

Notification Date: August 16, 2021 Effective Date: September 14, 2021

Histoplasma Antigen, Quantitative Enzyme Immunoassay, Random, Urine

Test ID: HSTQU

Useful for:

Aiding in the diagnosis of Histoplasma capsulatum infection

• Monitoring Histoplasma antigen levels in urine

Methods:

Enzyme Immunoassay (EIA)

Reference Values:

Histoplasma Antigen result Not detected

Histoplasma Antigen Value

Not detected

Detected: <0.2 ng/mL Detected: 0.2-25.0 ng/mL Detected: >25.0 ng/mL

Specimen Requirements:

Supplies: Aliquot Tube, 5 mL (T465)

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 4 mL

Specimen Minimum Volume: 2.5 mL

Collection Instructions: 1. Collect a random urine specimen.

2. No preservative.

3. **Do not centrifuge** to remove particulates.

Specimen Stability Information:

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Urine	Refrigerated (preferred)	14 days
	Ambient	3 days
	Frozen	31 days

Cautions:

- Cross-reactivity with other fungal infections, including *Blastomyces dermatitidis*, may occur. Positive results should be correlated with other clinical and laboratory findings (eg, culture, serology).
- Low-level positive titers may persist following resolution of infection and completion of appropriate treatment regimen.
- Turbid urine specimens, containing excess protein, cells, or particulate matter, can inhibit the function of the test.

CPT Code:

87385

Day(s) Performed:

Monday through Sunday.

Analytic Time:

Same day/1 day

Questions

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