

Hepatitis C Quantitative Viral Load, PCR

Order Name: **HCV QT PCR**

Test Number: 5593950

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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
HCV PCR Quantitative IU/mL	Polymerase Chain Reaction	11011-4
HCV PCR Quantitative Log IU/mL	Polymerase Chain Reaction	38180-6

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	2.5 mL (1.5 mL)	Plasma	EDTA (Lavender Top)	Frozen
Alternate 1	2.5 mL (1.5 mL)	Serum	Clot Activator SST	Frozen
Instructions	<p>Preferred Specimen is 2.5 mL (1.5 mL) Plasma or Serum from EDTA (Lavender Top) or Clot Activator SST</p> <p>Centrifuge specimen and separate plasma or serum from cells within 6 hours of collection.</p> <p>Stability: Freshly drawn specimens whole blood may be held at 2 to 30°C for up to 6 hours prior to centrifugation.</p> <p>Serum or plasma specimens may be stored frozen at -20°C or lower for up to 60 days. Avoid multiple freeze/thaws.</p>			

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Testing Schedule	Mon, Wed, Fri
Expected TAT	5-7 Days
Clinical Use	To determine the viral load of HCV.
CPT Code(s)	87522
Lab Section	Molecular Diagnostic