

TECHNICAL BULLETIN

NEW TEST TEST CHANGE

NOTIFICATION DATE: 06/28/2024

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediate

Vasoactive Intestinal Polypeptide (VIP)

On the effective date, Northwell Health Laboratories will update the Vasoactive Intestinal Polypeptide test for specimen collection requirements utilizing the Trasylol® kit – available through the Reference Department. The test will now be performed by LabCorp.

Test Requirement/Parameter	New	Previous
Methodology	DiaSource Radioimmunoassay	Radioimmunoassay
Specimen Requirements	2 mL Plasma with Trasylol	1mL Plasma
Submission Container/Tube	Lavender Top Tube	Lavender Top Tube
Specimen Volume/Minimum Volume	0.4 mL Plasma with Trasylol®	0.75 mL Plasma
Collection Instructions	Using a chilled 6-mL lavender-top (EDTA) tube taken from the kit, collect a whole blood specimen. Mix the specimen several times by inverting the EDTA collection tube. After removing the cap from the EDTA draw tube, take one of the sterile, Beral pipettes (from under the gray foam), and add 0.25 mL Trasylol® to the EDTA tube. Recap the EDTA tube and invert several times to mix well. Centrifuge the EDTA tube to separate the plasma from the cells, and immediately transfer the plasma into one of the brown screw-cap transfer tubes provided in the kit. There should be a "Trasylol® Added" label affixed to the brown transfer tubes. Cap and freeze the labeled transfer tube containing the EDTA plasma with Trasylol® added. Send to the Laboratory Frozen	None
Transport Temperature	Frozen	Frozen
Reference Range	0.0-58.8 pg/mL	< 78 pg/mL
Computer Interface Code	PDM #5901330	PDM #5901330
Test Order	VIP	VIP

If you have any questions, please contact Client Services at (800) 472-5757.