SPECIMEN SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

HIV Diagnostics and Reference Laboratory, Diagnostics and Countermeasures Branch Center for Infectious Disease Research Walter Reed Army Institute of Research 508 Research Dr., Silver Spring, MD, 20910

Molecular Aptima HIV-1 Quantitative Dx in CSF Test Request Form

This test has not been cleared or approved by the FDA for quantitative detection of HIV-1 RNA in CSF samples.

Consultation with the Laboratory Director is required before ordering CSF HIV RNA (301) 319 -3123

Test Requested	Specimen Requirement	Draw Tube	Shipping Conditions
□ Quant HIV-1 (Viral Load)	□ 2 ml CSF	Collect 2 mL CSF in a sterile screw-capped container. Ship CSF frozen.	Frozen -80°C – Ship frozen aliquoted specimen with dry ice if specimen will be received at HDRL after 24 hours of collection. When shipping frozen, use 2+ lbs. dry ice per day of transport. Shipment with an additional 6 lbs. of dry ice is recommended in case of shipment delay.

Please fill the request form completely to ensure timely specimen processing.

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION	CONTACT INFORMATION		
Patient identifiers <u>MUST INCLUDE</u> :	POC		
Full Name	Physician Name Clinic / Center Center Address		
DoDIDOR			
FMP/SSN			
DOB	Fax Number (Commercial # only; please include area/country code)		
Ship Date:	Alternate POC Name Alternate POC Phone		
PROCESSING LABORATORY (For HDRL use only)			
BARCODE	DATE RECEIVED QUANTITY & TYPE RECEIVED / INITIALS		

Fax/Email a FedEx tracking and/or invoice number to ensure all shipments sent to the HIV Diagnostics and Reference Laboratory are received, IAW CAP GEN.40530
Shipping Address: 508 Research Dr., Silver Spring, MD, 20910

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