

**SPECIMEN SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**  
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***Hepatitis B Surface Antigen (HBsAg) Confirmatory Assay Test Specification***

<b>Test Name: Hepatitis B Surface Antigen (HBsAg) Confirmatory Assay</b>				
<b>Clinical Significance</b>	<b>Specimen Requirements</b>	<b>Transport/Storage Temperature</b>	<b>Test Approved For</b>	<b>Turn Around Time (After Receipt at HDRL)</b>
<p>The GS HBsAg Confirmatory Assay 3.0 is a qualitative assay intended for the confirmation of HBsAg repeat reactive specimens detected by the GS HBsAg EIA 3.0 assay.</p> <p>Test employed: licensed commercially available: Bio-Rad GS HBsAg Confirmatory Assay 3.0</p> <p>Reference Range: Negative</p>	<p>3 ml Serum or Plasma</p> <p>Acceptable anticoagulants: EDTA, heparin, sodium citrate, CPDA-1, ACD</p>	<p>Shipping:  Ambient (15-30°C)  Refrigerated (2-8°C)  Frozen (-20°C)</p> <p><b>Ship frozen if sample will not be received at HDRL within 48 hours at HDRL.</b></p> <p>When shipping frozen, use 2+ lbs. dry ice per day of transport. Shipment on 6 lbs. additional dry ice is recommended in case of shipment delay.</p>	<p>GS HBsAg Confirmatory Assay 3.0 is FDA approved as a neutralization procedure for confirmatory testing of repeat reactive HBsAg EIA samples.</p>	<p>5 business days</p>
<p>Note: Test performed on HBsAg EIA repeatedly reactive specimens per CDC guidelines</p>				

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