

## — Infections

Infectious diseases are disorders caused by organisms; such as bacteria, viruses, fungi or parasites. Many organisms live in and on our bodies. They're normally harmless or even helpful, but some organisms ... [See more](#)

### Viral Infections

Viruses are capsules with genetic material inside. They are very tiny, much smaller than bacteria. Viruses cause familiar infectious diseases such as the common cold, flu and warts but they can also cause ... [See more](#)

MEASLES ANTIBO...

<1:20

(titer)

Range: See Comments

### MEASLES ANTIBODY (IGM)

(titer)

#### Result Comments

Titer	Interpretation
<1:20	Antibody Not Detected
> or =1:20	Antibody Detected

The traditional serologic diagnosis of measles requires a significant rise in antibody titer between acute and convalescent sera. However, detection of IgM antibody in a single specimen may indicate acute disease. Correct interpretation of serologic data depends upon the proper timing of specimen collection in relation to rash onset. This timing is particularly important for interpreting negative IgM results, since IgM antibody peaks approximately 10 days after rash onset and is usually undetectable 30 days after rash onset.

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