

Memo

To: AML Reference Laboratory Clients
From: Allina Medical Laboratories, Reference Laboratory Services
Date: April 21, 2008
Re: Epstein Barr Viral Capsid Testing Specimen Processing & Transport Changes

Please note that both the Specimen Processing and Transport/Stability information for the EBV VCA IGG (2809/EVG) and EBV VCA IGM (2810/EVM) in our on line Collection Manual have been changed. Each of these tests previously instructed clients to spin and separate the serum, and to transport to AML at refrigerated temperatures.

Because specimens for these tests must be transported to Mayo Medical Laboratories - New England for testing, the transport temperature has been updated to reflect that the specimens must be submitted frozen.

An alternative to these two tests is the EBV AB IGG, IGM & EBNA (1809/EBV). This test includes the IgG and IgM as well as the Capsid Ag. It is performed at Mayo Medical Laboratories (MML) Rochester Campus, allowing a faster turn around time than the above testing.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your AML Account Representative.