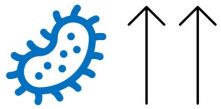


Procalcitonin



Elevated in
bacterial
infection

< 0.25 ng/mL

low probability bacterial
infection

> 0.5 ng/mL

likely bacterial

↓ >80% from peak

supports stopping antibiotics



Best for respiratory tract infections and
critically ill patients



Interpret within clinical context



Trending values more helpful



Use to STOP, not start antibiotics



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