

QUESTION

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| Test | Result | Reference Range |
|----------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Albumin | 2.5 g/dL | 3.5-5.0 g/dL |
| Bilirubin | 3.5 mg/dL | 0.1-1.2 mg/dL |
| ALT | 120 U/L | 0-40 U/L |
| AST | 150 U/L | 0-40 U/L |
| Alkaline phosphatase | 300 U/L | 40-120 U/L |
| Gamma-GT | 250 U/L | 0-60 U/L |
| Prothrombin time | 18 seconds | 11-14 seconds |
| INR | 1.8 | 0.8-1.2 |
| PTAP | 1.2 | 0.1-0.3 |
| PTAP/AP | 0.4 | 0.1-0.3 |
| PTAP/PT | 0.67 | 0.1-0.3 |
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