

HOTLINE: Effective February 1, 2021

2013089 Human Herpesvirus 8 (HHV-8) by Quantitative PCR

HHV8 QNT

Specimen Required: Collect: Lavender (EDTA), Pink (K2 EDTA), or Serum Separator Tube (SST).

Specimen Preparation: Separate serum or plasma from cells. Transport 1 mL plasma, serum, or whole blood in a sterile container.

(Min: 0.5 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated.

Remarks: Specimen source required.

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Heparinized specimens, tissues in optimal cutting temperature compound. <u>Stability (collection to initiation of testing):</u> Ambient: 24 hours; Refrigerated: 1 week; Frozen: 1 year