



Winnipeg Diagnostic Services Immunochemistry Referral Testing Services

Cold Agglutinin Titre

MB_REF-05

TEST DESCRIPTION

This test is used as a tool in the evaluation of suspected cold agglutinin syndrome. The test is not a direct measure of clinical significance and must be used in conjunction with other in vitro and in vivo parameters. The cold agglutinin test is not recommended to diagnose Mycoplasma pneumoniae infections.

SPECIMEN AND REQUISITION REQUIREMENTS

Specimen(s)

- **Adults:** Two (2) full 5-7 ml EDTA (lavender) tubes mixed thoroughly by gentle agitation.
- **Children:** One (1) full 5 ml EDTA (lavender) tube mixed thoroughly by gentle agitation.
- **Infants:** 1ml EDTA (lavender) tube mixed thoroughly by gentle agitation.
- Label specimen with the required minimum information: patient's last name, first name, PHIN or hospital number or other unique identifier, date of collection, facility name, and phlebotomist initials.

Complete Requisition (must include)

- Patient's last name, first name, date of birth and PHIN or hospital number or other unique identifier
- Facility Name
- Physician/Health Care Provider name
- Phlebotomist name, classification, initial
- Date/time of collection
- Name, facility, address, contact number of individual to whom the report will be sent

Requisition(s)

- *Request for Miscellaneous-Testing Requisition_MB*

PRE-SHIPING STORAGE

Room temperature 18-25°C

SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

Submit samples as soon as possible after collection.

Shipping

- Ship in a container that will maintain temperature at 18-25°C.
- Select shipping method for container to arrive at the testing site within 24 hours.

Note: *Protect from freezing.*

SEND TO

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