

# **Division of Laboratory Medicine**

**Immunology** 

# **Testis antibodies**

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### **General information**

Testis antibodies are directed against various structures of the testes including seminiferous tubules and Leydig cells, and are reported in male infertility with azoospermy and following vasectomy. They are also common in idiopathic Addison's disease.

Specimen transport: At room temperature

Repeat frequency: significant change of clinical symptoms

**Special precautions:** None

## **Laboratory information**

Normal reference range: Negative

Volume and sample type: 4ml serum

Method: Immunofluorescence

Turnaround time (calendar days from sample receipt to authorised result): Median - 6, 95th percentile - 17

## **Clinical information**

Indications for the test: Infertility, endocrine polyglandular disorders

Factors affecting the test: Patients may also have adrenal, thyroid and islet cell antibodies

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