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HANTAVIRUS TOTAL ANTIBODY

Synonym(s): Hantavirus Ab

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Specimen Required	 3 – 5 mL plain blood. To diagnose acute infection, send paired sera taken two weeks apart for Hantavirus total Ab.
Storage and Transport	Refrigerate samples if delay in transporting to laboratory is anticipated. Do not freeze.
Method	Immunofluorescence assay
Test Result	Acute infection : Paired sera showing \geq 4 fold rise of total Ab titres
Turnaround Time	1 - 4 days
Day(s) Test Set up	Tuesday and Friday

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