



# Adiponectin

**CPT Code:** 83520

**Order Code:** C314

**ABN Requirement:** No

**Specimen:** Serum

**Volume:** 1.0 mL

**Minimum Volume:** 0.5 mL

**Container:** Gel-barrier tube (SST)

## Collection:

1. Collect and label sample according to standard protocols.
2. Gently invert tube 5 times immediately after draw. Do not shake.
3. Allow blood to clot 30 minutes.
4. Centrifuge for 10 minutes.

**Transport:** Store serum at 2°C to 8°C after collection and ship the same day per packaging instructions included with the provided shipping box.

## Stability:

**Ambient (15-25°C):** 3 days

**Refrigerated (2-8°C):** 7 days

**Frozen (-20°C):** 21 days

**Deep frozen (-70°C):** 860 days

**Causes for Rejection:** Specimens other than serum; improper labeling; samples not stored properly; samples older than stability limits; gross hemolysis

**Methodology:** Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA)

**Turn Around Time:** 7 to 10 days

**Reference Range:**

BMI	Adiponectin (µg/mL)	
	Male	Female
<25 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	4-26	5-37
25-30 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	4-20	5-28
>30 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	2-20	4-22

**Intended Use:** The adiponectin test may be performed on individuals at risk of metabolic syndrome or diabetes due to poor lifestyle choices.

**Clinical Significance:**

- Individuals with low adiponectin levels have a 3X greater risk of developing metabolic syndrome<sup>1</sup>.
- Men with two or more risk factors for metabolic syndrome and high adiponectin levels are half as likely to develop metabolic syndrome as men with low adiponectin levels<sup>2</sup>.
- Individuals with low levels of adiponectin are up to 9X as likely to develop type 2 diabetes<sup>3</sup>.
- Individuals with low adiponectin levels have a 2X increase in the prevalence of CAD<sup>4</sup>.
- Adiponectin levels in the blood can be increased by thiazolidinediones, such as pioglitazone<sup>5</sup>.

**References:**

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