

Diagnostic Test Information Sheet 03

Test Name:	Thyroid Stimulating Hormone
Test code:	TSH3
Special Precautions:	None
Specimen Handling:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Collect specimen in a 5 mL SST Gold top tube. 2. Gently invert tube 5-6 times. 3. Label specimen with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ full name of patient ○ one other unique patient identifier (i.e. DOB and/or Medical Health Number) ○ test name 4. Allow to clot upright for a minimum of 30 minutes. 5. Centrifuge for 10 minutes at 1300 RCF. 6. Place specimen in specimen transport bag. 7. Seal bag. 8. Fold requisition and place in sleeve of bag.
Reference Range:	0.32-5.04 mIU/mL
	Please note new reference ranges effective Dec 21, 2021
Turnaround Time:	Not available on a STAT basis. Routine: 72 hours
Sample Type:	Serum or Plasma
Sample Container:	Gold Top Serum Separator Tube or Plasma Separator Tube
Minimum Volume:	1 ml
Collection and Shipping:	Refrigerate @ 2-8°C. If sent out to referral lab, send on ice pack.
Method:	Beckman Coulter Access 2- Immunoenzymatic Assay
Stability Time:	2 days @ 2-8°C.
Interferences:	Hemolysis: avoid hemolyzed samples Lipemia: avoid lipemic samples Bilirubin: no significant interference
Measurement Uncertainty:	Available upon request. Please call 604-336-2090 or email info@novavitalaboratory.com.

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