

Analysis available (latest information can be found at www.delphicdiagnostics.com)

Nucleoside analogue: Ribavirin

NtRTI: Tenofovir

Samples

Blood samples should be collected in EDTA tubes and **plasma obtained by centrifugation** within 4h of collection. The minimum plasma sample volume required is 1 ml. Please do not overfill tubes and allow for expansion on freezing. Please use 1.5 ml screw top tubes (~48 mm x 13 mm) as these are optimal for our freezer racking.

A trough sample should be taken as close to the end of the dosing interval as possible (i.e. at 12h for a bd regimen and 24h for an od regimen).

Sample storage

If collection and transport of the samples is to occur on the same day, the samples should be kept in a fridge at 4°C prior to transport. If transport is to be later than 24h after collection, plasma may be stored at -20°C (or lower) and allowed to thaw in transit.

Test request form

Please ensure that you complete the test request form as thoroughly as possible to aid us in the interpretation of the results. Please ensure that the samples are anonymised and that the full name of the patient does not appear on the form or the sample tube(s). Do not staple the form to sample bags as this presents a hazard in the laboratory. Ensure that the form is signed by the requesting physician. The form is available from our website at www.delphicdiagnostics.com.

Transport

We are a member of the DX service and samples may be sent Monday-Thursday. Samples may be sent using First Class post or by courier as long as all the requirements for the packaging of diagnostic specimens and, where relevant, dry ice are met. Please post early in the week (Monday-Wednesday) so packages do not remain in transit or storage over the weekend.

Results

Samples will be analysed as soon as possible and within 14 working days. Results will be emailed as PDF files to the recipients nominated on the Account Set-up form.

Delivery address

1st Class post

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