



SARS-CoV-2 (S1) IgG Antibody

Test Number: 19710 CPT Code: 86769

Synonyms	COVID-19 Serology
Use	<p>SARS-CoV-2 (S1) IgG Antibody test is an immunoassay that detects IgG antibodies that bind to the S1 domain of the spike protein of the SARS-CoV-2 virus.</p> <p>It is intended for use as an aid in identifying individuals with an adaptive immune response to SARS-CoV-2, indicating recent or prior infection.</p>
Turnaround Time	2-3 days
Specimen Requirements	
Specimen	Serum or Plasma (EDTA, heparin or citrate)
Minimum volume	0.5 mL
Collection	Standard aseptic procedures
Storage Instructions	<p>Room Temperature: 2 days</p> <p>Refrigerated: 7 days</p> <p>Frozen: 30 days</p> <p>Freeze/thaw cycles: stable for 3X</p> <p>Do not freeze samples in original collection tubes</p>
Causes for Rejection	Gross hemolysis
Limitations	<p>This assay has not been FDA cleared or approved. This test has been authorized by FDA under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).</p> <p>Negative results do not preclude acute SARS-CoV-2 infection. If acute infection is suspected, direct testing for SARS-CoV-2 is necessary. Results from antibody testing should not be used to diagnose or exclude acute SARS-CoV-2 infection. Positive results may be due to past or present infection with non-SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus strains, such as coronavirus HKU1, NL63, OC43, or 229E.</p>

Additional Information

Typically, it takes at least 10 days after the onset of symptoms for IgG levels to be detectable. A positive result indicates that an individual has likely been infected by SARS-CoV-2 and has produced an immune response. At this time, it is unknown for how long antibodies persist following infection and if the presence of antibodies confers protective immunity.

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