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## Test Update B-type Natriuretic Peptide (BNP) Method Change

Effective Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011, the UCH Clinical Laboratory will modify its current BNP assay so that patient results will compare more closely with results obtained by other BNP methods.

Patient samples will demonstrate a decrease of approximately 20% in BNP values. This decrease in recovery will improve the validity of the current BNP reference range of 0 to 100 pg/mL.

There will be no changes to reference range, current sample type or order names.

Please call Ron Lepoff, M.D. at 720-848-7044 if you have any questions or visit our website at <http://www.uch.edu/for-healthcare-professional/Clinical-Laboratory/index.aspx> for additional information.

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