

**Reporting Title:** HBc Total Ab, S**Performing Location:** Rochester**Ordering Guidance:**

This test should not be used to screen or test pregnant individuals who may or may not have risk factors for hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection. For testing such patients, order HBCPR / Hepatitis B Virus Core Total Antibodies Prenatal, Serum.

This test should not be used to screen or test asymptomatic, non-pregnant individuals with or without risk factors for HBV. For testing such patients, order HBCSN / Hepatitis B Virus Core Total Antibodies Screen, Serum.

If a hepatitis B core total antibody test that reflexes to hepatitis B virus core IgM is needed, order test CORAB / Hepatitis B Virus Core Total Antibodies, with Reflex to Hepatitis B Virus Core Antibody IgM, Serum.

**Necessary Information:**

Date of collection is required.

**Specimen Requirements:**

Patient Preparation: For 24 hours before specimen collection, patient should not take multivitamins or dietary supplements (eg, hair, skin, and nail supplements) containing biotin (vitamin B7).

Supplies: Sarstedt Aliquot Tube, 5 mL (T914)

Collection Container/Tube: Serum gel

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 0.7 mL

Collection Instructions:

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

**Specimen Minimum Volume:**

0.6 mL

**Forms:**

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send 1 of the following forms with the specimen:

-Gastroenterology and Hepatology Test Request (T728)

-Infectious Disease Serology Test Request (T916)

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Serum SST	Frozen (preferred)	90 days	

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	Refrigerated	6 days	
	Ambient	72 hours	

**Result Codes:**

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
HBC	HBc Total Ab, S	Alphanumeric		13952-7

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

**Supplemental Report:**

No

**CPT Code Information:**

86704

**Reference Values:**

Negative

Interpretation depends on clinical setting.  
See Viral Hepatitis Serologic Profiles