

Division of Laboratory Medicine

Immunology

Cardiac muscle antibodies

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General information

Associated with Dressler's syndrome

Specimen transport: At room temperature

Repeat frequency: At significant change of clinical symptoms

Special precautions: None

Laboratory information

Normal reference range: Neg

Volume and sample type: 4ml serum

Method: Indirect immunofluorescence

Turnaround time (calendar days from sample receipt to authorised result): Median - 7

Clinical information

Indications for the test: Dressler's syndrome (after M.I. post-cardiac surgery, some cardiomyopathies and following acute rheumatic fever).

Factors affecting the test: Anti-striational muscle antibodies can cross-react between cardiac muscle and skeletal muscle by indirect immunofluorescence

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