

Learn more about Lab test and results

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Websites

cap.org/apps/docs/reference/myBiopsy/index2.html The members of the *College of American Pathologists* have developed MyBiopsy, which contains individual patient information sheets on a variety of cancer and cancer-related diseases. Each sheet provides an explanation of the role of the pathologist, a glossary of terms and images of diseased and normal tissues.

healthcheckusa.com/Find-a-Blood-Test/46823 *HealthCheckUSA* provides people with the ability to access blood tests for multiple conditions and diseases without a physician's referral. To learn which tests are right for you, browse by category or test name.

labtestsonline.org *Lab Tests Online* includes a listing of tests, brief information on diseases and medical conditions and the tests used for each, recommendations on preventive screening, news about technology that has an impact on diagnostic lab testing, and feature-length articles on topics related to laboratory testing.

questdiagnostics.com/home/patients *Quest Diagnostics* has organized information about lab tests under "Diagnostic Testing A-Z." Learn about how prepare yourself or your child for a test and what to do to get the most from your next doctor visit.

nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/laboratorytests.html *MedlinePlus Laboratory Tests* provides descriptions of many common lab tests under "Specific Conditions." Learn why lab tests are part of routine exams. Some articles are translated into several languages.

Local resources

ACL Laboratories, 8901 W. Lincoln Avenue, West Allis, WI, 800-877-7016. ACL Laboratories is a full-service laboratory servicing the needs of the medical community. Services include, but are not limited to: phlebotomy, therapeutic drug monitoring, drug abuse testing, hematology, microbiology, clinical chemistry, biological and environmental testing, cytology, histology, immunohistochemistry, immunohematology, endocrinology, mycology, parasitology, serology, molecular diagnostics and special studies on request.

Your *Aurora librarian* can send you information from reliable resources at no charge. Aurora Libraries are located at: Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center, 414-649-7356; Aurora Sinai Medical Center, 414-219-6710; Aurora West Allis Medical Center, 414-328-7910, all in Milwaukee; Aurora BayCare Medical Center in Green Bay, 920-288-3058; Aurora Medical Center in Oshkosh, 920-456-7039; Aurora Medical Center in Summit, 262-434-1070; and Aurora Medical Center in Grafton, 262-329-1025.

Books

A Consumer's Guide to Laboratory Tests by Mary C. Ricotta, PhD, Prometheus Books, 2005, ISBN 9781591022473, \$22.98. This book explains, in nontechnical language, many types of tests that hospitals and clinics perform, what part of the body is being tested and what the results mean.

LabNotes: Guide to Lab & Diagnostic Tests by Tracey B. Hopkins, FA Davis, 2009, ISBN 9780803621381 \$26.95. This book covers more than 400 lab and diagnostic tests and includes patient education guidelines and tips.

Mosby's Diagnostic and Laboratory Test Reference by Kathleen Pagana, 2012, ISBN 9780323084680 \$51.95. This alphabetical book provides detailed and reliable information about many lab tests and includes information to share with patients.

Books on this topic are available for checkout from Aurora Libraries and may be available at your public library.