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Cytomegalovirus Antibodies, IgG and IgM

CMV PAN

**Specimen Required:** Collect: Serum Separator Tube (SST)

Specimen Preparation: Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature. **Separate from** cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 2 mL serum to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL) Parallel testing is preferred and convalescent specimens **must** be received within 30 days from receipt of the acute specimens.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Remarks: **Label specimens plainly as “acute” or “convalescent.”**

Unacceptable Conditions: Plasma or urine. Contaminated, hemolyzed, or heat-inactivated specimens.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation from cells: Ambient: 48 hours; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 year (avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles)