TECHNICAL BULLETIN

⊠NEW TEST ⊠TEST CHANGE

NOTIFICATION DATE: 12/04/2025 EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediate

Immature Platelet Fraction (IPF) Percent and Absolute (IPF % and #)

On the effective date, Northwell Health Laboratories is introducing a new test, Immature Platelet Fraction (IPF) Percent and Absolute. This test will provide clinicians with a more dynamic assessment of platelet production, aiding in the diagnosis and management of various platelet disorders, including unexplained thrombocytopenia, and monitoring treatment response. IPF % and # will be reported alongside the standard complete blood count (CBC) when platelet count less than 100K/ul.

Immature Platelet Fraction (IPF) measures the percentage (IPF %) and absolute count (IPF #) of newly produced, young platelets in peripheral blood. These platelets are typically larger and contain more RNA than mature platelets. IPF is a valuable marker for assessing the rate of platelet production by the bone marrow and for differentiating between causes of thrombocytopenia (low platelet count). High IPF values often indicate increased platelet production, such as in immune thrombocytopenia (ITP) or following bone marrow recovery, while low values may suggest bone marrow suppression or failure.

Test Requirement/Parameters	Immature Platelet Fraction New	
Method:	Sysmex XN series	
Specimen Requirements:	Blood	
Submission Container/Tube:	1 Lavender top (EDTA) tube	
Specimen Volume/Minimum Volume:	3ml	
Collection Instructions:	Tube must be more than half full for proper anticoagulant ratio. For pediatrics, draw blood in a MICROTAINER®. Do not draw a small volume into a standard VACUTAINER®.	
Specimen Stability:	24 hours Room Temperature (8 Hours Room Temperature for Northwell RRL Labs)	
Reference Range:	IPF% (Immature Platelet Fraction %):	
	0 Minutes-180 Days Male 2.0-6.8 % Female 1.3-6.8 % 180 Days-2 Years Male 1.4-3.8 % Female 1.4-4.5 %	
	2 Years-6 Years Male 1.1-3.6 % Female 1.0-3.6 %	
	6 Years-12 Years Male 1.0-4.9 % Female 1.0-4.7 %	
	12 Years-18 Years Male 1.6-6.1 % Female 1.4-6.4 %	
	18 Years-150 Years Male 1.6-7.1 % Female 1.6-4.9 %	

Reference Range continued:	IPF # (Immature Platelet Fraction #):	
	0 Minutes-180 Days	Male 5.4-22.1 K/uL
		Female 6.5-28.7 K/uL
	180 Days-2 Years	Male 4.8-14.7 K/uL
		Female 2.0-14.5 K/uL
	2 Years-6 Years	Male 3.4-10.7 K/uL
		Female 2.7-14.8 K/uL
	6 Years-12 Years	Male 3.5-14.0 K/uL
		Female 2.1-11.6 K/uL
	12 Years-18 Years	Male 4.6-13.6 K/uL
		Female 5.1-14.3 K/uL
	18 Years-150 Years	Male 3.9-12.5 K/uL
		Female 4.7-11.1 K/uL
Computer Interface Code	PDM# 5500294 or 5500290	
Test Order:	CBC or CBC/D	