

# Osteocalcin, N-MID

**CPT Code:** 83937

**Order Code:** C1498

**ABN Requirement:** No

**Synonyms:** Osteocalcin

**Specimen:** Red Top Serum only

**Volume:** 1.0 mL

**Minimum Volume:** 0.5 mL

**Container:** No gel tube (Red Top tube)

## **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.
5. Aliquot serum into labeled transport tube and cap tightly.

**Special Instructions:** Samples should not be taken from patients receiving therapy with high biotin doses (>5 mg/day) until at least 8 hours following the last dose. Collect blood in a red-top vacutainer tube containing no additives. Allow blood to clot at room temperature and centrifuge immediately to separate the serum from the cells. Freeze as soon as possible.

**Transport:** Store serum at -20°C after collection and ship the same day per packaging instructions provided with the Cleveland HeartLab shipping box.

- **Please note:** Ship frozen serum on dry ice.

## **Stability:**

**Ambient (15-25°C):** not acceptable

**Refrigerated (2-8°C):** 24 hours

**Frozen (-20°C):** 21 days

**Deep Frozen (-70°C):** 21 days

**Causes for Rejection:** Specimens other than red top serum; specimens collected in SST tube; specimens received not frozen; improper labeling; samples not

stored properly; samples older than stability limits; hemolyzed specimens

**Methodology:** Electrochemiluminescence Immunoassay (ECLIA)

**Turn Around Time:** 5-6 days

**Reference Range:**

Age	Male ng/mL	Female ng/mL
0-4 years	not established	not established
5-9 years	47-142	47-142
10-13 years	49-167	49-167
14-17 years	26-203	14-85
≥18 years	9-38	8-32

**Intended Use:** Osteocalcin, the most abundant non-collagen protein in bone matrix, is a bone-specific, calcium binding protein. Serum osteocalcin levels are related to the rate of bone turnover in various disorders of bone metabolism, e.g., osteoporosis, primary and secondary hyperparathyroidism, and Paget's disease.

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