



HYDROGEN / METHANE BREATH TEST

TESTS PERFORMED ONLY AT SELECT WESTERN DIAGNOSTIC CENTRES &
REQUIRE A BOOKING VIA GASTROLAB

Ph Bookings: 1300 624 771 **Fax Bookings:** (03) 9331 4198

HOME BREATH TEST KITS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE VIA GASTROLAB'S WEBSITE

PATIENT

Name

Contact Phone

REFERRING DOCTOR

Name

Address

..... Post Code

Phone

Fax

Signature

Date

Copy results to

HYDROGEN/METHANE BREATH TEST

ALL TESTS START AT 9AM

Fructose Date.....

Lactose Date.....

Sorbitol Date.....

Sucrose Date.....

Mannitol Date.....

Lactulose Date.....

&

Glucose Date.....
(for small bowel bacterial overgrowth)

GASTROLAB CLINIC LOCATIONS

We are located at the following
WESTERN DIAGNOSTIC PATHOLOGY
centres:

MOUNT HAWTHORN

391 Oxford St

**Visit website gastrolab.com.au
for full clinic details.**

PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF →

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PATIENT INFORMATION

This is a painless and non-invasive test which diagnoses these gut disorders known to cause Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) symptoms:


- Malabsorption of FODMAPs & sugars
(eg. fructose, lactose, sorbitol, mannitol & sucrose)
- Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO)

Each test:

- Starts at 9am and takes up to 3hrs (late arrivals may be refused testing)
- Needs to be done on a separate day
- Requires pre-test preparations (see next panel ➔)
- Has an out of pocket cost which is payable on the day by EFTPOS, VISA or Mastercard only. Cash not accepted.
There is no Medicare rebate. Cost is non-refundable.

Tests are safe in children and in pregnancy. If your child is under 35kg body weight, advise booking staff. This is a fasting test, for diabetics consult your doctor on how to best manage your diabetes during the test.

CONTACT DETAILS

 **1300 624 771** (Mon-Fri 8:30am - 5pm)

W: gastrolab.com.au

E: enquiries@gastrolab.com.au

NOTE

Late cancellations (ie. within 24hrs) and no-shows will incur a cancellation fee equivalent to the cost of the test.

PRE-TEST PREPARATION

You must follow these instructions before each test to ensure reliable results. This will be verified on the day in order for your test to proceed.

A) 2 Weeks before test:

- × NO oral and IV antibiotics
(skin creams, eye and ear drops are OK).
- × NO colonoscopy or barium meal enema procedures.

B) 1 Full Day before test:

- × RESTRICT milk & dairy products.
Lactose-free milk, soy/rice/almond/coconut milk are OK.
- × RESTRICT canned & dried fruit, fruit juices, soft drinks and honey.
- × RESTRICT high fibre foods (beans, oats, corn).
- × NO fibre supplements & NO laxatives.

We recommend a meal containing rice and meat the evening before your test (or rice and vegetables for vegetarians).

A sample meal plan is available on our website.

All other foods and medications can be eaten as per normal

C) FAST from 9pm the night before test:

You may continue to drink plain water leading up to the test.

D) On the Morning of test:

NO Smoking, continue to fast and no physical exercise for 1hr prior.
You may drink plain water during your test.

Seating is limited to patients only with the exception of parents and carers. Please refrain from bringing visitors.