

# TEST UPDATE

## Sedimentation Rate, Westergren Stability Update

### UVMMC

Effective 12/23/2024, UVMMC will be increasing sed rate specimen stability from 12 hours when refrigerated to 24 hours. This change will align us with the majority of our network partners. The Alcor iSed operator's manual states a 24-hour stability when refrigerated. This claim was verified by performing a study in which previously reported patient samples were retested at 24 hours. The study showed excellent correlation and supports this stability update.

Updated Orderable	Epic Code	Atlas Code	Mayo Test ID	Old Stability	New Stability
Sed Rate, Westergren	LAB322	SWE	FAH4904	12 hours Refrigerated	24 hours Refrigerated

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