

HOTLINE: Effective February 1, 2021

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Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV-1/HSV-2) Subtype by PCR

HSVTYPEPCR

Specimen Required: Collect: Lavender (EDTA), pink (K₂EDTA), or serum separator tube. **OR** CSF, bronchoalveolar lavage (BAL), amniotic fluid, vesicle fluid, ocular fluid, tissue. **OR** endocervical specimen in ThinPrep Pap Test media.

Specimen Preparation: Separate plasma or serum from cells. Transfer 1 mL plasma, serum, CSF, BAL, amniotic fluid, ocular fluid or ThinPrep specimen to a sterile container. (Min: 0.5 mL)

Tissue: Transfer to a sterile container and freeze immediately.

Vesicle fluid: Transfer to viral transport media (ARUP supply #12884). Available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Frozen.

Remarks: **Specimen source required.**

Unacceptable Conditions: Heparinized specimens, **tissues in optimal cutting temperature compound.**

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): **Tissue:** Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: 3 months

All others: Ambient: 8 hours; Refrigerated: 72 hours; Frozen: 3 months