



Calprotectin



Calprotectin is a sensitive and specific marker for inflammation in the gastrointestinal tract.

Digestive symptoms are very common and may arise from a number of causes. In some cases, excessive inflammation can contribute to gastrointestinal distress. Testing for calprotectin can help identify and clarify the severity of inflammation in your digestive tract. If results are elevated, possible causes include infection, inflammatory bowel disease, celiac disease, or colon cancer. With an elevated result, further testing may be warranted to clarify the diagnosis and direct proper treatment. The calprotectin test may also be used to monitor your progress on an existing treatment plan.

- **Simple and Accurate**
- **Collection is noninvasive and painless**
- **Samples can be conveniently collected from your home**

The Calprotectin test can be helpful for individuals with:

- Abdominal pain
- Fatigue
- Diarrhea
- Weight loss
- Irritable bowel
- Constipation
- Flatulence
- Bloating
- Fever
- Food sensitivities



*Talk to your doctor today about your symptoms and ask whether our **Calprotectin** test can help you. Your life doesn't stop for digestive conditions, and neither should you.*

Step toward understanding your intestinal symptoms.

- **Why should I get tested?**

Calprotectin is an effective test for differentiating irritable bowel syndrome from inflammatory bowel disease. Treatment and long-term risks are different based on the condition present. Testing is most indicated for patients struggling with irritable bowel type symptoms to help understand the underlying cause.

- **How does the test work?**

Calprotectin is an abundant protein present in immune cells. Calprotectin levels increase in the stool when immune cells enter the intestinal lining during inflammatory processes. The calprotectin test uses antibodies in an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) to precisely determine the amount of calprotectin in a stool sample.

- **Why is DiagnosTechs' calprotectin test better?**

The Buhlmann Laboratories test kit used by DiagnosTechs is the most cited method in published clinical studies for measuring calprotectin. In addition, this method outperforms competitors in direct method comparison studies. Furthermore, DiagnosTechs employs a precision stool extraction method shown to be far superior to automated devices used by most laboratories.

- **A little more technical:**

Elevated fecal calprotectin may occur in inflammatory bowel disease, diverticulitis, celiac disease, gastrointestinal infections, NSAID-induced enteropathy, and colon cancer. In patients with symptoms of more severe irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), your clinician may be concerned about the possibility of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). Calprotectin is a useful test to help differentiate between IBS and IBD. Calprotectin also may be used to monitor treatment efficacy for patients diagnosed with IBD.

Insist on making the choice today for a healthier lifestyle with noninvasive testing from DiagnosTechs!

Ask your physician about additional test panels available from DiagnosTechs:



Adrenal Stress Index Panel



Bone Health Panel



Calprotectin



Cycling Female Hormone Panels



Food Panel



Gastrointestinal Health Panels



Male Hormone Panels



Peri- & Postmenopause Panels

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