

Memo

To: AML Reference Laboratory Clients
From: Allina Medical Laboratories, Reference Laboratory Services
Date: August 30, 2007
Re: Insulin Specimen Stability & Transport Change

We have received notification from our reagent manufacturer that the specimen stability for Insulin has been decreased from 72 hours to 24 hours at 2-8°C. ***Due to this change, effective immediately, we are requesting that all Insulin specimens be submitted to AML frozen.***

Please spin, separate into a false bottom transport vial, and freeze all Insulin specimens. A request has been sent to Allina LIS to change the Ultra collection label to reflect the change in processing as soon as possible, and the AML on line Collection Manual will also be updated to reflect this change.

Test Name:	Insulin
Ultra Code:	141 / INS
Collect:	1 mL Serum
Container:	False Bottom Plastic Transfer Vial
Processing:	Spin, Separate and Freeze
Transport:	Frozen
Stability:	24 Hours at 2 - 8°C, 6 months at - 20°C
Days Performed:	Monday - Saturday
Turn Around Time:	1-2 Days
Reference Range:	< 17 u/ml
Method:	ECLIA - Electrochemiluminescence

If you have any questions in regards to this change, please contact your AML Account Representative.