

# Albumin

**CPT:** 82040

**Order Code:** C109

**ABN Requirement:** No

**Synonym:** Alb

**Specimen:** Serum

**Volume:** 0.5 mL

**Minimum Volume:** 0.2 mL

**Container:** Gel-barrier tube (SST, Tiger Top)

## 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 provided with the Cleveland HeartLab shipping box.

## Stability:

**Ambient (15-25°C):** 10 weeks

**Refrigerated (2-8°C):** 5 months

**Frozen (-20°C):** 4 months

**Deep Frozen (-70°C):** 4 months

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

**Methodology:** Colorimetric Assay

**Turn Around Time:** 1 to 3 days

## Reference Range:

Age	Reference Range g/dL
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All Ages	3.5 - 5.5
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**Intended Use:** An albumin test may be ordered, along with other tests, to evaluate individuals at risk for kidney disease or liver disease. The test is also used for the evaluation of nutritional status and blood oncotic pressure.

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