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**BIOCHEMISTRY REPORT**  
**Catecholamines, 24 Hr Urine**

**CATECHOLAMINES FRACTIONATED, 24 HOUR URINE**  
( LCMS/MS)

Test Name	Results	Units	Bio. Ref. Interval
Epinephrine	<b>0.23</b>	µg/24 hrs	4.00 - 20.00
Norepinephrine	33.01	µg/24 hrs	23.00 - 105.00
Dopamine	254.52	µg/24 hrs	62.00 - 444.00
Total Volume	2520	ML	

**Note**

1. It is recommended that initial biochemical testing for Pheochromocytoma and Paraganglioma should include measurements of plasma free metanephrines or urinary fractionated metanephrines using LC-MS/MS or HPLC with ECD.
2. Many environmental factors such as noise, stress, discomfort, body position, and the consumption of food, caffeinated beverages, nicotine and certain drugs like MAO inhibitors, Catecholamine reuptake inhibitors etc may increase endogenous catecholamine production.

**Comment**

Catecholamines are important neurotransmitters in Central Nervous System and play a crucial role in autonomic regulation of many homeostatic functions. The circulating fraction of catecholamines is derived almost exclusively from Adrenal medulla with small contribution from sympathetic ganglia. Their levels increase rapidly in response to changes in posture, environmental temperature, physical and emotional stress, hypovolemia, hypotension, hypoglycemia and exercise. Urine catecholamine levels are elevated in Pheochromocytoma and Paraganglioma.

**Uses**

- As an auxillary test to fractionated plasma and urine metanephrine measurements in the diagnosis of Pheochromocytoma and Paraganglioma
- As an auxillary test to urine VMA & HVA in the diagnosis and follow up of patients with Neuroblastoma and related tumors

NOTE- \*\*This test is processed and validated at the partner lab of Redcliffe Labs.



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