

COVID (SARS-Cov 2) Testing Options

MOLECULAR (RT-PCR)

Detects genetic material of the virus. It's the Gold Standard and the most accurate test, but takes longer for results to process.

ANTIGEN

Detects proteins that are part of the virus. They are less accurate but process faster than Molecular tests.

ANTIBODY

Checks immune system for antibodies proteins that would show if you have had a previous infection.



HOW THE SAMPLE IS TAKEN

Mid-nasal swab
(no brain-tickling here)

Nasopharyngeal

On-Site Rapid Serum IgM/IgG
Finger stick

Lab-Sent Serum IgM/IgG
Blood draw



HOW LONG IT TAKES TO GET RESULTS

Lab-Sent
1-7 days, based on outside lab volume. Sent to CHOC, LabCorp, Sharp, Quest or WestPacific.

On-Site Rapid Antigen²
15-minute processing time
Same-day results

On-Site Rapid Serum IgM/IgG³
5-15 minutes processing time Same-day results

On-site Rapid Molecular¹
30-min process time. Same-day results

Lab-Sent Serum IgM/IgG
Results¹ - 5 days based on lab volume



ACCURACY

This test is highly accurate and usually does not need to be repeated

Positive results are usually highly accurate, but negative results are around 80% accurate and may need to be confirmed with a molecular test

Over 95% sensitivity and specificity depending on infection onset. Results are most accurate after 11+ days from COVID-19 infection onset.



WHAT IT CAN'T DO

Show if you ever had COVID-19 or were infected with COVID-19 in the past

Antigen tests are more likely to miss an active infection compared to molecular tests.

Diagnose active coronavirus infection at the time of the test or show that you do not have COVID-19



COST & INSURANCE

Lab-Sent
Submitted to insurance

On-Site Rapid Antigen
\$150 Not submitted to insurance

On-Site Rapid Serum IgM/IgG
\$50 Not submitted to insurance

On-Site Rapid Molecular
\$250 Not submitted to insurance

Lab-Sent Serum IgM/IgG
\$120 Not submitted to insurance



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

All molecular and antigen diagnostic tests require an order from a Marque Medical Provider. This can be done at a testing site or through a virtual visit made online at MarqueMedical.com. Many insurance plans waive cost-sharing for the evaluation and diagnostic lab-sent testing if the patient is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and/or considered high-risk with confirmed exposure. Most plans are not covering COVID screenings for non-symptomatic patients or elective testing such as travel, work or school clearance, or non-confirmed suspected exposure. Check your insurance plan for coverage as you may have applicable cost-sharing for the evaluation and/or lab-sent testing.

¹ FDA Authorized under EUA. Accula SARS-Cov 2 Test, Mesa Biotech Inc., San Diego

² FDA Authorized under EUA. CareStart COVID-19 Antigen Access Bio, Inc., Somerset, NJ.

³ FDA Authorized under EUA. Biohit SARS-CoV-2 IgM/IgG Antibody Test