

Division of Laboratory Medicine

Virology

Hepatitis B virus (HBV) core antibody (Dried Blood Spot)

This service is designed for those patients on whom it is difficult to obtain venous blood, especially for intra venous drug users.

Contact the laboratory for supply of postal packs containing all necessary items for using this service. Paediatric/infant packs are available on request

General information

Collection container (including preservatives):

Envelope with desiccant

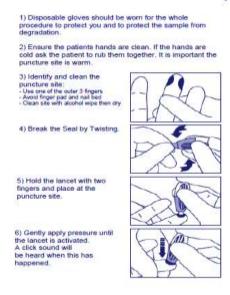


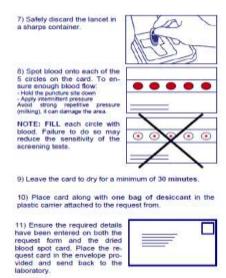


Specimen type: Dried blood spot card

Collection:

Sample Collection







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Specimen transport: No special needs

Minimum volume of sample: 7mm diameter blood spot

Special precautions: Ensure blood spot has dried and submit with desiccant pouch enclosed

Laboratory information

Measurement units: Not applicable

Biological reference units: Not applicable

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

Turnaround time to Final result (working days): 5 days

Clinical information

Clinical decision points: Not applicable

Factors known to significantly affect the results: Spots too small, not all spots filled with blood

(Last updated December 2014)