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Monday, August 14, 2017

Test Updates

Immediate Action

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, August 14, 2017

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	TAT	Method / CPT Code	Specimen Req.	Stability	Analytes	Units	Reference Comments	Discontinue
1021B	Substituted Cathinone Panel, Blood				•	•	•			
1021SP	Substituted Cathinone Panel, Serum/Plasma				•	•	•			
1021U	Substituted Cathinone Panel, Urine					•	•			
4800U	Warfarin, Urine									•



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Test Changes

1021B Substituted Cathinone Panel, Blood

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed.
Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.
Stability was changed.
N-Ethyl Pentylone and Dibutylone were added.
Flephedrone and 3-FMC were removed.

Requested Volume: 2 mL Blood
 Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
 Sample Container: Gray top tube (Sodium Fluoride / Potassium Oxalate)
 Light Protection: Not Required
 Special Handling: None
 Rejection Criteria: Received Room Temperature.
 Stability: Room Temperature: 2 day(s)
 Refrigerated: 28 day(s)
 Frozen (-20 °C): 28 day(s)
 Scope of Analysis: LC-MS/MS (80371): Pentylone, Ethylone, Butylone, Dibutylone, N-Ethyl Pentylone
 Method (CPT Code)

Analyte Name	Interface Map	Units	Reference Comment
Dibutylone	DIBUTYLO	ng/mL	
N-Ethyl Pentylone	NETHPENT	ng/mL	

1021SP Substituted Cathinone Panel, Serum/Plasma

Summary of Changes: Specimen Requirements (Transport Temperature) were changed.
Specimen Requirements (Rejection Criteria) were changed.
Stability was changed.
N-Ethyl Pentylone and Dibutylone were added.
Flephedrone and 3-FMC were removed.

Requested Volume: 2 mL Serum or Plasma
 Transport Temperature: Refrigerated
 Sample Container: Plastic container (preservative-free)
 Light Protection: Yes
 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: Not received Light Protected. Received Room Temperature. Polymer gel separation tube (SST or PST).
 Stability: Room Temperature: 1 day(s)
 Refrigerated: 14 day(s)
 Frozen (-20 °C): 28 day(s)



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Analyte Name	Interface Map	Units	Reference Comment
Dibutylone	DIBUTYLO	ng/mL	
N-Ethyl Pentylone	NETHPENT	ng/mL	

1021U Substituted Cathinone Panel, Urine

Summary of Changes: Stability was changed.
Dibutylone and N-Ethyl Pentylone were added.
Flephedrone and 3-FMC were removed.

Stability: Room Temperature: 1 day(s)
Refrigerated: 28 day(s)
Frozen (-20 °C): 28 day(s)

Scope of Analysis: LC-MS/MS (80371): Pentylone, Ethylone, Butylone, Dibutylone, N-Ethyl Pentylone
Method (CPT Code)

Analyte Name	Interface Map	Units	Reference Comment
Dibutylone	DIBUTYLO	ng/mL	
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Discontinued Tests

Test	Test Name	Alternative Test
4800U	Warfarin, Urine	4800B - Warfarin, Blood 4800SP - Warfarin, Serum/Plasma