

HOTLINE: Effective February 15, 2021

0081135 Oligoclonal Bands in CSF and Serum

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Specimen Required: Collect: CSF AND serum separator tube or plain red. Serum specimen should be drawn within 48 hours of CSF collection.

Specimen Preparation: Allow serum to clot completely at room temperature. Separate serum from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transport 1.5 mL CSF (Min: 0.7 mL) AND transfer 1 mL serum to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube (Min: 0.6 mL).

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Grossly bloody or hemolyzed specimens or severe lipemia.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 14 days; Frozen: 6 months