

New Test Available
Varicella-Zoster Virus IGM antibody

We are pleased to announce a new service for our healthcare providers. Effective August 17, 2010, Varicella-Zoster Virus IgM antibody testing will be performed at the Core lab.

CLINICAL INFORMATION: Varicella -Zoster virus is a common pathogen of humans. The clinical course of VZV is generally categorized into Varicella (chickenpox) and Herpes zoster (shingles). This test is used as an aid in the diagnosis of primary infection or reactivation.

METHODOLOGY: ELISA

SPECIMEN COLLECTION:

Source: 1 mL serum

Stability: 8 hours at room temperature, 2 days refrigerated, 6 months frozen

Rejection criterion: Hemolysis, Lipemia

PRODUCTION SCHEDULE: Tuesday & Friday

REFERENCE RANGE: \leq 0.90 index value

Interpretation:

Negative: 0.00-0.90 index value

Equivocal: 0.91-1.09 index value

Positive: \geq 1.10 index value

SOFT ORDER CODE: VARGM

CPT CODE: 86787

For further test information, please contact our client services department (800) 937-5521