

**TEST CHANGE**

Contactin-Associated Protein-2 Antibody, IgG by CBA-IFA with Reflex to Titer, Serum  
2009452, CASPR2 IGG

**Specimen Requirements:**

**Patient Preparation:**

**Collect:** Serum separator tube.

**Specimen Preparation:** Separate serum from cells within 2 hours of collection.  
Transfer 1 mL serum to an ARUP standard transport tube. (Min: 0.2 mL)

**Transport Temperature:** Refrigerated.

**Unacceptable Conditions:** CSF or plasma. 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 Cell-Based Indirect Fluorescent Antibody

**Performed:** Wed

**Reported:** 1-8 days

**Note:** If CASPR2 antibody IgG is positive, then CASPR2 antibody IgG titer will be added. Additional charges apply.

**CPT Codes:** 86255; if reflexed, add 86256

**New York DOH Approval Status:** This test is New York DOH approved.

**Interpretive Data:**

Contactin-associated protein-2 (CASPR2) IgG antibody may occur as part of the voltage-gated potassium channel (VGKC) complex antibodies.

The presence of CASPR2 IgG antibody is associated with a wide spectrum of clinical manifestations, including acquired neuromyotonia, limbic encephalitis, painful neuropathy, and Morvan syndrome. Tumors such as thymoma, small cell lung cancer, and other rarer tumors may occur. The full-spectrum of clinical disorders and tumors associated with the CASPR2 IgG antibody continues to be defined. Results should be interpreted in correlation with the patient's clinical history and other laboratory findings.

This indirect fluorescent antibody assay utilizes [contactin-associated protein-2 \(CASPR2\)](#)

transfected cell lines for the detection and ~~semi-quantification~~ **semiquantification** of the CASPR2 IgG antibody.

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Reference Interval:

Less than 1:10