



Test Catalog

Diagnostic. Prognostic. Predictive. Predisposition.



CEA (Mono)

Alternative Name

CEA monoclonal

Methodology

Immunohistochemistry (IHC)

Test Description

Carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA) is usually demonstrated as a linear labeling of the apical poles of cells lining the glandular lumen and occasionally as weak staining near the apex of normal colonic epithelial cells. Tumors tend to display an increased cytoplasmic staining. In specific cases, CEA can be useful in tumor diagnosis. Pancreatic carcinomas, testicular tumors, gallbladder neoplasms and granular cell myoblastomas all stain positive for CEA, while malignant tumors of brain, prostate, skin, lymphoreticular tissues, hepatocellular carcinomas, esophageal squamous cell carcinomas and mesothelioma fail to stain for CEA.

Specimen Requirements

- A formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded (FFPE) tissue block is preferred specimen type
or
- One (1) unbaked, unstained slide for H&E staining (required) and two to three (2-3) positively charged unstained slides (all cut at 4-5 microns) for each test/antibody ordered
- Block and slide identifiers should be clearly written and match exactly with the specimen ID and specimen labeling as noted on the requisition.

Storage & Transportation

Use cold pack for transport. Make sure cold pack is not in direct contact with specimen.

CPT Code(s)*

88342 x 1 or 88341 x 1

New York Approved

Yes

Level of Service

Stain Only

Turnaround Time

24 hours

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