

Ammonia

Order Name: **AMMONIA**
Test Number: 2000300
Revision Date: 06/17/2026

TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Ammonia	GLDH/UV	16362-6

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	1 mL (0.5)	Plasma	EDTA (Lavender Top)	Frozen
Alternate 1	1 mL (0.5)	Plasma	Lithium Heparin PST (Light Green Top)	See Instructions
Instructions	<p>Place specimen on ice immediately after drawing, Outpatient Collections Frozen EDTA plasma is preferred separate plasma and freeze within 30 minutes as Frozen P/O Frozen stability 24hrs. Ascension Hospital Collections Lithium Heparin Plasma is preferred, put on ice and deliver to lab immediately. Lithium Heparin Stability 2 hour delay permissible if plasma is separated from cells and kept on ice or refrigerated.</p>			

GENERAL INFORMATION

Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	1-2 days
Clinical Use	Useful in the diagnosis and treatment of advanced liver disease and hepatic encephalopathy and Reye's Syndrome.
CPT Code(s)	82140
Lab Section	Chemistry