

## Division of Laboratory Medicine

Virology

### HIV p24 Antigen

#### General information

**Collection container (including preservatives):** 6mL clotted blood tube

**Specimen type:** Venous Blood

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**Specimen transport:** Ambient temperature via porter, courier, Royal Mail or DX compliant with IATA packing instruction 650

**Minimum volume of sample:** 3mL

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

#### Laboratory information

**Measurement units:** pg/mL

**Turnaround time for provisional result (working days):** 4 days

**Turnaround time to final result (working days):** 6 days

#### Clinical information

**Clinical decision points:** Not applicable

**Factors known to significantly affect the results:** Not known

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