

# REFERENCE RANGES

## MKSAP® 18

U.S. traditional units are followed in parentheses by equivalent values expressed in S.I. units.

### Hematology

**Absolute neutrophil count**—greater than 1500/ $\mu\text{L}$  ( $1.50 \times 10^9/\text{L}$ )  
**Activated partial thromboplastin time**—25–35 s  
**D-dimer**—less than 0.5  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  (0.5  $\text{mg}/\text{L}$ )  
**Erythrocyte count**— $4.2\text{-}5.9 \times 10^6/\mu\text{L}$  ( $4.2\text{-}5.9 \times 10^{12}/\text{L}$ )  
**Erythrocyte sedimentation rate**  
    Male—0–15 mm/h  
    Female—0–20 mm/h  
**Erythropoietin**—5–36 mU/ $\text{mL}$  (5–36 U/L)  
**Haptoglobin**, serum—50–150 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (500–1500 mg/L)  
**Hematocrit**  
    Male—41%–51%  
    Female—36%–47%  
**Hemoglobin**, blood  
    Male—14–17 g/ $\text{dL}$  (140–170 g/L)  
    Female—12–16 g/ $\text{dL}$  (120–160 g/L)  
**Leukocyte count**—4000–10,000/ $\mu\text{L}$  ( $4.0\text{-}10 \times 10^9/\text{L}$ )  
**Mean corpuscular hemoglobin**—28–32 pg  
**Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration**—32–36 g/ $\text{dL}$  (320–360 g/L)  
**Mean corpuscular volume**—80–100 fL  
**Platelet count**—150,000–450,000/ $\mu\text{L}$  ( $150\text{-}450 \times 10^9/\text{L}$ )  
**Prothrombin time**—11–13 s  
**Reticulocyte count**—0.5%–1.5% of erythrocytes; absolute: 23,000–90,000/ $\mu\text{L}$  ( $23\text{-}90 \times 10^9/\text{L}$ )

### Blood, Plasma, and Serum Chemistry Studies

**Albumin**, serum—3.5–5.5 g/ $\text{dL}$  (35–55 g/L)  
**Alkaline phosphatase**, serum—36–92 U/L  
 **$\alpha$ -Fetoprotein**, serum—0.6–6.6 ng/ $\text{mL}$  (0.6–6.6  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ )  
**Aminotransferase, alanine (ALT)**—0–35 U/L  
**Aminotransferase, aspartate (AST)**—0–35 U/L  
**Ammonia**, plasma—40–80  $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$  (23–47  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$ )  
**Amylase**, serum—0–130 U/L  
**Bilirubin**, serum  
    Total—0.3–1.2 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (5.1–20.5  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$ )  
    Direct—0–0.3 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (0–5.1  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$ )  
**Blood gases**, arterial (ambient air)  
    pH—7.38–7.44  
     $\text{PCO}_2$ —35–45 mm Hg (4.7–6.0 kPa)  
     $\text{PO}_2$ —80–100 mm Hg (10.6–13.3 kPa)  
    Oxygen saturation—95% or greater  
**Blood urea nitrogen**—8–20 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (2.9–7.1 mmol/L)  
**B-type natriuretic peptide level**  
    Heart failure unlikely—less than 100 pg/ $\text{mL}$  (100 ng/L)  
    Heart failure likely—greater than 400 pg/ $\text{mL}$  (400 ng/L)  
**Calcium**, serum—9–10.5 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (2.2–2.6 mmol/L)  
**Carbon dioxide**, serum—See Bicarbonate  
**Chloride**, serum—98–106 mEq/L (98–106 mmol/L)  
**Complement**, serum  
    C3—55–120 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (550–1200 mg/L)  
    C4—10–40 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (100–400 mg/L)  
**C-reactive protein, blood**—0–0.8 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (0–8.0 mg/L)  
**Cardiovascular risk prediction**  
    Low risk—less than 1.0 mg/L  
    Average risk—1.0–3.0 mg/L  
    High risk—greater than 3.0 mg/L

**Creatine kinase**, serum—30–170 U/L

**Creatinine**, serum—0.7–1.3 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (61.9–115  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$ )

**Electrolytes**, serum

    Sodium—136–145 mEq/L (136–145 mmol/L)

    Potassium—3.5–5.0 mEq/L (3.5–5.0 mmol/L)

    Chloride—98–106 mEq/L (98–106 mmol/L)

    Bicarbonate—23–28 mEq/L (23–28 mmol/L)

**Fibrinogen**, plasma—150–350 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (1.5–3.5 g/L)

**Folate**, serum—4.0–20 ng/ $\text{mL}$  (9.1–45.3 nmol/L)

**Glucose**, plasma—fasting, 70–100 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (3.9–5.6 mmol/L)

**$\gamma$ -Glutamyltransferase**, serum—0–30 U/L

**Immunoglobulins**

**Globulins, total**—2.5–3.5 g/ $\text{dL}$  (25–35 g/L)

    IgG—640–1430 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (6.4–14.3 g/L)

    IgA—70–300 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (0.7–3.0 g/L)

    IgM—20–140 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (0.2–1.4 g/L)

    IgD—less than 8 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (80 mg/L)

    IgE—0–90 U/ $\text{mL}$  (0–90 kU/L)

**Iron studies**

**Ferritin**, serum—15–200 ng/ $\text{mL}$  (15–200  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ )

**Iron**, serum—60–160  $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$  (11–29  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$ )

**Iron-binding capacity, total (TIBC)**, serum—250–460  $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$  (45–82  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{L}$ )

**Transferrin saturation**—20%–50% (serum iron  $\div$  TIBC  $\times$  100)

**Lactate dehydrogenase**, serum—60–100 U/L

**Lactate**, plasma—0.5–2.2 mEq/L (0.5–2.2 mmol/L)

**Lipase**, serum—13–60 U/L

**Magnesium**, serum—1.5–2.4 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (0.62–0.99 mmol/L)

**Osmolality**, serum—275–295 mOsm/kg  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$

**Phosphatase, alkaline**, serum—36–92 U/L

**Phosphorus**, serum—3.0–4.5 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (0.97–1.45 mmol/L)

**Prostate-specific antigen**, serum—less than 4 ng/mL (4  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ )

**Protein**, serum

**Total**—6.0–7.8 g/ $\text{dL}$  (60–78 g/L)

**Albumin**—3.5–5.5 g/ $\text{dL}$  (35–55 g/L)

**Globulins, total**—2.5–3.5 g/ $\text{dL}$  (25–35 g/L)

**Rheumatoid factor**—less than 40 U/ $\text{mL}$  (40 kU/L)

**Triglycerides**—less than 150 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (1.69 mmol/L), desirable

**Troponins**, serum

**Troponin I**—0–0.1 ng/ $\text{mL}$  (0–0.1  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ )

**Troponin T**—0–0.1 ng/ $\text{mL}$  (0–0.1  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ )

**Urate**, serum

    Male—3.7–8.6 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (0.22–0.50 mmol/L)

    Female—2.4–5.8 mg/ $\text{dL}$  (0.14–0.34 mmol/L)

**Vitamin B<sub>12</sub>**, serum—200–800 pg/ $\text{mL}$  (148–590 pmol/L)

### Endocrine

**Adrenocorticotrophic hormone (ACTH)**, serum—9–52 pg/ $\text{mL}$  (2–11 pmol/L)

**Aldosterone**, serum

    Supine—2–5 ng/ $\text{dL}$  (55–138 pmol/L)

    Standing—7–20 ng/ $\text{dL}$  (194–554 pmol/L)

**Aldosterone**, urine—5–19  $\mu\text{g}/24\text{ h}$  (13.9–52.6 nmol/24 h)

**Catecholamines, fractionated**, urine

**Epinephrine**—2–24  $\mu\text{g}/24\text{ h}$  (10.92–131.04 nmol/24 h)

**Norepinephrine**—15–100  $\mu\text{g}/24\text{ h}$  (88.65–591 nmol/24 h)

**Dopamine**—52–480  $\mu\text{g}/24\text{ h}$  (339.56–3134.4 nmol/24 h)

**Cortisol, free**, urine—less than 50 µg/24 h (138 nmol/24 h)

**Cortisol, serum, morning**—5-25 µg/dL (138-690 nmol/L)

**Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate (DHEAS)**, plasma

- Male—1.3-5.5 µg/mL (3.5-14.9 µmol/L)
- Female—0.6-3.3 µg/mL (1.6-8.9 µmol/L)

**Epinephrine**, plasma (supine)—less than 75 ng/L (410 pmol/L)

**Estradiol**, serum

- Male—10-30 pg/mL (37-110 pmol/L)
- Female—day 1-10, 14-27 pg/mL (50-100 pmol/L); day 11-20, 14-54 pg/mL (50-200 pmol/L); day 21-30, 19-41 pg/mL (70-150 pmol/L)

**Follicle-stimulating hormone**, serum

- Male (adult)—5-15 mU/mL (5-15 U/L)
- Female—follicular or luteal phase, 5-20 mU/mL (5-20 U/L); midcycle peak, 30-50 mU/mL (30-50 U/L); postmenopausal, greater than 35 mU/mL (35 U/L)

**Growth hormone**, plasma—after oral glucose, less than 2 ng/mL (2 µg/L); response to provocative stimuli, greater than 7 ng/mL (7 µg/L)

**Hemoglobin A<sub>1c</sub>**, blood—less than 5.7%

**Luteinizing hormone**, serum

- Male—3-15 mU/mL (3-15 U/L)
- Female—follicular or luteal phase, 5-22 mU/mL (5-22 U/L); midcycle peak, 30-250 mU/mL (30-250 U/L); postmenopausal, greater than 30 mU/mL (30 U/L)

**Metanephrides, fractionated, urine**

**Metanephrine, unconjugated**—90-315 µg/24 h (456-1597 nmol/24 h)

**Normetanephrine**—122-676 µg/24 h (666-3691 nmol/24 h)

**Metanephrides, total**—224-832 µg/24 h (1136-4218 nmol/24 h)

**Metanephrides, fractionated, plasma**

**Metanephrine, free**—less than or equal to 57 pg/mL (0.2964 nmol/L)

**Normetanephrine, free**—less than or equal to 148 pg/mL (0.8288 nmol/L)

**Metanephrides, total**—less than or equal to 205 pg/mL (1.066 nmol/L)

**Parathyroid hormone**, serum—10-65 pg/mL (10-65 ng/L)

**Progesterone**, blood

- Male (adult)—0.27-0.9 ng/mL (0.9-2.9 nmol/L)
- Female—follicular phase, 0.33-1.20 ng/mL (1.0-3.8 nmol/L); luteal phase, 0.72-17.8 ng/mL (2.3-56.6 nmol/L); postmenopausal, less than 0.2-1 ng/mL (0.6-3.18 nmol/L); oral contraceptives, 0.34-0.92 ng/mL (1.1-2.9 nmol/L)

**Prolactin**, serum

- Male—less than 15 ng/mL (15 µg/L)
- Female—less than 20 ng/mL (20 µg/L)

**Testosterone, total**, serum

- Male (adult)—300-1200 ng/dL (10-42 nmol/L)
- Female—20-75 ng/dL (0.7-2.6 nmol/L)

**Thyroid iodine (<sup>131</sup>I) uptake**—10%-30% of administered dose at 24 h

**Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)**—0.5-5.0 µU/mL (0.5-5.0 mU/L)

**Thyroxine (T<sub>4</sub>)**

- Total**, serum—5-12 µg/dL (64-155 nmol/L)
- Free**—0.9-2.4 ng/dL (12-31 pmol/L)
- Free T<sub>4</sub> index**—4-11

### Triiodothyronine (T<sub>3</sub>)

**Total**, serum—70-195 ng/dL (1.1-3.0 nmol/L)  
**Free**—3.6-5.6 ng/L (5.6-8.6 pmol/L)

### Vitamin D

**1,25-dihydroxy**, serum—25-65 pg/mL (60-156 pmol/L)  
**25-hydroxy**, serum—31-80 ng/mL (77-200 nmol/L)

### Urine

**Albumin-creatinine ratio**—less than 30 mg/g  
**Calcium**—100-300 mg/24 h (2.5-7.5 mmol/24 h) on unrestricted diet  
**Creatinine**—15-25 mg/kg per 24 h (133-221 mmol/kg/24 h)  
**Glomerular filtration rate (GFR)**

**Categories of Chronic Kidney Disease (from KDIGO)**

Stage G1—greater than or equal to 90 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>
Stage G2—60-89 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>
Stage G3a—45-59 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>
Stage G3b—30-44 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>
Stage G4—15-29 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>
Stage G5—less than 15 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>

### Albuminuria categories

A1 (Normal)—less than 30 mg/g  
A2 (Moderately increased)—30-300 mg/g  
A3 (Severely increased)—greater than 300 mg/g

**Protein-creatinine ratio**—less than or equal to 150 mg/g  
**Uric acid**—250-750 mg/24 h (1.48-4.43 mmol/24 h)  
(varies with diet)

### Pulmonary

**Forced expiratory volume in 1 second (FEV<sub>1</sub>)**—greater than 80% of predicted  
**Forced vital capacity (FVC)**—greater than 80% of predicted  
**FEV<sub>1</sub>/FVC**—greater than 0.70

### Cerebrospinal Fluid

**Cell count**—0-5/µL (0.5 × 10<sup>6</sup>/L)  
**Glucose**—40-80 mg/dL (2.2-4.4 mmol/L); less than 40% of simultaneous plasma concentration is abnormal  
**Pressure (opening)**—70-200 mm H<sub>2</sub>O  
**Protein**—15-60 mg/dL (150-600 mg/L)

### Hemodynamic Measurements

**Cardiac index**—2.5-4.2 L/min/m<sup>2</sup>  
**Left ventricular ejection fraction**—greater than 55%  
**Pressures**

- Pulmonary artery**
  - Systolic—20-25 mm Hg
  - Diastolic—5-10 mm Hg
  - Mean—9-16 mm Hg
- Pulmonary capillary wedge**—6-12 mm Hg
- Right atrium**—mean 0-5 mm Hg
- Right ventricle**
  - Systolic—20-25 mm Hg
  - Diastolic—0-5 mm Hg