Test Definition: FHV8P

Herpesvirus 8 (HHV-8) DNA, Quantitative Real-Time PCR

Overview

Method Name
Real-Time Polymerase Chain Reaction, RT-PCR

NY State Available
Yes

Specimen

Specimen Type
Varies

Specimen Required
Submit only 1 of the following specimens:

Whole Blood

Specimen Type: Whole Blood
Container/Tube: Lavender-top (EDTA)
Specimen Volume: 1 mL
Collection Instructions: Draw blood in a lavender-top (EDTA) tube and send 1 mL EDTA whole blood refrigerated.
Stability: Ambient 48 hours; Refrigerated 7 days: Frozen Unacceptable

Serum

Specimen Type: Serum
Collection Container/Tube: Red-top
Submission Container/Tube: 12x75 mm screw-capped vial
Specimen Volume: 1 mL
Collection Instructions: Draw blood in a plain red-top tube(s). Spin down and send 1 mL serum in a plastic, screw-capped vial. Send specimen refrigerated.
Stability: Ambient 48 hours; Refrigerated 7 days, Frozen 30 days

Plasma

Collection Container/Tube: lavender-top (EDTA), or PPT (white-top) tube
Submission Container/Tube: 12x57 mm screw-capped vial
Specimen Volume: 1 mL
Collection Instructions: Draw blood in lavender-top (EDTA) tube(s). Spin down and transfer 1 mL EDTA plasma into a

plastic, screw-capped vial. Send specimen refrigerated.
Stability: Ambient 48 hours; Refrigerated 7 days; Frozen 30 days

Specimen Minimum Volume
0.5 mL

Reject Due To

Thawing:	Cold OK; Warm reject
Other reasons for rejection	Sodium heparin, Lithium heparin, ACD tubes, or Frozen Whole Blood

Specimen Stability Information

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Varies	Refrigerated (preferred)	7 days	
	Ambient	48 hours	
	Frozen	30 days	

Clinical & Interpretive

Clinical Information
Herpesvirus 8 (HHV-8) DNA, Quantitative Real-Time PCR-Human herpesvirus-8 (HHV-8) is associated with the development of all forms of Kaposi's sarcoma, as well as some other rare lymphoproliferative diseases, such as primary effusion lymphoma and multicentric Castleman's disease. Quantitative PCR may be used to monitor the level of viremia in a patient, often in the context of therapy.

Reference Values
Not Detected

Performance

PDF Report
No

Day(s) Performed
Monday through Sunday

Report Available
3 to 6 days

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Performing Laboratory Location

Quest Diagnostics

Fees & Codes

Fees

- Authorized users can sign in to Test Prices for detailed fee information.
- Clients without access to Test Prices can contact Customer Service 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Prospective clients should contact their account representative. For assistance, contact Customer Service.

Test Classification

This test was developed and its analytical performance characteristics have been determined by Quest Diagnostics. It has not been cleared or approved by FDA. This assay has been validated pursuant to the CLIA regulations and is used for clinical purposes.

CPT Code Information

87799

LOINC® Information

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC® Value
FHV8P	Herpes Virus 8 DNA, Quant RT-PCR	49406-2

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC® Value
Z6082	Source	31208-2
Z6083	Herpesvirus 8 DNA, QN PCR	49406-2
Z6084	Herpesvirus 8 DNA, QN PCR	100684-0