

**PROSTATE CANCER GENE 3**  
12479/LAB12479

**QUICK REFERENCE**

LabCorp has shared that, effective immediately, the Prostate cancer gene 3 assay (12479/LAB12479) is no longer available.

**DETAILS**

The suggested replacement test is the PCA3 – Prostate cancer biomarker by TMA assay.

<b>Test name:</b>	PCA3 - Prostate cancer biomarker by TMA
<b>Test number:</b>	994
<b>Excellian order number:</b>	LAB994
<b>Abbreviation:</b>	MSO
<b>Alternate names:</b>	Prostate cancer Ag 3 Prostate cancer antigen 3
<b>Useful for:</b>	The PCA3 test may be useful, in conjunction with other patient information, to aid in the decision for repeat biopsy in men 50 years of age or older who have had one or more negative prostate biopsies and for whom a repeat biopsy would be recommended by a urologist based on current standard of care.
<b>Limitations:</b>	This test should not be used for men with a result of Atypical Small Acinar Proliferation (ASAP) on their most recent biopsy. Performance has not been established in men who undergo a repeat biopsy less than 3 months or more than 7 years after their most recent negative biopsy. The effect of medications known to influence serum PSA levels or therapeutic and/or diagnostic procedures such as prostatectomy, radiation, or prostate biopsy that may impact the viability of prostatic tissue and PCA3 Score have not been evaluated.

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