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**Important laboratory information:
Change of method for determination of cystine in urine as of 01.011.2024**

Dear Sir or Madam,

This letter is to inform you that we will be changing the method for the determination of cystine in 24-hour urine on 1 November 2024.

Within the scope of the method changeover from the previous photometric measurement to the more modern LC-MS/MS* method, the reference ranges for the evaluation of the results as well as the price of the analysis will change.

If you use remote laboratory data transmission (RDT), please note that new assignments may be required in your physician or hospital information system due to the changed analysis abbreviation.

	Analysis abbreviation OLD	Analysis abbreviation NEW
Cystine i. U. (concentration)	CYSTINUK	CYSTUM
Cystine i. U. (24h)	CYSTINU24	CYSTSU

New reference ranges:

- < 10 years: < 55µmol/1.73m²/24h
- > 10 years: < 200µmol/1.73m²/24h
- > 18 years: < 800µmol/24h
- > 800 µmol/24h: Indication of cystinuria

Source: Urolithiasis guideline 2018

We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your understanding. If you have any questions, please do contact:

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Your sincerely,

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* LC-MS/MS: Liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry