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**Pemphigoid Gestationis, Complement-Fixing Basement Membrane Antibodies
(Herpes Gestationis Factor)**

HG FACTOR



**Immunodermatology Required Clinical
Information Form (Serum)**

Methodology: Semi-Quantitative Complement Fixation/**Indirect Immunofluorescence (IIF)**/Semi-Quantitative Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay (**ELISA**)

Specimen Required: Collect: Plain red or serum separator tube (SST).

Specimen Preparation: Transfer 2 mL serum to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 1 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions: Hemolyzed or lipemic specimens. **Plasma.**

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 1 week; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: Indefinitely

Interpretive Data: Refer to report

Note: The methodology is indirect **immunofluorescence (IIF) with added fresh human complement** on human split skin substrate for detection of complement-fixing (herpes gestationis factor) **and noncomplement-fixing IgG basement membrane zone antibodies together with IgG BP180 antibody level determination by ELISA in serum.** For specimens less than 0.5 mL, call the Immunodermatology Laboratory at (866) 266-5699.