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| **Analysis :** | Immunological assessment of complement component Factor B |
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| **Method :** | Nephelometry |
| **Minimum amount of sample (1) and instructions for the collection (2), storage (3) and transport of the sample (4) :** | |
| * 1 : 0.5 mL * 2 : plasma EDTA * 3 : 4 hours at room temperature or plasma at -20°C during 1 month * 4 : The sample tube is sent at room temperature and must reach the laboratory within 4 hours after collection, on Monday to Friday, before 4 p.m.   If this is not possible, please centrifuge and separate the plasma, freeze at -20°C in two aliquots, and ship frozen. | |
| **Denied requests :** | |
| * Incomplete or missing request form. * Samples delivered after poor transport / storage conditions (broken or open tubes, degraded sample, etc.). * Duplicate samples (multiple samples collected the same day for the same patient). * The request for the analysis doesn’t correspond to the analysis(es) performed by the reference center. | |
| **Turnaround time (necessary time to perform the analysis and to send the validated results to the prescriber) :** | |
| * Average turnaround time : 3 to 17 days * Adaptation of the time required to carry out the test in case of emergency (cf. checkbox at the end of the analysis request form). | |