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## Parathyroid Hormone (PTH)

Intact Parathyroid Hormone **8.9 H** pmol/L 1.6 - 6.9

### Comments

Elevated PTH levels causing hypercalcaemia are seen in primary hyperparathyroidism. PTH levels may also be elevated in chronic renal failure associated with hyperphosphataemia and secondary or tertiary hyperparathyroidism. Mild renal failure alone does not elevate intact PTH. Elevated PTH levels may also be associated with vitamin D deficiency states, anticonvulsant therapy and pseudohypoparathyroidism.

High dose biotin, as may be used in the treatment of Multiple Sclerosis, can interfere in the Roche PTH assay. If the patient is on high dose biotin (>5 mg/day) please contact the laboratory on 07 3377 8530.

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