

## **Division of Laboratory Medicine**

Virology

# Hepatitis A Total antibody (IgG and IgM)

### **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: 2 mL

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

## **Laboratory information**

Turnaround time for provisional result (working days): 3 days Turnaround time to final result (working days): 4 days

#### Clinical information

Clinical decision points: Not applicable

**Factors known to significantly affect the results:** Haemolysis Assay interference and generation of anomalous results can occur when a patients' sample contains:

- Heterophile antibodies
- Animal serum products (from routine exposure to animals)
- Human mouse monoclonal antibodies (patients who receive
- Preparations of mouse monoclonal antibodies for diagnosis or therapy)

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