

Syphilis Confirmation including Immunoblot

General information

Collection container (including preservatives): 6mL blood tube
Clean container for CSF

Specimen type: Clotted Blood, CSF

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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: 1.5 mL blood
0.5 mL CSF

Special precautions: All samples are suitable for overnight refrigeration only, they must not be stored over a weekend

Laboratory information

Turnaround time for provisional result (working days): 5 days

Turnaround time to final result (working days): 7 days

Clinical information

Clinical decision points: Not applicable

Factors known to significantly affect the results: Haemolysis

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