

## Gastroenterology Ascites Fluid Analysis

### Pre-Procedure

Order serum platelet, INR and PTT if not done in the last 5 days. Order type and screen if not previously done and patient is requiring plasma or platelets

- US Paracentesis  
Note if requesting diagnostic or therapeutic

### Ascites Fluid

- Albumin, Body Fluid  
Once, Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum
- Amylase, Body Fluid  
Once, Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum
- Bilirubin, Total, Body Fluid  
Once, Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum

### Cell Count, Body Fluid -- Peritoneum

Once, First occurrence today at 1416  
Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum

- Glucose, Body Fluid  
Once, Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum
- Lactate Dehydrogenase (LD), Body Fluid  
Once, Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum
- Lipase, Body Fluid  
Once, Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum
- Non-Gynecological Cytology  
Peritoneal Fluid
- Protein Total, Body Fluid  
Once, Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum
- Triglycerides, Body Fluid  
Once, Peritoneal Fluid, Peritoneum
- Microbiology Panel

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### Fluid Culture, Routine --

Once, First occurrence today at 1417  
Ascites fluid

## Etiology Analysis - Serum (to be collected within 1 hour of ascites fluid sample)

- Albumin
- Total Protein
- Amylase
- Glucose, Random
- Lactate Dehydrogenase (LD)
- Lipase

## Post-Procedure

- Drain Care
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Until discontinued, starting today at 1422, Until Specified  
Other: if ascites fluid bloody, cloudy or milky

- Plasma Protein Product Albumin 25% Panel
- Nursing Communication - Record total fluid drained and albumin given on paracentesis flowsheet
- Remove Drains / Tubes  
Remove drain after drainage procedure complete. Confirm non-locking catheter prior to drain removal
- Dressing Instructions:  
Apply glue stitch and/or dressing to site after drain removal