

HIV 1/2 Confirmatory (HIV12_CONFIRMATORY)

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TEST OVERVIEW

Test Name	HIV 1/2 Confirmatory
Test Code	HIV12_CONFIRMATORY
Short Description	HIV 1/2 Confirmatory

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Test Code	HIV12_CONFIRMATORY
Category	Serology
TAT	Main Lab: 12 Hour(s) Family Site: <12hrs
Specimen(s)	1 x Venous blood - 5 mL Tube - Gold - SST-Serum Separator Tube

SPECIMEN(S)

SST-Serum Separator Tube

Specimen Type	SST-Serum Separator Tube
Specimen Format	Tube
Specimen Colour	Gold
Specimen Volume	5 mL
Sampling Order	2
Origin	Venous blood
Collection time after baseline	-
Transport Temperature	2-8°C
Accepted Other Specimens	Lithium Heparin Plasma Serum Sodium Heparin Plasma

TAT

EDTA Plasma

Main Lab: 12 Hour(s)
Family Site: <12hrs

Test Stability

Room Temp: 2 Day(s)
2–8°C: 14 Day(s)

CLINICAL INFORMATION

HIV 1/2 Confirmatory

Methodology	-
Specimen Type	SST-Serum Separator Tube
Delay before pre-treatment	8
Transport Temperature	2-8°C
Transport Stability at room temp	2 Day
Transport Stability at 2–8°C	14 Day
Haemolysis interference	No

Clinical Interest

HIV is the etiologic agent of AIDS. HIV is transmitted by sexual contact, exposure to blood or blood products, and prenatal infection of a fetus or perinatal infection of a newborn HIV. Serology involves the detection and measurement of antibodies and antigens (P24) associated with HIV.

HIV antigens and antibodies appear and are detectable at different stages of the infection. Current diagnosis of HIV infection requires the detection of anti-HIV serum antibodies using an ELISA method. However, there is a mean period of 3 weeks between exposure and the appearance of the first antibodies.

During this period, p24 antigen may be detected in most people infected by HIV-1, whatever their geographical origin. The serology allows the simultaneous detection of both HIV-1 and HIV-2 antibodies. This assay also uses monoclonal antibodies in the reagents to detect HIV-1 p24 antigen prior to seroconversion, thereby decreasing the seroconversion window and improving early detection of HIV infection.

PATIENT INFORMATION

Clinical Information Required	-
Patient Collection Notes	-

COMMENTS & NOTES

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Yes