



آغا خان یونیورسٹی ہسپتال

The Aga Khan University Hospital
Clinical Laboratories

Specimen Collection and Transportation Information

Test Name	Mnemonic	Section	Specimen Type
Human Immunodeficiency Virus By Western Blot	CU	Clinical Chemistry	Serum

- **Preparation of the Patient:** NA
- **Type of Collection Container:** Plain tube or Gel Tube (yellow top)
- **Types and Amounts of Preservatives or Anticoagulants:** NA
- **Quantity of Specimen to be Collected:** 3-5cc
Minimum Quantity: 3cc
- **Transportation Temperature:** 18-25°C for 8 hours, 2-8 °C after 8 hours to 7 days , after 7 days at - 20°C
- **Need for Special Timing for Collection (where applicable):** NA
- **Specimen Stability Information:** If the assay is performed within 7 days of sample collection, the samples should be kept at 2-8°C; otherwise they should be aliquotted and stored deep-frozen (-20°C or below) for long period.
- **Special Instruction:** NA
- **Rejection Criteria:** Wrong Tube, QNS, Grossly Hemolysed, Wrong identification.
- **Need for Appropriate Clinical Data, When Indicated (Patient history):** Not Required

Methodology	Reporting Scheme	Day Performed	Cut Off Time Main Lab	Cut Off Time Karachi Points	Cut Off Time Out of Karachi Points
Western Blot	After two days	2 nd & 4 th Wednesday	12:01am	12:01am	12:01am