

Histoplasma antibodies

General:

The highly infectious dimorphic fungus *Histoplasma capsulatum* occurs endemically in the Western part of the USA and can be found in soil, often in bird excrements and at bat nesting sites. After inhalation of the infectious dust the symptoms manifest predominantly in the lung, but can also affect other organs. More frequently observed in immunodeficient patients.

Indication: Unclear pneumonia e.g. in immune deficiency.

Material: 1 ml serum

TAT: 10-14 days*

Method: RID

Ref.- range: see report

Note: Blood collection before histoplasmin skin test.

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