

**Valproic Acid (Depakene)**

 Order Name: **VALPROIC**

Test Number: 4005800

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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
Valproic Acid (Depakene)	Enzyme Immunoassay	4086-5

**SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS**

Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	<b>1 mL (0.5)</b>	<b>Plasma</b>	<b>Lithium Heparin PST (Light Green Top)</b>	<b>Refrigerated</b>
Alternate 1	<b>1 mL (0.5)</b>	<b>Serum</b>	<b>Clot Activator SST</b>	<b>Refrigerated</b>
Instructions	Draw before dose. Separate plasma/serum from cells/gel ASAP. Stability: Ambient 8 hours, Refrigerated 2 days, Frozen 7 days			

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Testing Schedule	Daily
Expected TAT	1-2 days
Clinical Use	Depakene (Valproic Acid) and Depakote (Divalproex Sodium) are closely-related drugs used for the treatment of petit mal, grand mal, mixed and akinetic-myoclonic seizures. Useful for optimizing drug dosage and assessing toxicity.
Notes	Also known as Depakene
CPT Code(s)	80164
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