

HOTLINE: Effective May 16, 2022

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Herpes Simplex Virus Type 1 and/or 2 Antibodies, IgM by ELISA

HSV MC

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

Specimen Preparation: Separate from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 0.5 mL serum to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.1 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."**

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions: Contaminated, heat-inactivated, hemolyzed, icteric, or severely lipemic 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)