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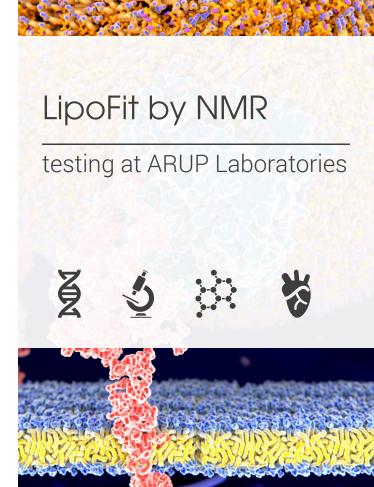
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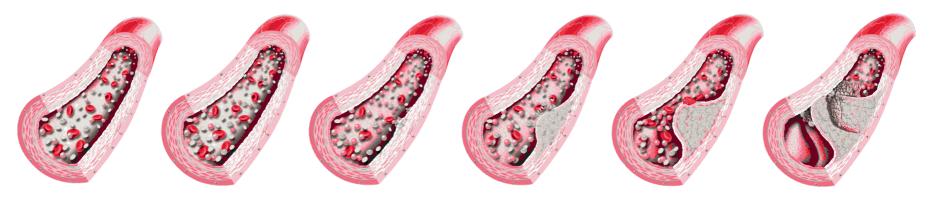
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LDL particles binding to LDL receptors on the cell membrane.





# Every 34 seconds, one person in the U.S. dies from cardiovascular disease.<sup>1</sup>

LipoFit by NMR is a competitive alternative to lipid particle analysis tests. High-resolution nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) technology is used to measure a patient's lipoprotein particle number and size.

### HOW ARE LIPOPROTEIN PARTICLE NUMBER AND SIZE RELATED TO CARDIOVASCULAR EVENTS?

Research studies have demonstrated that individuals with a high number of small low-density lipoprotein (LDL) particles have a greater cardiovascular disease (CVD) risk than those with fewer but larger LDL particles for a given total cholesterol concentration. Even among LDL particles, small dense LDL may be more atherogenic than large LDL.<sup>2</sup>

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF LIPID PARTICLE TESTING AT ARUP?

- Testing is performed seven days per week
- Enhanced graphical reports are available for both tests
- Extended refrigerated specimen stability (30 day stability for ARUP test code 2013715)

#### WHEN TO ORDER TESTING?

Lipid particle analysis testing may be to useful to quide therapy in appropriate high-risk patients with:

- Type 2 diabetes mellitus
- Metabolic syndrome
- Elevated triglycerides

It is not recommended to routinely order lipid particle analysis as screening tests for cardiovascular disease.

#### LABORATORY TESTING AT ARUP

#### **Test Name and Code**

LipoFit by NMR (2013716)

**Methodology:** Quantitative Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy/Quantitative Enzymatic Assay/Detergent Solubilization

LipoFit by NMR, Particle Count Only (2013715)

**Methodology:** Quantitative Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy

#### THREE EASY STEPS FOR QUALITY RESULTS

#### 1. Patient fasting is required.

 12-hour fasting recommended: Elevated triglycerides can interfere with accurate measurements of lipoprotein particle size and number by NMR.

#### 2. Use the appropriate collection tube.

- Greiner Bio-One Clot Activator Tubes (ARUP supply #54325) or plain red top serum tubes (BD or Greiner) are acceptable.
- BD serum separator tubes are not acceptable:
  Use of incompatible tubes can lead to quantitative interferences and/or inability to report results.
- Tube type compatibility for LipoFit is similar to alternative NMR-based assays.
- Transfer 4 mL serum to an ARUP standard transport tube (minimum 2 mL required).

## \$229 billion

Heart disease costs the U.S. approximately \$229 billion annually from healthcare services, medications, lost productivity, and other expenses.<sup>1</sup>

There are 805,000 myocardial infarctions (heart attacks) annually in the United States.<sup>1</sup>

