

Hepatitis C Quantitative Viral Load, PCR

Order Name: **HCV QT PCR**

Test Number: 5593950

Revision Date: 12/12/2022

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

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