Orderable – HIVLOAD
Turnaround Time:  Up to 6 days

Specimen and Collection Information:

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HIV Viral Load

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<td>Whole blood</td>
<td>2 x 4mL</td>
<td>EDTA (lavender) vacutainer tubes</td>
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<td>Plasma</td>
<td>2.5 mL frozen plasma</td>
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Critical Information Required:

Ensure a Public Health Laboratory HIV Viral Load Requisition accompanies the sample. Include treatment information if applicable.

Public Health Laboratory Requisition must be filled out completely or testing will not be performed.

Special Processing:

Specimen must be received in lab within 6 hours of collection.

Sample must be spun, separated and frozen within 6 hours. Document time on the accompanying requisition.

Comments:

This assay is not intended to be used as a screening test for HIV-1 or as a diagnostic test to confirm the presence of HIV-1 infection.

Storage and Shipment:

Must be received in lab within 6 hours of collection.