

Specimen Collection and Submission Instructions

Measles IgG, EIA (Version 1)

Page 1 of 2

Specimen Type	Collection Time	Collection Frequency	Collection Procedures	Transport Media	Shipping & Handling (S&H)**
Blood	3 days or greater after onset of symptoms	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collect at least 4 mL of blood in a red top or red-gray top tube. • Minimum serum volume: 1 ml. 	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport device: Red top or red-gray top tube. • Transport: Refrigerate and ship cold (2-8°C) on ice packs to arrive at WAPHL during business hours within one week of collection. If previously frozen, ship on dry ice. Ship as Category B. • Storage: Refrigerate at 2-8°C up to one week after collection. For long-term storage, freeze at -20°C. • Rejection Criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Specimen collected too early (before rash onset). ○ Missing requisition form. ○ No submitter information on form. ○ Specimen is excessively hemolyzed or lipemic. ○ Missing collection date. ○ Missing rash onset date. ○ Missing immunization status of patient. ○ Please see general rejection criteria on page 2.
Serum*					

General Rejection Criteria (for additional details, see S&H)

- Unaccepted specimen type.
- Not refrigerated or frozen properly.
- Insufficient specimen volume.
- Leaky specimen.
- Did not obtain LHJ approval.
- Failure to follow specific S&H requirements.

NOTE:

Specimens will not be processed until ALL of the following information are provided on requisition form:

- Patient name, patient's county of residence, second identifier, and date of onset.
- Two matching identifiers on both the tube and the laboratory requisition form.
- Specimen type, date of collection, and test requested.
- Submitter name, address, and telephone/FAX numbers.

Collection kit availability

Not available.

Comments