: 8 hours or Refrigerated: 48 hours

**Handling**

If shipment or testing cannot be completed within refrigerated stability time, freeze at -20°C

**Reject**

Do NOT use EDTA for calcium