



Patient Information		Specimen Information	Client Information	
DOB: Gender: Phone: Patient ID: Health ID:	AGE: Fasting:	Specimen: Requisition: Lab Ref #: Collected: Received: Reported:		

COMMENTS: FASTING:YES

Test Name	In Rang	e Out Of Range Reference Range	Lab
GASTRIC PARIETAL CELL	<20.0	Reference Range: U	EZ
ANTIBODY, ELISA		<=20.0 NEGATIVE	
GASTRIC PARIETAL CELL AB		20.1-24.9 EQUIVOCAL	
		>=25.0 POSITIVE	

Anti-gastric parietal cell antibodies (Anti-GPA) were previously tested for by indirect immunofluorescence (IF) using mouse stomach as a substrate. Identification of the specific antibody target as H+/K+ ATPase protein (a gastric proton pump) has led to the development of an ELISA based assay. Antibodies to this protein are present in approximately 80% of patients with pernicious anemia and a small percentage of the general adult population. The latter percentage increases with age and may reflect the presence of atrophic gastritis. A negative test does not exclude a diagnosis of pernicious anemia. A test for intrinsic factor blocking antibody (IFab) may provide serological evidence in support of the diagnosis in some of these patients.