

RETICULOCYTE  
ABSOLUTE

## Orderable - RT

Turn Around Time: 4 hours

STAT: 1 hour

### Alternate Name(s):

Reticulocyte Count

### Specimen:

Adult:	Pediatric Venous:	Pediatric (Capillary):
4 mL K <sub>2</sub> EDTA (Lavender) Vacutainer tube	2 mL Paeds K <sub>2</sub> EDTA (Lavender) Vacutainer	0.5 mL MAP K <sub>2</sub> EDTA (Lavender) Microtube 0.5 mL K <sub>2</sub> EDTA (Lavender) Microtube

### Collection Information:

If testing is delayed beyond 24 hours from collection, it is recommended the sample be stored at 4°C until time of testing. Sample must be warmed to room temperature prior to analysis.

CBC and RT can be collected in the same tube and that RT can be added on to existing CBC as long as <24 hours.

### Reference Ranges:

10-100 x 10<sup>9</sup>/L

### Comments:

Reflection of erythropoietic activity.



**Laboratory:**  
Core Lab



**Requisition:**  
GENERAL LABORATORY  
REQUISITION



**Method of Analysis:**  
Automated reticulocyte  
analysis is performed on  
the Sysmex XN using a  
fluorochrome dye  
method



**Test Schedule:**  
As required