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Test Updates

In our continuing effort to provide you with the highest quality toxicology laboratory services available, we have compiled important changes regarding a number of tests we perform. Listed below are the types of changes that may be included in this notification, effective Monday, July 11, 2022

Test Changes - Tests that have had changes to the method/ CPT code, units of measurement, scope of analysis, reference comments, or specimen requirements.

Discontinued Tests - Tests being discontinued with alternate testing suggestions.

Please use this information to update your computer systems/records. These changes are important to ensure standardization of our mutual laboratory databases.

If you have any questions about the information contained in this notification, please call our Client Support Department at (866) 522-2206. Thank you for your continued support of NMS Labs and your assistance in implementing these changes.

The CPT Codes provided in this document are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. NMS Labs does not assume responsibility for billing errors due to reliance on the CPT Codes listed in this document.



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Test	Test Name	Test Name	Method / CPT Code	Specimen Req.	Stability	Scope	Units	Reference Comments	Discontinue
0406B	Anticoagulant Poisoning Panel (Qualitative), Blood			•					
0406SP	Anticoagulant Poisoning Panel (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma			•					
0413B	Brodifacoum (Qualitative), Blood			•					
0413SP	Brodifacoum (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma			•					
0414SP	Bromadiolone (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma			•					
0415SP	Chlorophacinone (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma			•					
10217FL	Chromium, Cobalt and Titanium, Fluid (CSA)			•					
0416SP	Dicumarol (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma			•					
0417SP	Difenacoum (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma			•					
0418SP	Diphacinone (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma			•					
9158B	Diphenoxylate Screen, Blood								•
9158SP	Diphenoxylate Screen, Serum/Plasma								•
9158U	Diphenoxylate Screen, Urine								•
4370LI	Thallium, Liquid			•					
4486FL	Titanium, Fluid			•					



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Test Changes

0406B Anticoagulant Poisoning Panel (Qualitative), Blood

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Blood
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: Gray top tube (Sodium Fluoride / Potassium Oxalate), Lavender top tube (EDTA)
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: None
Rejection Criteria: None

0406SP Anticoagulant Poisoning Panel (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Serum or Plasma
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Serum: Collect sample in Red top tube
Plasma: Collect sample in Lavender top tube (EDTA) or Pink top tube.
Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial using approved guidelines.
Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

0413B Brodifacoum (Qualitative), Blood

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Blood
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: Gray top tube (Sodium Fluoride / Potassium Oxalate)
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: None
Rejection Criteria: None

0413SP Brodifacoum (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.



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Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Serum or Plasma
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial using approved guidelines.
Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

0414SP Bromadiolone (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Serum or Plasma
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial using approved guidelines.
Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

0415SP Chlorophacinone (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Serum or Plasma
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial using approved guidelines.
Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

10217FL Chromium, Cobalt and Titanium, Fluid (CSA)

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.



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Specimen Requirements: 5 mL Fluid
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: Plastic container (Acid washed or Trace metal-free)
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: None
Rejection Criteria: None

0416SP Dicumarol (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Serum or Plasma
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial using approved guidelines.
Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

0417SP Difenacoum (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Serum or Plasma
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial using approved guidelines.
Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

0418SP Diphacinone (Qualitative), Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.



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- Specimen Requirements: 1 mL Serum or Plasma
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: NMS Labs has no experimental or literature-based data regarding the choice of specific specimen collection containers for this test.
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: Promptly centrifuge and separate Serum or Plasma into a plastic screw capped vial using approved guidelines.
Rejection Criteria: Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).

4370LI **Thallium, Liquid**

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 3 mL Liquid
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: Plastic container (Acid washed or Trace metal-free)
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: None
Rejection Criteria: None

4486FL **Titanium, Fluid**

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements were changed.

- Specimen Requirements: 4 mL Fluid
Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
Specimen Container: Plastic container (Acid washed or Trace metal-free)
Light Protection: Not Required
Special Handling: None
Rejection Criteria: None



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Discontinued Tests

Test	Test Name	Alternative Test
9158B	Diphenoxylate Screen, Blood	No Alternate Tests Available
9158SP	Diphenoxylate Screen, Serum/Plasma	No Alternate Tests Available
9158U	Diphenoxylate Screen, Urine	No Alternate Tests Available