

HOTLINE: Effective February 18, 2020

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Coxsackie B Virus Antibodies

COX B

Specimen Required: Collect: Serum Separator Tube (SST) or Plain Red.

Specimen Preparation: Separate from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 1 mL serum to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.3 mL) Parallel testing is preferred and convalescent specimens must be received within 30 days from receipt of acute specimens.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Remarks: Mark specimens plainly as "acute" or "convalescent."

Unacceptable Conditions: CSF or plasma. Contaminated, hemolyzed, or severely lipemic specimens.

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