TEST CHANGE

Bartonella quintana Antibody, IgM by IFA

0050093, QUINT M

Specimen Requirements:	
Patient Preparation:	
Collect:	Serum separator tube.
Specimen Preparation:	Separate serum from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 1 mL serum to an ARUP standard transport tube. ~~Standard Transport Tube.~~ (Min: 0.4~~3~~ mL) Parallel testing is preferred and convalescent specimens must be received within 30 days from receipt of the acute specimens. Mark specimens plainly as acute or convalescent.
Transport Temperature:	Refrigerated.
Unacceptable Conditions:	Contaminated, hemolyzed, or severely lipemic specimens.
Remarks:	
Stability:	After separation from cells: Ambient: 48 hours; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 year (avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles)
Methodology:	Semi-Quantitative Indirect Fluorescent Antibody (IFA)
Performed:	Mon, Thu
Reported:	1-8 days
Note:	
CPT Codes:	86611
New York DOH Approval Status:	This test is New York DOH approved.

Interpretive Data:

The presence of IgM antibodies suggests recent infection. Low levels of IgM antibodies may occasionally persist for more than 12 months post infection. ~~-infection.~~

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Reference Interval:

< 1:16 Negative - No significant level of *Bartonella quintana* IgM antibody detected.
≥ 1:16 Positive - Presence of IgM antibody to *Bartonella quintana* detected, suggestive of current or recent infection.