





Accredite

Hepatitis C

Synonyms

Clinical Indication

Part of Profile / See Also

Request Form

Availability / Frequency of

Analysis

Turnaround Time

Patient Preparation

Sample Requirements

Specimen Type

Volume

Container

HCV

Please give detailed clinical information, including the date of onset/contact with the suspected infection

Screening test for antibodies to Hepatitis C virus.

ICE order comms form (Handwritten request – only if order comms not available).

On request during normal working hours.

3 working days.

Positive samples are confirmed in-house by testing on a second platform. Positive samples are referred to Micropathology Ltd for viral load and genotyping (if not already known).

Samples giving discrepant results in-house are also referred to PHE Cambridge, Addenbrookes for further testing including Viral load if indicated.

Blood

5ml



Yellow top (SST) tube

Positive/Negative



Paediatric Yellow top (SST) tube

Samples should be transported to laboratory immediately.

Grossly haemolysed, contaminated or highly lipaemic samples.

Reference Range & Units

Interferences

Interpretation & Clinical

Decision Value (if applicable)

Interpretative comments are added to the final report.

Consultant microbiologist is informed of confirmed positive results.

References



PF-PTD-175

Test code

HCV

Lab Handling

Store at 2-8°C.