



## MUMPS ANTIGEN

**Synonym(s):** Mumps Ag IF

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<b>Lab Section Category</b>	<b>Virology</b> Click here to find out more about the <b>write-up</b> ( <a href="/clinical-departments-centers/pathology/pathology-handbook/lab-discipline-special-instructions/pages/virology.aspx">/clinical-departments-centers/pathology/pathology-handbook/lab-discipline-special-instructions/pages/virology.aspx</a> ).
<b>Specimen Required</b>	Nasopharyngeal aspirate or saliva in 1 – 2 mL sterile saline  CSF (1 – 2 mL, without saline) if neurological symptoms present  As direct antigen detection is less sensitive than isolation for mumps, saliva should be sent in virus transport medium so that isolation can be carried out on the sample at the same time.
<b>Storage and Transport</b>	Refrigerate samples until transport to laboratory. <b>Do not freeze.</b>  Transport samples on ice pack to laboratory.
<b>Method</b>	Immunofluorescence assay
<b>Test Result</b>	Reported as Negative or Positive
<b>Turnaround Time</b>	<1 – 2 days
<b>Day(s) Test Set up</b>	Monday - Saturday

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