



## Porter Hospital Laboratory

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# TEST UPDATE

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## C-reactive Protein – Quantitative

Beginning June 28, 2010, Porter Hospital Laboratory will begin in-house testing for quantitative C-reactive Protein (CRP) which is currently performed at Fletcher Allen Health Care.

The new testing will be performed on the Siemens Dimension X-pand® platform using the Dimension® CRP method. C-Reactive Protein levels are used to indicate the presence of an inflammatory process that may be caused by bacterial infection or physiological response.

**Method:** The CRP method used on the Dimension® clinical chemistry system is an *in vitro* diagnostic test intended for the quantitative determination of C-Reactive Protein in human serum and heparinized plasma.

**Expected values:** Less than or equal to 0.9 mg/dl

<b>Ordering specifics:</b>	<b>Test Name:</b>	CRP – Quant
	<b>Sample Requirements:</b>	Gel/Red/or Green Top Tube
	<b>Volume Required:</b>	0.5 ml serum or plasma
	<b>Minimum Volume:</b>	0.2 ml. serum or plasma
	<b>Days Performed:</b>	Daily
	<b>Analytical Time:</b>	Same Day
	<b>CPT Code:</b>	86140
	<b>Price:</b>	\$43.00