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Test Update
Prothrombin Time Correction (PT CORR),
Lupus Sensitive APTT (LSAPTT),
Lupus Sensitive APTT Correction (LSAPTT CORR), and
Fibrin Degradation Products (FDP)
Discontinuation

Effective September 1, 2009 the following tests will no longer be provided by the University of Colorado Hospital Clinical Laboratory: Prothrombin Time Correction, Lupus Sensitive APTT, Lupus Sensitive APTT Correction, and Fibrin Degradation Products.

The Prothrombin Time Correction does not clearly distinguish patients with coagulation factor deficiencies, and is therefore no longer offered.

The Lupus Anticoagulant Panel (LUPUSPANEL) is recommended as a replacement for the LSAPTT as it combines two tests, the Russell Viper Venom Time Test (RVVT) and Hexagonal Phospholipid Neutralization (HEXPHOSNEU), to better evaluate the presence of a lupus anticoagulant.

The D-Dimer assay is recommended to replace the Fibrin Degradation Product (FDP) test to rule out pulmonary embolism and deep vein thrombosis (DVT).

Please call Stuart Lind, MD at 303-724-1383 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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