

POWASSAN VIRUS PCR

Orderable - ARBOPCR

Turnaround Time: 28 days

Specimen Type and Collection Information:

Please review the Public Health Ontario Laboratory Test Information Index:

[Powassan Virus](#)

Specimen Type	Minimum Volume	Collection Kit
Plasma	1.0 mL	Purple Vacutainer (EDTA)
CSF + paired serum sample	400 UL	Sterile Container + Gold Vacutainer (SST)



Laboratory:
Microbiology



Requisition:
[Arbovirus \(Non-Zika\) Information Intake Form](#)
This requisition **MUST** accompany the specimen



Method of Analysis:
PCR

Special Processing:

Testing must be approved by the Microbiologist on-call.



Test Schedule:
Referred out weekdays

Critical Information Required:

Ensure the Arbovirus Information Intake form includes the following:

- Relevant travel history
- Onset date



Referred to:
Public Health Ontario
Laboratory
1200 Commissioners Rd E
London, Ontario
519-455-9310

Specify **Powassan** in the **Specimen Description** field when placing order in PowerChart and on the Arbovirus Information Intake form.

Storage and Shipment:

The specimen must be refrigerated.
The specimen must be received within 24 hours of collection.