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Specimen Collection and Transportation Information

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Qualitative HCV PCR	HCVPCR	Molecular Pathology	Serum

- **Preparation of the Patient:** NA
- **Type of Collection Container:** Gel tube
- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** NA
- **Quantity of Specimen to be Collected:** 10 ml
 - **Minimum Quantity:** NA
- **Transportation Temperature:** Serum should be transported in frozen condition with dry ice
- **Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable):** NA
- **Specimen Stability Information:** Serum 2-8°C up to 72 hours, -80°C up to 1 month
- **Special Instruction:** NA
- **Rejection Criteria:**
 - a) Hemolysis/ clotted
 - b) Leaky Container
 - c) In appropriate container
 - d) Improper labeled specimen
 - e) In adequate volume of specimen
 - f) Wrong source
 - g) Improper transportation temperature
 - h) Contaminated specimen with biological hazardous material
- **Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history):** NA



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Methodology	Reporting Scheme	Day Performed	Cut Off Time Main Lab	Cut Off Time Karachi Points	Cut Off Time Out of Karachi Points
Real Time PCR	Perform Monday To Saturday, Report After 01 Day Except Sunday	Daily	0.01	10:00	Contact Nearest Collection Points