ANTINUCLEAR ANTIBODIES TEST

DESCRIPTION
Antinuclear antibodies are associated with rheumatic diseases including Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE), mixed connective tissue disease, Sjogren's syndrome, scleroderma, polymyositis, CREST syndrome, and neurologic SLE.

WHY DO I NEED THIS TEST?
Approximately 30 million Americans suffer from one or more autoimmune diseases.

When testing for autoimmune diseases, an Antinuclear Antibodies Test is performed. This test screens for 150 autoantibodies that can occur in various autoimmune diseases.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GET MY LAB TEST RESULTS?
Results are typically available in 3 to 5 business days.

AM I REQUIRED TO FAST FOR THIS LAB TEST?
No. You do not need to fast for this test.

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