

# SARS-CoV-2 IgG Antibody Test

## SARS-CoV-2 IgG Antibody Testing is Now Available at Wisconsin Diagnostic Laboratories (WDL)

### Intended use:

Antibody testing (also called serology testing) is intended to help identify individuals who have developed antibodies against SARS-CoV-2. A positive result is evidence of prior infection with this virus. Infection may be symptomatic or asymptomatic.

#### **Test Performance:**

Testing performed at WDL has shown high sensitivity (~99% by day 14 after contracting the virus) and specificity (99.2 - 99.8%) for SARS-CoV-2. This test qualitatively detects IgG antibody.

 Positive antibody results are seen in most immunocompetent individuals by day 14 after contracting the virus.



 Prevalence plays an important role in test results. The risk of false-positive results is greater when disease prevalence is low. The higher the prevalence, the less chance of a false-positive result. Always consider local prevalence information, as it becomes available, when interpreting results.

#### Acute Infection and Immunity:

- **Do not** use antibody testing to diagnose acute infection. Studies performed at WDL have demonstrated less than 50% sensitivity when used for diagnosis of acute COVID-19 disease.
- It is currently unknown if the presence of antibodies indicates immunity to SARS-CoV-2.

#### **Test Details:**

Test Name	Mnemonic	Test Code	Epic Code	CPT Code	Collect
SARS-CoV-2 IgG Antibody	COVID IGG	4500870	LAB125	86769	Gold-top SST (Preferred) or Light Green-top PST or Lavender-top EDTA

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