

Parasite Antibodies

Synonyms

Parasite serology

Clinical Indication

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

Please state date of return, duration and exact destination(s) of any recent travel, whether European or elsewhere.

Part of Profile / See Also

Tests for antibodies to various parasites, dependent on the clinical and other information given

Request Form

Microbiology or combined Pathology manual request form or ICE request

Availability / Frequency of Analysis

Referred test: Analysed at London school of hygiene & tropical medicine (LSHTM) based at UCL 7512

On request during normal working hours

Turnaround Time

7 - 10 days

Patient Preparation

Sample Requirements

Specimen Type

Serum

Volume

5 ml

Container



Yellow Top (SST) tube



Paediatric Yellow Top (SST) tube

Samples should be transported to laboratory immediately.

Reference Range & Units

Interferences

Interpretation & Clinical

Decision Value (if applicable)

Presence of IgM antibodies represents acute infection.
 Presence of IgM & IgG antibodies represents developing infection.
 Presence of IgG antibodies represents past or chronic infection.
 Absence of antibodies indicates no previous exposure to the parasite.

References

Test code

PARA

Lab Handling

Aliquot and store at 4°C. Sent to the reference laboratory as soon as possible.