

## **Division of Laboratory Medicine**

Molecular Microbiology

# **HBV Resistance Markers**

#### **General information**

Collection container (including preservatives): CE marked leak proof container

Specimen type: EDTA blood

Specimen transport: Ambient or refrigerated

Minimum volume of sample: 3 mL

**Special precautions:** If processing is delayed, refrigeration is preferable to storage at ambient temperature. Delays of over 48hr are undesirable.

## **Laboratory information**

Measurement units: Not applicable

**Turnaround time:** The results of all tests will be available within 5-7 working days after receipt of the specimen in the laboratory, and may be available sooner by prior arrangement

### **Clinical information**

Clinical decision points: Not applicable

**Factors known to significantly affect the results:** False negative results may occur for a variety of reasons, for example inappropriate timing of sample collection, inappropriate sample, presence of virus below the detectable limit of the assay. New and emerging variants may also occur which may not be detected by this assay. Towards the limit of detection of an assay sampling variation will result in lower reproducibility.

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