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- SUBJECT: Urine Myoglobin Assay Discontinued
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As of 1/16/12, URMC Labs will no longer offer the Urine Myoglobin assay. While urine myoglobin measurement is increased in rhabdomyolysis, its detection is technically complex and the assay has a poor turnaround time. The current standard of care is serum creatine kinase. This action has been approved by the directors of the Medical and Surgical critical care units. Any questions can be directed to Dr. Richard Burack.