

Pathology First Biochemistry Reference Intervals

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| Code | Test name | Sex | Age | Reference Range | Units | Source | Comment |
|------|--------------------------------------|-----|-----------|--|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| NA | Sodium | | | (133 - 146) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| K | Potassium | | | (3.5 - 5.3) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| CL | Chloride | | | (95 - 108) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| UREA | Urea | | 30d | (0.8 - 5.5) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| | | | 1 | (1.0 - 5.5) | | | |
| | | | 16 | (2.5 - 6.5) | | | |
| | | | | (2.5 - 7.8) | | | |
| CREA | Creatinine | M/F | 30d | (22 - 90) | umol/L | Beckman | |
| | | | 2 | (11 - 34) | | | |
| | | | 14 | (21 - 65) | | | |
| | | | 18 | (59 - 98) | | | |
| | | | 28 | (59 - 135) | | | |
| | | | 40 | (59 - 124) | | | |
| | | M | 54 | (59 - 117) | | | |
| | | | 67 | (59 - 111) | | | |
| | | | 79 | (59 - 107) | | | |
| | | | 88 | (59 - 104) | | | |
| | | | 150 | (59 - 104) | | | |
| | | | F | 18 | | (45 - 83) | |
| | | 29 | | (45 - 104) | | | |
| | | 43 | | (45 - 95) | | | |
| | | 56 | | (45 - 89) | | | |
| | | 65 | | (45 - 85) | | | |
| | | 78 | | (45 - 83) | | | |
| | | 86 | (45 - 80) | | | | |
| 150 | (45 - 78) | | | | | | |
| EGFR | Estimated Glomerular Filtration rate | | | (>60) | ml/min/1.73m2 | | |
| BIC | Bicarbonate | | 16 | (19 - 28) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| | | | 120 | (22 - 29) | | | |
| PHOS | Phosphate | | 30d | (1.3 - 2.6) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| | | | 12m | (1.3 - 2.4) | | | |
| | | | 16 | (0.9 - 1.8) | | | |
| | | | | (0.8 - 1.5) | | | |
| TP | Total Protein | | | (60 - 80) | g/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| ALB | Albumin | | 12M | (30 - 45) | g/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| ALB | | | 16 | (30 - 50) | | | |
| | | | | (35 - 50) | | | |
| GLOB | Globulins | | | (20 - 35) | g/L | | |
| ALT | ALT | M | | (<50) | u/L | Beckman | |
| | | F | | (<35) | | | |
| ACA | Adjusted calcium | | 30d | (2.0 - 2.7) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| | | | 16 | (2.2 - 2.7) | | | |
| | | | | (2.2 - 2.6) | | | |
| CRP | C Reactive protein | | | (< 5) | mg/L | Beckman | |
| B12 | Vitamin B12 | | | (120 - 900) | ng/L | Local data | From 01/08/17 |
| FERR | Ferritin | | | (15 - 300) | ng/mL | Regional | |
| GLU | Glucose (random) | | | (< 11.1) | mmol/L | World Health Organisation | |
| FGLU | Glucose (fasting) | | | (3.5 - 6.0) | mmol/L | Beckman | |
| CK | CK | M | | (< 320) | u/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| | | F | | (< 200) | | | |
| CKMB | CKMB | | | (0 - 24) | u/L | Beckman | |
| AMY | Amylase | | | (28 - 100) | u/L | Beckman | |
| GGT | Gamma Glutamyl Transferase | M | | (<55) | u/L | Beckman | |
| | | F | | (<38) | | | |
| MG | Magnesium | | 30d | (0.6 - 1.0) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| | | | >30 days | (0.7 - 1.0) | | | |
| AST | AST | F | | (<35) | u/L | Beckman | |
| | | M | | (<50) | | | |
| URA | Urate | M | | (200 - 430) | umol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| | | F | | (140 - 360) | | | |
| BA | Bile acids | | | (0 - 14) | umol/L | Beckman | |
| ALP | Alkaline Phosphatase | | 30d | (70 - 380) | u/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| | | | 16 | (60 - 425) | | | |
| | | | | (30 - 130) | | | |
| BILI | Bilirubin (Total) | | | no range | umol/L | n/a | |
| | | | 14d | (0 - 21) | umol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| CBIL | Conjugated bilirubin | | | (<3.4) | umol/L | Beckman | |
| FOL | Folate | | | (> 2.5) | ug/L | Regional | |
| TSH | Thyroid Stimulating Hormone | | 20d | no range | mu/L | n/a | |
| | | | 11y | (0.79 - 5.85) | | | |
| | | | >11 years | (0.3 - 5.0) | | | |
| FT4 | FT4 | | 20d | no range | pmol/L | n/a | |
| | | | >20 days | (7.9 - 16) | | | |
| | | | | In pregnancy, the lower limit of normal for FT4 is: 1st trimester 6.7 2nd trimester 5.8 3rd trimester 6.1 | | | |

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| FT3 | FT3 | | 20d >20 days | (3.8 - 6.0) | pmol/L | Beckman | |
| BNP | NT-proBNP | | 75 yrs | (< 300) | ng/L | NICE | CHF thresholds for referral to Echocardiography in primary care |
| BNP | | | >75 yrs | (< 450) | | | |
| SALI | Salicylate | | | undetectable | mg/L | n/a | |
| LACT | Lactate | | | (0.6 - 2.5) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| IRON | Iron | F | | (10 - 30) | umol/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| TRAN | Transferrin | | | (2.0 - 3.6) | g/L | Regional | |
| TSAT | Transferrin Saturation | F | | (15 - 45) | % | BSCH Guidelines Genetic Haemochromatosis 2000/EASL Clinical Practice Guidelines for HFE Hemochromatosis. J Hepatol (2010) | |
| | | M | | (15 - 50) | % | | |
| DIG | Digoxin | | | (0.8 - 2.0) | ug/L | Pathology Harmony | |
| GENT | Gentamicin | | | see guidance | mg/L | n/a | |
| VANC | Vancomycin | | | see guidance | mg/L | n/a | |
| AMIK | Amikacin | | | see guidance | mg/L | n/a | |
| IGA | Immunoglobulin A | | 14d | (0.01 - 0.08) | g/L | Protein Reference Unit | |
| | | | 44d | (0.02 - 0.15) | | | |
| | | | 3m | (0.05 - 0.4) | | | |
| | | | 6m | (0.10 - 0.5) | | | |
| | | | 9m | (0.15 - 0.7) | | | |
| | | | 1 | (0.20 - 0.7) | | | |
| | | | 2 | (0.30 - 1.2) | | | |
| | | | 3 | (0.30 - 1.3) | | | |
| | | | 6 | (0.40 - 2.0) | | | |
| | | | 9 | (0.50 - 2.4) | | | |
| | | | 12 | (0.70 - 2.5) | | | |
| | | | 15 | (0.80 - 2.8) | | | |
| | | | 45 | (0.80 - 2.8) | | | |
| IGG | Immunoglobulin G | | 14d | (5.0 - 17.0) | g/L | Protein Reference Unit | |
| | | | 44d | (3.9 - 13.0) | | | |
| | | | 3m | (2.1 - 7.7) | | | |
| | | | 6m | (2.4 - 8.8) | | | |
| | | | 9m | (3.0 - 9.0) | | | |
| | | | 1 | (3.0 - 10.9) | | | |
| | | | 2 | (3.1 - 13.8) | | | |
| | | | 3 | (3.7 - 15.8) | | | |
| | | | 6 | (4.9 - 16.1) | | | |
| | | | 9 | (5.4 - 16.1) | | | |
| | | | 12 | (5.4 - 16.1) | | | |
| | | | 15 | (5.4 - 16.1) | | | |
| | | | 45 | (6.0 - 16.0) | | | |
| IGM | Immunoglobulin M | | 14d | (0.05 - 0.20) | g/L | Protein Reference Unit | |
| | | | 44d | (0.08 - 0.40) | | | |
| | | | 3m | (0.15 - 0.70) | | | |
| | | | 6m | (0.20 - 1.00) | | | |
| | | | 9m | (0.40 - 1.60) | | | |
| | | | 1 | (0.60 - 2.10) | | | |
| | | | 2 | (0.50 - 2.20) | | | |
| | | | 3 | (0.50 - 2.20) | | | |
| | | | 6 | (0.50 - 2.00) | | | |
| | | | 12 | (0.50 - 1.80) | | | |
| | | | 15 | (0.50 - 1.90) | | | |
| | | | 45 | (0.50 - 1.90) | | | |
| | | | >45 yrs | (0.50 - 2.00) | | | |
| AAT | Alpha 1 antitrypsin | | 6m | (0.8 - 1.8) | g/L | Protein Reference Unit | |
| | | | 1 | (1.1 - 2.0) | | | |
| | | | 5 | (1.1 - 2.2) | | | |
| | | | 10 | (1.4 - 2.3) | | | |
| | | | 15 | (1.2 - 2.0) | | | |
| | | | >15 yrs | (1.1 - 2.1) | | | |
| PSA | Prostate Specific Antigen | M | 69 | (< 3.0) | ug/L | UKNSC Screening for Prostate Cancer Review Local agreement with Urology Teams | |
| | | | 79 | (< 5.0) | | | |
| HCG | Human Chorionic Gonadotrophin | F M | | (< 5) (< 5) | u/L | Beckman | |
| LH | Luteinising Hormone | M/F | 11y | | u/L | n/a | |
| | | F M | >11 years | see comment (1.2 - 8.6) | | | |
| FSH | Follicle Stimulating Hormone | M/F | 11y | | u/L | n/a | |
| | | F M | >11 years | see comment (1.3 - 19.3) | | | |
| OEST | Oestradiol | M | 12M | (<193) | pmol/L | Caliper | |
| | | | 11y | (<73) | pmol/L | Beckman | |
| | | >11 years | (<173) | pmol/L | Beckman | | |
| | | F | 12M | (<193) | pmol/L | Caliper | |
| 11 | (<73) | | pmol/L | Beckman | | | |
| | | >11 years | see comment | pmol/L | Beckman | | |

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|------|------------------------------|-----|-----------|------------------------------------|---------|--|---|---------------|
| PROG | Progesterone | F | | See comment | nmol/L | Beckman | Mid luteal (Day 21) Progesterone levels:- Ovulation unlikely <16 nmol/L Ovulation possible: 16 – 30 nmol/L Ovulation probable: >30 nmol/L | |
| PTH | Parathyroid Hormone | | | (1.3 - 9.3) | pmol/L | Beckman | | |
| VITD | Vitamin D | | | (Sufficient 76 - 150 nmol/L) | nmol/L | Holick MF et al. Evaluation, Treatment, and Prevention of Vitamin D Deficiency: An Endocrine Society Clinical Practice Guideline, J Clin Endocrinol Metab 2011; 96 (7): 1911- 1930. | | |
| TES | Testosterone | M | 1.5y | (<9.85) | nmol/L | Caliper | | |
| | | | 6 | (<0.35) | | | | |
| | | | 8 | (<0.62) | | | | |
| | | | 11 | (<1.63) | | | | |
| | | F | 101 | (6.1 - 27.1) | | Beckman | | |
| | | | 1.5y | (<2.19) | | | | |
| | | | 6 | (<0.35) | | | | |
| | | | 8 | (<0.62) | | | | |
| | | | 11 | (<1.63) | Caliper | | | |
| | | | 101 | (<2.4) | | | | |
| | | | | | | Beckman | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| FAI | Free Androgen Index | M | 17 | no range in paed 17yrs and below | nmol/L | Beckman | | |
| | | | >17 years | (24 - 110) | | | | |
| | | F | 16 | no range in paed 16yrs and below | | nmol/L | | n/a |
| | | | 46 | (<11) | | | | |
| | | | 101 | (<7) | | | | |
| | | | 30d | (12 - 116) | | | | |
| 12m | (>32) | | | | | | | |
| SHBG | Sex Hormone Binding Globulin | M | 7 | (53 - 174) | nmol/L | Beckman | | |
| | | | 10 | (45 - 144) | | | | |
| | | | 12 | (16 - 132) | | | | |
| | | | 101 | (13 - 90) | | | | |
| | | | 30d | (12 - 116) | | | | |
| | | | 12m | (>32) | | | | |
| | | F | 7 | (53 - 174) | | Caliper | | |
| | | | 10 | (45 - 144) | | | | |
| | | | 12 | (16 - 132) | | | | |
| | | | 46 | (18 - 136) | | | | |
| | | | 101 | (17 - 125) | | | | Beckman |
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| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| CHOL | Cholesterol | | | none quoted | mmol/L | n/a | | |
| TRIG | Triglycerides | | | (< 2.26) | mmol/L | National Cholesterol Education Program (NCEP) | | |
| HDL | High Density Lipoprotein | | | none quoted | mmol/L | n/a | | |
| LDL | Low Density Lipoprotein | | | (< 3.0) | mmol/L | | | |
| TNT | Troponin T | | | (< 14) | ng/L | Roche | | |
| PARA | Paracetamol | | | undetectable | mg/L | n/a | | |
| ALC | Alcohol | | | undetectable | mg/dL | n/a | | |
| OSM | Osmolality | | | (275 - 295) | mmol/kg | Pathology Harmony | | |
| AMMO | Ammonia | | 1M | Sick or prem <150, neonate <100 | umol/L | Pathology Harmony | | |
| | | | 16 | (<50) | | | | |
| | | | | (16 - 53) | | | | Thermo Fisher |
| RF | Rheumatoid Factor | | | (0 - 14) | u/mL | Beckman | | |
| C3 | Complement C3 | | | (0.9 - 1.8) | g/L | Beckman | | |
| C4 | Complement C4 | | | (0.14 - 0.54) | g/L | Protein Reference Unit | | |
| HAPT | Haptoglobin | | | (0.3 - 2.0) | g/L | Beckman | | |
| THEO | Theophylline | | | (10 - 20) | mg/L | Pathology Harmony | | |
| LI | Lithium | | | (0.4 - 1.0) | mmol/L | Pathology Harmony | | |
| PHNY | Phenytoin | | | (5 - 20) | mg/L | Pathology Harmony | | |
| CARB | Carbamazepine | | | (4 - 12) | mg/L | Pathology Harmony | | |
| CYC | Cyclosporin | | | see report | ug/L | n/a | | |
| C125 | Ca125 (Roche) | | | (< 35) | ku/L | NICE CG122 Ovarian cancer | | |
| | Ca125 (Beckman) | | | | | | | |
| CEA | CEA (Roche) | | | (< 5) | ug/L | Roche | | |
| | CEA (Beckman) | | | (<3) | ug/L | Beckman | | |
| C199 | Ca 19-9 (Roche) | | | (< 33) | ku/L | historical | | |
| | Ca 19-9 (Beckman) | | | (< 35) | ku/L | Beckman | | |
| C153 | Ca 15-3 (Charing Cross) | | | (< 32) | ku/L | Referral Lab | | |
| | Ca 15-3 (Beckman) | | | (< 31) | ku/L | Beckman | | |
| AFP | Alpha fetoprotein (Roche) | | | (< 7.5) | ku/L | historical | | |
| | Alpha fetoprotein (Beckman) | | | (< 7.4) | ku/L | Beckman | | |
| LDH | Lactate Dehydrogenase | | 5d | (<1732) | u/L | Beckman | | |
| | | | 6m | (<975) | | | | |
| | | | 6 | (<615) | | | | |
| | | | >6 yrs | (208 - 378) | | | | |
| CORT | Cortisol | | | (185 - 624) | nmol/L | Beckman | Early morning sample | |
| IGE | Total IgE | | | See report | ku/L | | | |

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|------|--------------------------------|-----|------|-----------------|-----------|---|------------------|
| PRL | Prolactin | F | | see report | mu/L | Beckman | |
| | | M | | <278 | | | |
| BPPP | Bioactive prolactin | F | | (< 469) | mu/L | Beltran et al., Clinical Chemistry, 2008, 54:10 1773-1681 | |
| | | M | | (< 301) | | | |
| CTP | CSF Total protein | | 30d | (0.15 - 1.30) | g/L | Beckman | |
| | | | >30d | (0.15 - 0.45) | | | |
| CLAC | CSF Lactate | | 10d | (1.1 - 4.4) | mmol/L | Beckman | |
| | | | 17 | (1.1 - 2.8) | | | |
| | | | >17 | (1.1 - 2.4) | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| 24NA | Urine Sodium (24hr) | | | (40 - 220) | mmol/24hr | Beckman | |
| 24K | Urine Potassium (24hr) | | | (25 - 125) | mmol/24hr | Beckman | |
| 24CL | Urine Chloride (24hr) | | | none quoted | mmol/24hr | n/a | |
| 24UR | Urine Urea (24hr) | | | (250 - 570) | mmol/24hr | Beckman | |
| 24CR | Urine Creatinine (24hr) | | | none quoted | mmol/24hr | n/a | |
| UALB | Urine Albumin | | | See ACR | | n/a | |
| ALCR | Urine Albumin Creatinine ratio | | | (<3) | mg/mmol | NICE CG182 CKD | |
| 24TP | Urine Total protein (24hr) | | | (<0.1) | mmol/24hr | Beckman | |
| UPCR | Urine protein creatinine ratio | | | (<15) | mg/mmol | Renal Association Guidelines Proteinuria | From August 2017 |
| 24PH | Urine Phosphate (24hr) | | | (15 - 50) | mmol/24hr | Pathology Harmony | |
| 24UA | Urine Uric acid (24hr) | | | (1.5 - 4.5) | mmol/24hr | Pathology Harmony | |
| 24CA | Urine Calcium (24hr) | | | (2.5 - 7.5) | mmol/24hr | Pathology Harmony | |
| 24MG | Urine magnesium (24hr) | | | (2.4 - 6.5) | mmol/24hr | Pathology Harmony | |

Key:

[Pathology Harmony](#) - a national initiative supported by the DOH, established to identify areas of atology that could be harmonised including reference intervals.

[Manufacturers of test provide specific reference ranges:](#)

Roche
Beckman
Thermo Fisher

[Protein Reference Unit](#) - Referral laboratory specialising in protein testing

[Caliper study](#) - A Canadian initiative to create a comprehensive database of normal reference values for a wide range of biochemical markers in children

[Leeds Study](#) - A reference range study of thyroid function tests