

NEW TEST

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Merkel Cell Carcinoma Antibodies

3005983, MERK ABS

Specimen Requirements:

Patient Preparation:

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

Specimen Preparation: Separate from cells ASAP or within 4 hours of collection. Transfer 2 mL serum to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL) Test is not performed at ARUP; separate specimens must be submitted when multiple tests are ordered.

Transport Temperature: Frozen. Also acceptable: Refrigerated.

Unacceptable Conditions:

Remarks:

Stability: Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 1 week; Frozen: Indefinitely

Methodology: Multiplex Bead Assay

Performed: Varies

Reported: 21-31 days

Note: Screening for the Merkel cell polyomavirus VP1 capsid antibody is done once, on the first specimen submitted. Additional charges apply.

CPT Codes: 0058U

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

Interpretive Data:

Reference Interval:

By report

HOTLINE NOTE: Refer to the Hotline Test Mix for interface build information.