

PORPHYRIN  
PRECURSORS  
24-HOUR  
URINE

## Orderable - PBGU24

Turn Around Time: 14 days



**Laboratory:**  
Core Lab



**Requisition:**  
GENERAL LABORATORY  
REQUISITION



**Test Schedule:**  
Referred out Monday -  
Thursday



**Referred Out Location:**  
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### Alternate Name(s):

ALA  
D-ALA  
PBG  
Aminolevulinic acid  
Delta-aminolevulinic acid  
Porphobilinogen  
Precursor porphyrins

### Specimen:

24-hour urine collected in a container with no preservative

### Collection Information:

#### Collection of 24-Hour Urine Sample

Please complete the laboratory label attached to the collection bottle to include patient's name, collection start time and date, and collection end time and date.

Protect specimen from light.

### Reference Ranges:

<b>Delta-aminolevulinic acid:</b>	≤50 µmol/d
<b>Porphobilinogen:</b>	≤9 µmol/d
Reference intervals are for adults only and are not available for individuals 17 years of age or younger.	

### Special Processing:

Transfer an aliquot of at least 20 mL of the measured urine to a sterile container. Keep aliquot protected from light. Store and ship urine aliquot frozen. Indicate the 24-hour total volume (in L) and collection date

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**Storage and Shipment:**

Store and ship urine aliquot frozen and protected from light.