

Test Definition: HBCRQ

Hepatitis B Virus Core-Related Antigen, Quantitative, Serum

Reporting Title: HBcr Ag, Quantitative, S

Performing Location: Rochester

Ordering Guidance:

This test should be requested only in individuals with all of the following:

- -Chronic hepatitis B
- -Confirmed positive hepatitis B surface (HBs) antigen
- -Negative hepatitis B e antigen (HBeAg)
- -Positive hepatitis B e antibody (anti-HBe)
- -Undetectable or low hepatitis B viral DNA levels (eg, <500 IU/mL) in serum

Additional Testing Requirements:

Testing for hepatitis B virus (HBV) DNA (HBVQN / Hepatitis B Virus [HBV] DNA Detection and Quantification by Real-Time PCR, Serum) and surface antigen (HBAGQ / Hepatitis B Virus Surface Antigen, Quantitative, Serum) levels in serum will be helpful in monitoring response to curative antiviral therapy for chronic hepatitis B.

Shipping Instructions:

Ship specimen frozen on dry ice only. If shipment will be delayed for more than 24 hours, freeze serum at -20 degrees to -80 degrees C (up to 60 days) until shipment on dry ice.

Necessary Information:

Collection date is required.

Specimen Requirements:

Collection Container/Tube: Serum gel Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 2 mL Collection Instructions:

- 1. Centrifuge blood collection tube per collection tube manufacturer's instructions (eg, centrifuge and aliquot within 2 hours of collection for BD Vacutainer tubes).
- 2. Transfer serum into aliquot tube.

Specimen Minimum Volume:

0.5 mL

Forms:

f not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send 1 of the following:

- -Gastroenterology and Hepatology Test Request (T728)
- -Infectious Disease Serology Test Request (T916)



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Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container	
Serum	Frozen (preferred)	28 days		
	Refrigerated	14 days		
	Ambient	7 days		

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Туре	Unit	LOINC®
HBCQ2	HBcr Ag, Quantitative, S	Numeric	U/mL	97152-3

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

Supplemental Report:

No

CPT Code Information:

82397

Reference Values:

<1000 U/mL